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VETERAN EXECUTIVE OF TIME LIFE BOOKS, IBM, SEARS TO LEAD GPO'S NEW SECURITY DOCUMENTS UNIT

Washington, D.C.-The U.S. Government Printing Office, which recently announced it would reorganize its operations around six strategic business lines, said today the newly formed Security and Intelligent Documents operation would be headed by seasoned executive Clarence Jellen.

"In the post 9/11 era the GPO is working closely with Congress and other Federal agencies to develop and implement smart documents such as passports, travel documents, and immigration forms that will incorporate electronic security for fraud and counterfeit protocols," said Bruce James, Public Printer of the United States.

Jellen will build the newly formed GPO unit, while working on specific programs such as passports, Smart Cards, RFID, supply chain management and printed visitor badging systems. "For more than a century, the GPO has provided a wide range of security products to Federal agencies as part of its mission," said Jellen. "I am honored to be leading this effort at the GPO for the safety of our citizens."

Jellen received his undergraduate degree in Marketing and International Economics and MBA in Finance and Marketing from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He began his career at IBM where he became International Programs Manager at Satellite Business Systems and later served as Vice President of Marketing for Sears Communications Company, Chicago, IL and as President of both Time Life Books and Time Life Direct in Alexandria, VA. He joined the GPO in September 2003 as a Consultant in the Office of New Business Development.

The Security and Intelligent Documents unit is one of six business lines to be newly created at the GPO in order to better serve the needs of GPO's customers in Congress, Federal agencies and the public. The other five include: Digital Media Services, Library Services and Content Management, Publication and Information Products, Official Journals of Government, and Customer and Printing Services.

For more information on the new business lines or about other areas of the GPO, please visit www.gpo.gov and review the GPO's 2004 Annual Report and Strategic Vision.