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GPO'S POLICE CHIEF GRADUATES FROM THE FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY

WASHINGTON— The U.S. Government Printing Office's (GPO) Police Chief John Butler was invited to be part of the FBI's National Academy Program at Quantico, Virginia. Chief Butler was one of 250 law enforcement officers who graduated from the ten-week program, which includes advanced investigative, management and fitness training for officers with proven law enforcement records. The graduates are members of law enforcement agencies from 23 international countries, federal agencies and military organizations. Butler is one of the nearly 43,000 graduates of the FBI National Academy since it began in 1935.

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"GPO congratulates Chief Butler for completing one of the most prestigious law enforcement training programs in the world," said Public Printer Bob Tapella.

Butler directs, supervises and manages all operations of GPO's Uniformed Police Branch. His responsibilities include developing the agency's law enforcement and emergency preparedness plans. For example, Butler spearheaded the security plan for GPO's production of the official Inauguration tickets and materials. Before coming to GPO in 2007, Butler was a member of the Pentagon Police Department and was on duty at the time of the 9-11 terrorist attack. He was part of the Evidence Recovery Unit following the attack on the Pentagon. Butler began his law enforcement career with the U.S. Border Patrol in 1988. He is a graduate of San Diego State University and a native of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

"John has brought a wealth of law enforcement experience to GPO and this accomplishment just adds to the expertise and knowledge he will instill in our police force," said LaMont Vernon, GPO's Director of Security Programs.

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