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## GPO HONORED FOR PRODUCTION OF SECURE BORDER CREDENTIAL

WASHINGTON— The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) received top honors at *Government Security News*' annual Homeland Security Awards competition. GPO won in the 'Most Effective Border Security Program, Project or Agency' category for its design, production and personalization of the Trusted Traveler Program cards. GPO has produced nearly 700,000 cards for the Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection (CBP). GPO was honored alongside private sector companies and other Federal, state and local Government agencies who have demonstrated excellence and innovation in securing the homeland.

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"I am honored and humbled to accept this award on behalf of the GPO employees who have worked tirelessly to produce these credentials and meet the mission set forth by Customs and Border Protection," said Steve LeBlanc, GPO's Managing Director for Security and Intelligent Documents. "GPO's expertise in design, electronics and printed security features ensures that these secure cards will help CBP secure the nation's borders."

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Trusted Traveler Program cards (NEXUS, SENTRI and FAST) give the bearer faster service in crossing America's northern and southern borders. The card gives travelers the convenience of expedited CBP processing through specially marked lanes at border crossings, similar to the E-Z pass on toll roads. GPO has become a state-of-the-art provider for secure federal credentials. All cards are produced with a secure supply chain under secure Government control. GPO has also been producing the U.S. passport for the Department of State since the 1920s. GPO employees at secure plants in Washington, D.C. and Stennis, Mississippi have produced nearly six million passports in the last six months alone to meet the demand of the American people.

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