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## **GPO AGAIN NAMED ONE OF THE TOP ORIGINAL CATALOGERS IN THE WORLD**

WASHINGTON –The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO) has once again been named one of the top 10 online original catalogers in the world in OCLC’s Annual Report for FY15. During that period, GPO added 11,036 new, original records for U.S. Government information products to WorldCat, which is the world's largest network of library content and services.

As one of the founding members of the OCLC network, GPO has reached several important milestones as an active contributor to WorldCat over the years. In 1992, a GPO Cataloger contributed the 100,000th record to the OCLC Bibliographic Database, and in 1999, another GPO cataloger contributed the 43,000,000th record.

“I am very proud of the efforts of GPO’s catalogers in making Government documents accessible to the public,” said GPO Director Davita Vance-Cooks. “Through our membership in the OCLC, GPO has measurably increased the reach of Government information to libraries and communities around the globe.”

About OCLC: Founded in 1967 as the Ohio College Library Center, OCLC is a nonprofit, membership, computer library service and research organization dedicated to the public purposes of furthering access to the world’s information and reducing library costs. Libraries around the world use OCLC services to locate, acquire, catalog, lend, preserve and manage library materials. Researchers, students, faculty, scholars, professional librarians and other information seekers use OCLC services to obtain bibliographic, abstract and full-text information when and where they need it. OCLC and its member libraries cooperatively produce and maintain WorldCat—the OCLC Online Union Catalog.

GPO is the Federal Government’s official, digital, secure resource for producing, procuring, cataloging, indexing, authenticating, disseminating, and preserving the official information products of the U.S. Government. The GPO is responsible for the production and distribution of information products and services for all three branches of the Federal Government, including U.S. passports for the Department of State as well as the official publications of Congress, the White House, and other Federal agencies in digital and print formats. GPO provides for permanent public access to Federal Government information at no charge through our Federal Digital System ([www.fdsys.gov](http://www.fdsys.gov)), partnerships with approximately 1,200 libraries nationwide participating in the Federal Depository Library Program, and our secure online bookstore. For more information, please visit [www.gpo.gov](http://www.gpo.gov).

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