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## U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE PROVIDES PUBLIC ACCESS TO STARR REPORT IN PRINT AND ELECTRONIC FORMATS

The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) began providing public access to the Starr report on Friday, September 11, 1998, following the enactment of U.S. House of Representatives Resolution 525 authorizing public disclosure. The formal title of this document is *Communication from Kenneth W. Starr, Independent Counsel, Transmitting a Referral to the United States House of Representatives Filed in Conformity with the Requirements of Title 28, United States Code, Section 595(c)*.

The Starr Report was made available on GPO Access, GPO's online Internet service at **[www.access.gpo.gov](http://www.access.gpo.gov)**. At the request of the House, GPO established a special URL for the report at **[www.access.gpo.gov/congress/icreport](http://www.access.gpo.gov/congress/icreport)**. GPO went live with the report on September 11 within a half hour of obtaining a CD-ROM disc containing certified HTML files from the House. Because of heavy Internet traffic, GPO set up a second URL solely for the report, at **<http://icreport.access.gpo.gov/report/1cover.htm>**. **On September 11 and 12, there were more than 569,000 visitors to GPO Access.**

GPO also made the White House preliminary and initial responses to the Starr Report available on *GPO Access*. These went live on September 11 and 12, respectively, at the same URL's provided for the Starr Report.

In addition to placing the Starr Report online, GPO was requested by the House to provide 500 loose-leaf copies of the report for House Members. These copies were delivered as they were completed, with the final copies delivered by early evening, September 11.

In accordance with the House resolution, GPO printed the Starr Report as House Document 105-310. ***This is the official, authentic copy of the report.***

The document was received from the House in WordPerfect 6.0 format at about 3 p.m. September 11. It was converted through GPO's composition system, galley proofs were produced and checked against a copy of the original document, then approximately 13,000 copies were printed on GPO's group 86 web offset presses. The publication went to press at 5 a.m. September 12. Print production, including adhesive binding, was completed by 10 a.m. The final product measures 5 5/8 x 9 1/8 and weighs approximately half a pound. A total of 1,800 copies were delivered to Congress; 1,400 copies were produced for GPO's depository library program; and 9,500 copies were produced for GPO's sales program. Delivery began at 10:00 a.m. September 12.

GPO put the Starr Report on sale in its central office bookstore at noon on September 12, at a price of \$14 each. At the time the doors opened, the line of people waiting to enter the store stretched to the end of the block. Copies were shipped overnight to GPO's 23 bookstores around the Nation for sale beginning the following Monday, September 14. Additional copies were delivered to GPO's Laurel, MD, office for filling sales mail orders.

Orders for copies of the Starr Report must cite the Superintendent of Documents stock number, 052-071-01271-1. Copies can be obtained by calling GPO's sales mail order number, 202-512-1800 (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern time weekdays). Orders may be faxed to 202-512-2250 (24 hours a day). Orders can also be sent to: Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954. GPO accepts VISA, MasterCard, and the Discover/NOVUS card. Mail orders must include either credit card information or a check payable to the Superintendent of Documents. A 25 percent discount is available for bookdealers or bulk orders of 100 copies or more. Overnight shipping is available at an additional charge.

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