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GIRL SCOUTS GO TECH AT THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

WASHINGTON—For the second year in a row, dozens of Girl Scouts will get hands-on experience in computers, graphic design, and printing at the U.S. Government Printing Office, as they participate in *Girls Go Tech™ at the GPO* on Monday.

WHO: Approximately 100 Girl Scouts, Girl Scout Leaders and volunteers representing 13 troops from the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital (covering the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia) will be at the GPO for the day-long event. The Girl Scouts, ranging in ages between 11 and 17, will participate in planned activities designed to help them earn their Graphic Communications Interest Project Patch and a participation patch.

WHAT: *Bridging the Gap: Girls Go Tech™ at the GPO*
The Girl Scouts have launched a national campaign called *Girls Go Tech™* that encourages young women to explore the fields of math, science, and technology. In line with the campaign's aim, GPO has designed an event to share its vision of the future and encourage the Girl Scouts to seize the technological opportunities and challenges of the 21st century. At *Girls Go Tech™ at the GPO*, the girls will spend the day rotating through different sessions. (Please see available time slot for press below). Some sessions, like the printing tour, will give a background of GPO's history and highlight some of the distinguishing qualities of print. At others, the girls will learn about how GPO provides the public with information and the various components of Internet design. Other sessions will be dedicated to the modern GPO and its transition to the future through digital media.

WHEN: **Monday, August 15, 2005**
10 a.m. EST

WHERE: U.S. Government Printing Office
710 North Capitol Street NW (Corner of North Capitol and G Streets)
Washington, DC 20401
Meet in lobby

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THE GPO:**

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