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GPO PRINTS PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA'S OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH

The Public can Purchase the Photo

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) prints the official photographs of President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden. These photographs will be hung in more than 7,000 federal installations managed by the General Services Administration (GSA). GPO will print more than 130,000 photographs, which include three sizes: 8 x 10, 11 x 14 and 20 x 24. GPO is making these official photographs available to the public to own.

Orders are being taken at GPO's Online Bookstore: <http://bookstore.gpo.gov/collections/inaugural-2009.jsp>

"The men and women of GPO are honored and proud to be producing a piece of history that will hang in federal facilities throughout the country," said Public Printer Bob Tapella.

This is the first time The White House has taken the President's official photograph digitally. GPO used its digital capabilities to produce the photograph of President Obama. Employees transferred the digital image from a computer to a printing plate and finally to one of GPO's four color presses, which produced a high quality product. The President's photograph is printed on paper containing recycled content and fiber from a sustainably managed forest.

"GPO is always on the cutting edge of technology," said Tapella. "Whether the order is in print or digital form, our employees are using the latest technologies to provide customers with the highest quality product available."

Members of the news media wishing to get pictures and B-Roll of the printing process, please contact Gary Somerset in GPO's Public Relations Office.

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