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ACTING PUBLIC PRINTER TO ADDRESS NATION'S LIBRARIES

WHO:

Acting Public Printer Davita Vance-Cooks

Link to bio: <http://www.gpo.gov/pdfs/about/Vance-Cooksbio.pdf>

WHAT:

Davita Vance-Cooks, Acting Public Printer and the head of the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), will address hundreds of librarians from around country at the 2012 Depository Library Council Meeting and Federal Depository Library Conference. Through the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP), GPO partners with 1,200 libraries nationwide to provide the public with access to official Government information in both digital and print formats. Vance-Cooks will speak about the FDLP's important role in helping GPO serve as the official link between the public and the Federal Government. Federal depository libraries provide essential services to their communities by assisting patrons in accessing the official publications of the three branches of the Federal Government.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Depository Library Act of 1962, landmark legislation that expanded the scope of Federal publications distributed to depository libraries and created the current system of regional and selective depository libraries nationwide. The act resulted in a vast increase in the libraries participating in the FDLP and more publications being distributed to each library, thus providing the public with greater access to Government information. This year also marks the 40th anniversary of the creation of the Depository Library Council to the Public Printer. The council serves as an advisory committee to the Public Printer and the Superintendent of Documents.

WHEN:

Monday, October 15, 2012

10:30 a.m. EST

WHERE:

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel

300 Army Navy Drive

Arlington, VA 22202

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