

The GEO Group Signs Contract for the Continued Management of Northwest Detention Center

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BOCA RATON, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- **The GEO Group (NYSE: GEO)** ("GEO") announced today the signing of a new contract with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") for the continued management of the company-owned, 1,575-bed Northwest Detention Center (the "Center") in Tacoma, Washington. The contract for the continued management of the Center will have a term of nine years and six months inclusive of renewal options. The Center is expected to generate approximately \$57 million in annualized revenues at full occupancy.

George C. Zoley, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of GEO, said: "We appreciate the confidence placed in our company by U.S. Immigrations and Customs Enforcement which is a testament to our partnership with the agency that dates back to the 1980s. The Northwest Detention Center plays an important role in helping meet the need for federal detention bed space, and we look forward to strengthening our long-standing public-private partnership."

The GEO Group, Inc. (NYSE: GEO) is the first fully integrated equity real estate investment trust specializing in the design, financing, development, and operation of correctional, detention, and community reentry facilities around the globe. GEO is the world's leading provider of diversified correctional, detention, community reentry, and electronic monitoring services to government agencies worldwide with operations in the United States, Australia, South Africa, and the United Kingdom. GEO's worldwide operations include the ownership and/or management of 104 facilities totaling approximately 84,000 beds, including projects under development, with a growing workforce of approximately 20,000 professionals.

This press release contains forward-looking statements regarding future events and future performance of GEO that involve risks and uncertainties that could materially affect actual results, including statements regarding estimated earnings, revenues and costs and our ability to maintain growth and strengthen contract relationships. Factors that could cause actual results to vary from current expectations and forward-looking statements contained in this press release include, but are not limited to: (1) GEO's ability to successfully pursue further growth and continue to enhance shareholder value; (2) GEO's ability to access the capital markets in the future on satisfactory terms or at all; (3) risks associated with GEO's ability to control operating costs associated with contract start-ups; (4) GEO's ability to timely open facilities as planned, profitably manage such facilities and successfully integrate such facilities into GEO's operations without substantial costs; (5) GEO's ability to win management contracts for which it has submitted proposals and to retain existing management contracts; (6) GEO's ability to obtain future financing on acceptable terms; (7) GEO's ability to sustain company-wide occupancy rates at its facilities; and (8) other factors contained in GEO's Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including the forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K reports.

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