



Investigative Summary: GPO Passport Production Incident Investigation

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The U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO), Office of the Inspector General (OIG), completed an investigation into a passport production incident at the GPO Stennis Secure Production Facility, Mississippi that alleged the willful intent of the destruction of government property covered under Title 18 U.S.C. § 1361. The matter was referred to the U.S. Department of Justice, which declined to pursue it.

Our investigation found that several employees failed to follow their assigned duties in the absence of standard operating procedures. The actions of the subjects ultimately resulted in the estimated total material loss to the government of \$320,060.

GPO OIG identified and provided to GPO leadership three areas for consideration of improvements regarding operations and productions, to address deficiencies and/or weaknesses and potentially preclude similar incidents in the future.