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FORM 12b-25

NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

(Check One): Form 10-K o Form 20-F o Form 11-K o Form 10-Q
o Form N-SAR o Form N-CSR

For Period Ended: January 2, 2005

- Transition Report on Form 10-K
- Transition Report on Form 20-F
- Transition Report on Form 11-K
- Transition Report on Form 10-Q
- Transition Report on Form N-SAR

For the Transition Period Ended: _____

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PART I — REGISTRANT INFORMATION

The GEO Group, Inc.

Full Name of Registrant

N/A

Former Name if Applicable

One Park Place, Suite 700, 621 Northwest 53rd St

Address of Principal Executive Office (*Street and Number*)

Boca Raton, Florida 33487-8242

City, State and Zip Code

PART II — RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- (a) The reason described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;
- (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
- (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III — NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, N-SAR, N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

The GEO Group, Inc. (the "Company") is currently in the process of finalizing its review of certain accounting matters relevant to the completion of its audit and its assessment related to its internal controls over financial reporting as of January 2, 2005, as required by Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), and requires additional time to complete such review and assessment. The Company has dedicated significant resources to the completion of its audit and its assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Although substantial progress has been made, there have been delays in completing the audit and the assessment, primarily attributable to the complex nature of the new requirements under Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

As a result of these delays and in order to ensure the accuracy and completeness of the Company's 2004 Form 10-K (the "Form 10-K"), the Company is unable to complete and file its Form 10-K by the prescribed filing date without unreasonable effort and expense. The Company continues to dedicate significant resources to the audit of the financial statements, internal control testing and reports, and the Form 10-K, and currently anticipates filing the Form 10-K on or before the extended deadline of April 4, 2005.
