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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Perzel John M

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/28/2005

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GEO GROUP INC [GGI]

(Check all applicable)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

ONE PARK PLACE, SUITE 700, 621 NW 53RD STREET

(Street)

_X__ Director Officer (give title below) (specify below)

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

BOCA RATON, Â FLÂ 33487

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities

(Instr. 4)

Beneficially Owned

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Date

Title Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Stock Option 02/08/2005 02/08/2015 Common Stock 2,700 \$32.2 D Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Perzel John M

ONE PARK PLACE, SUITE 700
621 NW 53RD STREET

BOCA RATON, FLÂ 33487

Signatures

/s/ John M. Perzel By: Kenneth J. Mendell as Attorney in Fact 03/17/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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