

## **Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Grants ABC-CLIO Perpetual License to Publish Greenwood Publishing Group Titles**

*ABC-CLIO Expands Industry Leadership With License to Publish More Than 18,000 Titles of Greenwood Press, Praeger Publishers, Praeger Security International and Libraries Unlimited*

**BOSTON, and SANTA BARBARA, Calif.** — October 1, 2008 — ABC-CLIO and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt today announced an agreement granting ABC-CLIO a perpetual license to use the imprints and publish the titles of Greenwood Publishing Group, including Greenwood Press, Praeger Publishers, Praeger Security International and Libraries Unlimited. In addition, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt will transfer certain assets, including copyrights, contracts and inventory, of Greenwood Publishing Group to ABC-CLIO. This agreement is effective immediately.

"By combining Greenwood Publishing's impressive and extensive list of titles with our experience in publishing widely respected databases, reference books and eBooks, ABC-CLIO is expanding its role as a leader in the publishing industry," said Ron Boehm, CEO, ABC-CLIO. "We believe that we will launch the next generation of high-quality reference, professional development and other resources for education and libraries."

This agreement combines ABC-CLIO's five decades as an award-winning publisher of print and electronic reference products with Greenwood Publishing Group's extensive list of more than 18,000 reference titles, academic and general interest books, texts, books for librarians and other professionals, and electronic resources.

"We are proud of the success of Greenwood Publishing," said Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Chairman and CEO Tony Lucki. "We view this agreement as an opportunity for the brand to grow and expand its focus on publishing for the digital world and believe that ABC-CLIO is uniquely positioned to accomplish this."

Greenwood Press publishes high-quality, authoritative reference books across the middle and high school and college and university curriculum as well as on general-interest topics. Praeger Publishers is Greenwood's line of scholarly and professional books in the social sciences and humanities, with emphasis in modern history, military studies, psychology, business, current events and social issues, international affairs, politics, visual and performing arts, and literature. Praeger Security International publishes insightful and timely material on international security, including defense and foreign policy, strategy, regional security, military history and terrorism. Libraries Unlimited is a publisher of professional materials for librarians, media specialists and teachers. The agreement does not include any imprints or titles of Heinemann USA.

"The opportunity to publish Greenwood's current library of materials and develop future titles and imprints will allow ABC-CLIO to increase and enhance its high-quality offerings for the education and library markets," said Becky Snyder, president, ABC-

CLIO. "With this agreement, we can forge a new vision for publishing in our world of rapidly changing technologies."

**About ABC-CLIO**

ABC-CLIO combines more than 50 years of experience as a premier education and library publisher with a deep commitment to using digital and other emerging technologies to publish the highest quality materials. A privately held publisher of educational and reference products, the company focuses on resources for the scholar, student, teacher and librarian in universities and secondary schools. Under the leadership of CEO Ron Boehm and President Becky Snyder, ABC-CLIO works with more than 5,000 scholars and educators to develop its collection of award-winning print and online reference and resource publications. The company's headquarters is in Santa Barbara, Calif., with branch offices in Denver, Colo., and Oxford, England. For more information, visit [www.abc-clio.com](http://www.abc-clio.com).

**About Houghton Mifflin Harcourt**

Boston-based Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company is a global education company and the world's largest publisher of educational materials for pre-K–12 schools. The Company publishes a comprehensive set of best-in-class educational solutions, ranging from research-based textbook programs to instructional technology to standards-based assessments for students and educators. The Company also publishes an extensive line of reference works and award-winning literature for adults and young readers. With origins dating back to 1832, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt combines its tradition of excellence with a commitment to innovation. To learn more about Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, visit [www.hmhpublish.com](http://www.hmhpublish.com).

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