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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL --Whether the next president should reassess U.S. relations with the People's Republic of China (Peking) and the Republic of China (Taiwan) will be the topic for discussion at Eastern Illinois University on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. in the Old Ballroom of the University Union.

Speaking will be David Dean, Chairman of the Board of the American Institute in Taiwan (AIT). Dr. Larry Thorsen, Chairman of the Political Science Department at Eastern, said the AIT was created by an Act of Congress as a private corporation to continue commercial, cultural, and other relations with Taiwan after President Carter normalized U.S.-People's Republic of China relations.

Thorsen said Dean is currently the highest American official responsible for the execution of U.S. policies for Taiwan.

Dean will be guest of honor at a luncheon on Wednesday, Oct. 22 at 11:45 a.m. in the Old Ballroom of the Union. Reservations may be made by calling the Political Science office at 581-2523.

Dean is also scheduled to attend an international tea on Tuesday, Oct. 21 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Ninth and Cleveland Streets. The tea will be sponsored jointly by the International Student Service, Home Extension Units, and the University Model UN Council.

Dean's foreign service includes:

Political Counselor, U.S. Embassy in Taipei, Republic of China; U.S. Charge d'Affaires to Republic of China; Deputy Chief, U.S. Liaison Office, Peking, People's Republic of China; and Director, Office of Research and Analysis for East Asia and the Pacific.