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For Immediate Release:

EIU POLICE DEPARTMENT PROMOTES TWO

CHARLESTON -- The Eastern Illinois University Police Department has announced that two veteran officers -- Phil Lang and Harold J. Harris -- have been promoted to lieutenant positions.

Lang, who joined the department in January 1989, has been a night shift sergeant for about the last 10 years. He was previously assigned to the East Central Illinois Task Force and UPD Investigations, and is currently involved with the Combined Agency Response Team (C.A.R.T.), a regional hazardous materials response unit.

He has been involved on campus and in the community with many committees and organizations, and has attended various law enforcement and supervisory programs. Lang received both his bachelor's degree in sociology and his master's degree in guidance and counseling from Eastern.

Prior to working at EIU, he was employed by the Coles County Sheriff's Department, the United States Air Force and the city of Charleston.

Lang, who resides in the area with his wife Staci and their two children, Jennifer and Thad, is the son of Dale and Maudie Lang. Dale Lang is a retired EIU police officer.

Harris, formerly of Decatur, has been with Eastern's police department since February 1989. He most recently was assigned to UPD Investigations and the implementation of a new computer records management system. He, too, was previously assigned to the East Central Illinois Task Force and is currently involved with C.A.R.T.

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Harris earned degrees in sociology and computer management from Eastern, and is currently enrolled in the School of Technology's master of science program. He has also attended several law enforcement and supervisory courses, and has served on various campus committees as an officer and as a student.