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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

TURBAN ACCEPTS LUMPKIN DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORSHIP

CHARLESTON, IL.--Dr. Efraim Turban, professor and director of management information systems program in the School of Business at the U.S. International University in San Diego, has accepted Eastern Illinois University's offer of appointment as the Lumpkin Distinguished Professor of Business.

Turban is a scholar of national prominence in information systems and decision sciences, said Dr. Ted Ivarie, dean of the Lumpkin College of Business.

The endowed professorship was established through a gift of \$1 million from R.A. Lumpkin, chief executive officer and chairman of Illinois Consolidated Telephone Company.

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It was created to enhance the quality of business instruction at Eastern by recruiting an eminent scholar for the faculty.

Recognized for his research activities, Turban has authored numerous books on management science and information systems and is currently working on four books on expert systems and information systems management. His most popular book is Decision Support and Expert Systems.

Turban has authored 70 research papers on management science and information systems and has received several national awards and research grants.

He is on the editorial review board for Computers and Operations Research and the Journal of Information Resource Management. He also writes a new column on information resources management for Decision Lines. He has consulted and conducted training for numerous government agencies and large corporations in the United States, Venezuela, Peru, Chile, Korea, Israel and Japan.

Turban, who will officially begin his duties next fall, will teach, lecture, publish, consult and serve as a leader in his specialty. He received his doctorate degree from the University of California at Berkeley and has done post doctoral work at the University of California at Los Angeles.

His instructional interests include management information systems, operations research, production and operations management, health care management, and business policy among others.

He has more than 20 years experience as an educator and administrator and has worked as an industrial engineer for General Electric Corporation and as director of the industrial and engineering and services department for the Israeli Institute of Productivity in Tel Aviv, Israel.