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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

PUBLIC INVITED TO EIU ROTC DEMONSTRATIONS

CHARLESTON -- ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps) Week '98 at Eastern Illinois University will be celebrated with activities -- some open to the general public -- designed to raise awareness of military science training available to students.

The public is invited to view rappelling demonstrations from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday (Aug. 25) and from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday (Aug. 27) outside of the university's Physical Sciences Building. Cadets and students currently enrolled in ROTC classes will demonstrate the art of descending from high points such as roofs and cliffs by means of a rope passed under one thigh, across the body and over one shoulder.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 26) members of the Illinois Army National Guard will have equipment and vehicle displays set up on the field located south of Eastern's Tarble Arts Center.

Admission is free to each of these displays.