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CHARLESTON, IL--The Malaysian ambassador to the U.S., Dato Sip Hon Lew, will discuss "The American Presence in Southeastern Asia: A Malaysian Perspective" at Eastern Illinois University on Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in the Buzzard Building (former Lab School) Auditorium. There is no admission charge.

Lew will also attend a reception from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Wesley Foundation on Fourth Street. The event will be sponsored by the Office of International Students and the Coles County Homemakers Extension Association.

Sponsoring the evening lecture will be Political Science Department and Pi Sigma Alpha, political science honorary.

The ambassador was originally scheduled to speak on Oct. 9, but the engagement was cancelled because of an appearance in Chicago by the Malaysian Prime Minister, Datuk Mahathir Mohamad.

Lew, who holds a degree in economics from the University of Malaysia and is a Fellow, Royal Economic Society, London, is a member of the Malaysian Parliament, as well as serving as the ambassador.

Lew began his professional career in 1952. Before being named ambassador to the U.S. in January 1984, Lew was Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry in Malaysia.