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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BRAZILIAN SCHOLAR TO LECTURE AT EIU

CHARLESTON, IL--Vera Teixeira, a member of the Department of Hispanic Studies at Northwestern University in Evanston, will present "Brazil: The Arts and Humanities as Cultural Reflection" Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in Eastern Illinois University's Tarble Arts Center.

The free lecture, co-sponsored by Eastern's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, is part of a program by the World Affairs Forum of Mt. Vernon on "Brazil Comes to Main Street." "Main Street" is figuratively the towns, villages, and rural areas located along Interstate 57 from Mattoon/Charleston to Cairo.

ADD 1/1/1/1 LECTURE ON BRAZIL

Teixeira specializes in the area of Luso-Brazilian culture, Portuguese language teaching, Spanish, and Portugese literature. She earned advanced degrees from Yale University, and has taught at Northwestern University since 1973.

She has also worked for the United States Information

Service in Brazil and has been involved with the development and administration of studies programs on Latin America, the Caribbean, and Africa. She is currently a member of the National Board of Advisors for TRAVESSIA, a video-based textbook for Portuguese.

Her lecture will focus on the complicated and diverse qualities of multicultural Brazil and the agonizing problems confronting its people.