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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BRAZILIAN EXCHANGE PROGRAM FINALIZED

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University has signed a formal reciprocal student exchange agreement with the Fundação (Foundation) Armando Alvares Penteado (FAAP) in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Upon signing the agreement, Eastern President Stan Rives said, "The exchange program will provide a culturally enriching and educational experience for American and Brazilian students alike."

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This summer, for one month during intersession in May and June, up to 20 Eastern students will attend classes at FAAP, while living in dormitories or with Brazilian students and their families.

The students will be accompanied to FAAP by Jyoti Prasad, coordinator of international business programs for Eastern's Lumpkin College of Business and associate professor of management and marketing. They will attend a variety of classes taught in English, and will be encouraged to participate in extra-curricular activities.

A similar number of students from FAAP will attend Spring Semester 1992 classes at Eastern for a 10-week period beginning in January.

"Dr. Prasad will be encouraged to investigate possible internship placements for students and student teaching opportunities. He will also assist in the selection process of further exchange students and attempt to explore other exchange options," Rives said.

Prasad said, "I will also explore the student/faculty exchange opportunities with other universities in the region, such as the University of Sao Paulo."

Rives said Charles Joley, dean of Eastern's College of Education, was instrumental in initiating the intercultural exchange between Eastern and the public school and university the Brazilian foundation operates.

Lumpkin College of Business Dean Ted Ivarie and College of Fine Arts Dean Vaughn Jaenike are also cooperating to have their students involved in the exchange program.