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CHARLESTON, IL--The ambassador to the United States from Bangladesh, Tabarak Husain, will speak at Eastern Illinois University on Tuesday, Nov. 17.

He will be initiated into Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society, at 6 p.m. at a dinner in the University Union Rathskellar. Persons wishing to buy tickets for the dinner, priced at \$6.75, may do so by calling the Political Science Department office, telephone 581-2523.

Husain will also give a public lecture at 7:30 p.m. in the Union's Grand Ballroom. His topic will be "Is Islamic Fundamentalism A Threat To World Stability?: A Bangladeshi's View."

As a foreign officer in Pakistan, Husain rose to the rank of ambassador to Algeria in 1971, but because of the civil war he never assumed the position. After the war, he joined the Bangladesh foreign ministry.

In 1975 he became foreign secretary (equivalent to undersecretary of state) before taking his present post in 1978. Husain holds an M.A. degree in economics from Dacca University and has done graduate work at the London School of Economics.