Dear Reader,

Welcome to the third edition of Ex-Patt: The Patterson School’s Magazine of Foreign Affairs. This issue offers you much variety- from ISIS to the history of Stalin’s decision to invade South Korea in the 1950s (more relevant than you might think- keep with the article till the end to find out why!). We believe that you will enjoy the different perspectives within. There is an accidental Asian focus, but that reflects the scholarship going on in our universities. Asia is becoming more important for the future of the international system. We have also included an article about the future of Brazil, another rising star-or is it? We are also excited to have one of Patterson’s International students featured here. While she is now back home, her insight into Kentucky is relevant for all. As always, if you wish to know the references cited in the papers, please email us at submissions.expatt@gmail.com

In case you had been wondering where your Fall 2014 edition was, it is not late! After careful consideration of our target audience, we decided to switch our production dates from December and May to January and September respectively. We believe that this will increase our readership across Lexington and allow people to really get into the articles in discussions.

This edition definitely had the most spread out set of Executive members, from our core group in Lexington, KY to one on an internship in Atlanta with the Carter Center to one braving a Siberian winter in Russia. Without their long nights, hard work, and dedication to providing you with the best product we could, this edition would not have occurred.

Don’t forget to check out our new blog: http://expattmagazine.wordpress.com where you will soon be able to receive weekly updates about current international issues from our dedicated staff! Also, if you are in the local Lexington, KY area be on the look out for our exciting Panel Series that will come back this semester!

We hope you enjoy this edition of the Ex-Patt Magazine!

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