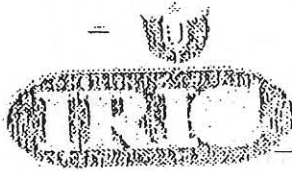


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COMPETITIVE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION INTO THE PROFESSIONAL
POST GRADUATE CYCLE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

(Academic year 2004/2005) =

ENGLISH LANGUAGE FOR FRENCH SPEAKING CANDIDATES

Duration: 3hrs.

SECTION A: COMPREHENSION (10 mks)

Read the following text and answer the questions below, using as far as possible, your own words.

EU urged to rethink its approach to security

Three years after the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States and six months after the Madrid train bombings, a report commissioned by the European Union calls for a fundamental rethinking of Europe's security doctrine, urging the Continent to beef up its capacity to intervene in regional conflicts worldwide and to help root out security threats at the source.

The report, which was compiled by a group of independent defence experts for the EU's foreign affairs and defence chief, Javier Solana, proposes an institutional revision and more defence spending to build up a 15,000-member European human security response force comprising military troops and civilian staff members under the same command. It argues that Europe has a "critical interest" in contributing to the security of people across the globe and not just in its neighbourhood. "In an era of interdependence, Europeans can no longer feel secure when the rest of the world is insecure," says the report, which was published Wednesday.

"Security has re-emerged as an urgent concern for Europeans, but it cannot be provided by hiding under nuclear umbrellas," it says. As the new triple threat of international terrorism, failed states and weapons of mass destruction continues to dominate the headlines, Europe's relative military weakness has been in the spotlight, notably in America, where five times as much is spent on defence as in the EU. But while urging Europe to increase its military capacity, the report also stresses the need to complement traditional firepower with a host of civilian elements. Among these are policing, legal training and aid. European officials say that approach illustrates something that is being done right by Europe - and perhaps better than by the United States. "Crisis management has to be a combination of military and civilian means - that's what this report is saying and that's what the EU is already doing," Solana said in a telephone interview on Wednesday. He pledged to "analyse this report with a lot of attention."

(careless, reckless, careful, kind)

c) The new play was a flop.
(success, failure, fun, piece)

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SECTION C: GRAMMAR: (8 marks)

I. Put the verbs in brackets in their right forms and write them down: (3 marks)

1. Mary _____, "All my work has finally paid off." (say)
2. She _____ singing lessons when she was only a child. (take)
3. The student _____ two miles three times a week to take her friend to her house. (drive)
4. A bolt of lightning _____ a tree twenty feet away. (break)
5. Our family _____ to this place next year ready for more work and play. (return)
6. We will start college in four years, and my mother _____ help with the tuition. (need)

II. Choose the correct pronoun from the words in brackets and write it down (3 marks)

1. The woman _____ called on us lives next door.
(whose, who, whom, which)
2. The person to _____ I gave the book has read it.
(who, whom, which, whose)
3. The neighbour _____ ladder we borrowed wants it back.
(whom, which, whose, that)

III. Fill the gap with the correct preposition (2 marks)

1. I thought she was going to walk from the station, but she arrived _____ a taxi.
2. You can borrow my book, but I must have it back _____ Friday.

SECTION D: TRANSLATION (6 marks)

Translate the following text into French

ON THE SITUATION IN COTE D'IVOIRE

The Council,

- a. Reiterates the concern of the African Union about the serious difficulties faced by the peace process in cote d'ivoire and the substantial delays in the implementation of the Linas-Marcoussis agreement of 24 January 2003 and that of Accra II of 30 July 2004, which should continue to guide the peace process in Cote d'ivoire;
- b. Reiterates also the concern of the AU about the disastrous consequences of the present situation on the social cohesion, the economic fabric and the unity of Cote d'ivoire as well as on the regional stability and the economic development prospects of the region as a whole. In this connection, Council reaffirms its commitment to the respect of legality, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Cote d'ivoire;

SECTION E: ESSAY (10 marks)

Write an essay of not more than 200 words on one of the following topics:

- 1- Government and child labour.
- 2- Is unemployment a problem in Cameroon?