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II.

1. Portugal has a mixed economic system which contains characteristics of both capitalism and socialism. A mixed economic system protects private property and allows a level of economic freedom in the use of capital, but also allows for governments to interfere in economic activities in order to achieve social aims. Although a mixed economy combines ideas of capitalism and socialism it is not an equal balance, as the system still shows bias towards capitalism. The Portuguese economy has been proven to work as the Gross Domestic Product has increased since 2012. Along with the gross domestic product the foreign direct investment has shown significant growth from previous years. The economy is showing no indication of slowing down and hence creating an opportune time to expand our business

2. The government structure of Portugal is a parliamentary partyocracy, defined as a pseudo democracy where people do not elect representatives directly instead voting for a Party. The parties appoint its representatives via preformed lists usually consisting of party cronies, family, friends and favor-givers. To an American this system may seem corrupt since family can be signed to a party without public consent, but the culture of Portugal is more centered around family and is accepting of these acts. In regards to regulation, starting a company takes less than a week, and no minimum capital is required. Portugal is given a business freedom score of 85.3% and a monetary freedom score of 85.7%. [Portugal, similar to all other members of the European Union, is a member of the World Trade Organization]

3. As previously mentioned, Portugal is a member of the European Union as well as a member of the World Trade Organization. As a member of the European Union, our company is guaranteed low tax rates between other member countries which will be extremely useful if we decide to further expand in the future. Being a member of the World Trade Organization means that trade disputes can be settled by a third party. In part, this means removing obstacles to trade. It also means making rules transparent and predictable so that companies are adequately informed of the laws. In 1996 the governments of Portugal and the United States officially enacted the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion treaty which explains that a company located in both countries does not have to pay full income tax for both countries. Portugal also has no exchange controls which are governmental restrictions on the movement of currency between countries.

Portugal's geography is rather diverse as it includes mountains, beaches, and rivers. Beaches and rivers are essential for our expansion since coolers play such an important role in beach excursions.

1. Portuguese life is centered around family and friends. Family is above all and anyone that goes against this unwritten rule will be considered a disgrace. Along with family; architecture, cuisine, and dance are major aspects of Portuguese culture.

The main rival of RTIC is Yeti whom has yet to expand to Europe leaving the market open for the time being. A lack of competitors overseas paired with a growing economy in Portugal makes for an optimal location for expansion.

2.

Rubric Grading Scale for Each Section

Group: Parker : Matthew

IBP: Portugal

Section II, Part A A. Economic, political and legal analysis of the trading country		Examples of Economic Impactors: GDP Labor Force Human Development Public Debt Taxes & Other Revenue Exports Imports Industrial Production Growth Rate (for manufacturing businesses) Sources: CIA World Factbook: Economy The Global Economy Heritage Foundation Doing Business In: http://www.dobusiness.org/ Export.gov http://export.gov/worldwide_us/index.asp	A Grade (Formal: 13.5 - 15 pts)	B/C Grade (Formal: 10.5 – 13.49 pts)	D/F Point Grade (Formal: Below 10.5 pts)
Economic System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of Economic System Used in IBP Country is Stated An understanding of what that type of economic system means is displayed Advantages / disadvantages of operating in this type of economic system are given 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of economic system is stated but not explained. Limited amount of advantages & Disadvantages given. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of economic system is copied from internet with no understanding of what it means given. No advantages / disadvantages of system provided. 		
Economic Impactors	<p>Multiple Economic Impactors are stated with supporting evidence as to why those impactors matter given.</p> <p>GDP/capita is included</p> <p>Comparisons to IBP Country & USA are given so that reader understands context better.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only a couple Economic Impactors are provided Economic impactors provided are not explained in depth & limited evidence relating to why they are important to your IBP country is given 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal to no economic impactors are provided. Paper does not explain economic factors that affect a foreign company expanding to their IBP market Facts are given to fill space with no understanding of their impact 		
Level of Foreign Direct Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Level of FDI is given (Market Overview: Export.gov) Stock of FDI at home & abroad is stated & explained Comparison to the USA is given Reasons as to why your FDI Level are important are given/explained Economic Globalization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FDI – Home is stated Limited explanation is given as to what that level means Paper doesn't make comparisons between IBP country & other major markets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FDI is either unstated, inaccurate, or unexplained. Student displays minimal to no understanding of FDI concept. 		
Total Grade	Rough Draft Turned in on Time	Due Date: October 25, 2016 *Informal / Effort Grade:	Yes	No Turned in late on _____/10 pts *Any rough draft submitted with good intent will earn full credit. 2 points deducted for each day it is late.	

4.2 Key Terms / Concepts from Textbook:

- You are responsible for taking notes on the four economic systems stated (Market, Mixed, Planned, & Traditional)
- Key Terms: Political Economy, Concept of Economic Integration, Customs Union, Common Market, FTA, NAFTA (Pros/Cons), COMESA, CACM, ASEAN, CARICOM, CAFTA, FTAA (Pros / Cons)
- Need to Know Free Trade Agreements:

Section II Part A

2. Describe the trading country's governmental structure and stability, how the government controls trade and private business

Sources:

CIA World Factbook: Government
The Global Economy (GE)
<http://www.theglobaleconomy.com/>
The Heritage Foundation (HF)
<http://www.heritage.org/index/>

A Grade (Formal: 18 – 20 pts)

B / C Grade (Formal: 14 – 17.9 pts)

D / F Point Grade (Formal: Below 14 pts)

Sum 1 - Presidential Bureaucratic Government Structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of Government that controls country is stated & explained Example: The USA is a Federal Republic with a strong Democratic tradition. Political Pressure Groups & Leaders Who is the head of your IBP Government Elections / Appointment Process is explained Example: Presidents in the United States are elected to 4 year terms with a max of 8 years in which they can serve. An overview of the last 50 years is given. Any major changes to how that country operates (Russia switching from-Communist to Level of corruption is documented / explained Level of Political Risk is given & a comparison to previous years; as well as, other countries is documented Level of Political Stability (GE) 	Government Stability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> International organization participation (CIA) Political Globalization (GE) Level of government involvement relating to free trade is Given(HF) Trade Balance (Export) 	Private Support of Government control over trade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Level of Business Freedom (Taxes & Process to start a business) From reading this section the viewer has a clear understanding of how your IBP country views privatization of business. Research State Owned Enterprise for ideas. Ex: Are privately owned industries, companies, corporations encouraged or are they state owned. 	Total Grade
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Key Concepts from book: Be able to compare & contrast the four main types of political systems: Democracy, Republic One-Party States, & Theocracy.

- Be able to compare & contrast Statutory & Case Law. Understand the importance of Contract Law when conducting business overseas.
- Political Systems, Political Risk, Political Economic Movement, Corruption & Which Countries have high/low levels of it, Sustainability, & Kyoto Protocol

Section II Part A

3. Describe laws and/or governmental agencies that affect your business/product/service [i.e., labor laws, trade laws (U.S.A. and/or Canada and foreign)]

Sources:		B/C Grade (Formal: 10.5 - 13.49)	D/F Point Grade (Formal: Below 10.5)
http://www.heritage.org/index/			
List of FTA's			
Asia: https://aric.adb.org/fta-country			
USA: https://ustr.gov/trade-agreements			
Agencies: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/State-owned_enterprise			
Laws &/ or Govt. Agencies that Impact your product			
- <u>WTO & Local Tax Rules</u>			
- EU			
Labor Laws			
- <u>Double Taxation - Currency Control</u>			
Total Grade			
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Key Terms from 4.1

- Compare & Contrast Developed Countries (First World), Newly Industrialized Countries (Second World), & Developing Countries (Third World)
- Income Distribution Terms & Concepts: Lorenz Curve, Line of Absolute Equality, Line of Absolute Inequality, & Education (2 things education suggests)
- Population Concepts: Population Pyramid, Social Class, & Class Mobility

Source(s): CIA World Factbook: People & Mobility Section

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Section II Part B: Trade area and cultural analysis

1. Geographic and demographic information, important customs and traditions, other pertinent cultural information, competitive advantages and disadvantages of the proposed product and/or service

	A Grade (Formal: 13.5 – 15 pts)	B/C Grade (Formal: 10.5 - 13.49)	D/F Point Grade (Formal: Below 10.5)
Geographic Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate, Terrain, Natural Resources, Natural Hazards that may affect your company, & environment. Information relating to transportation of goods: airport, rail port, & trucking stated & explained X Population pyramid is broken down so that the most largely populated groups are identified & targeted (Gender/Age) Median Age Infant Mortality Rate Birth Rate Population growth rate Ethnic groups with corresponding %'s (race) Education Attainment (Education) Social Class with average median income % living below the poverty line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Factors associated with geography are listed but their value is not explained Limited to No discussion of how transportation is impacted given 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geographical information is limited with factors that have no real value to your IBP country stated
Demographic Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population pyramid is broken down so that the most largely populated groups are identified & targeted (Gender/Age) Median Age Infant Mortality Rate Birth Rate Population growth rate Ethnic groups with corresponding %'s (race) Education Attainment (Education) Social Class with average median income % living below the poverty line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only the largest population groups are identified No method of distinction between gender groups Factors such as median age & birth rate are not provided Growth rate of population is stated as a statistic but its relevance is not explained Levels of income are either not provided or only hinted at Levels of education are not clear 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited discussion of population factors given. Example: Reader may see a picture of a population pyramid with no explanation of that pyramid given Factors such as income, age, & education levels are missing or given in estimates No breakdown of gender differenced given
Important Customs & Traditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication: Verbal & Nonverbal Gift Giving v. Bribery Fashion / Dress Manners, Attitudes, Values Meeting basics / Negotiation Norms Religion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some cultural traditions are given but not enough to provide an in-depth understanding of how that country functions. No customs / traditions are mentioned that related directly to the workplace Breakdown of religion is given but little to no explanation is given 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very little reference to customs & traditions is provided The overall attitude & values of the country are either limited in scope or missing altogether Religion is only mentioned as a factor but not explained
Pertinent Cultural Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geert Hofstede's Model High or Low Context Culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hofstede's model is given in picture format with no explanation provided as to what it means 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited to no added information given relating to your IBP country's culture
Competitive Advantages & Disadvantages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advantages &/or disadvantages your company will encounter are clearly stated. With supporting evidence given Examples of Advantages: American Made Brand, Lower Costs, Fulfils market need Examples of Disadvantages: Added costs, transportation delays, government influence etc.. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advantages &/or disadvantages your company will encounter are clearly stated. Limited supportive evidence provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Competitive advantages & disadvantages are hinted at but not clearly stated as such. No evidence or statistical data is given explaining advantages that exist.
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Section II Part B: Trade area and cultural analysis

2. Analysis of the potential location—importance and requirements of each trade document required by the U.S.A. and/or Canada and the country of choice

(Export & Import Documentation (GE))

Helpful Sites:
<http://www.theglobaleconomy.com/>
 (Other Indicators Sections)

A Grade (Formal: 13.5 – 15 pts)

B/C Grade (Formal: 10.5 - 13.49)

- The selection of your IBP country is proven effective based on statements made in this section
- Examples of information that could be presented in this section include: Country is geographically in a good region for transportation (airport or seaport nearby), climate assists with need/production of product, there is an adequate level of capable employees available, etc...

Analysis of the Potential Location:
<http://www.doingbusiness.org/rankings>
Doing Business in IBP Name Example, Germany:
 Country Commercial Guide
<http://www.export.gov/ccg/index.asp>

Trade between your IBP country and the United States is easy & encouraged

Paperwork required for trade is minimal or easy to complete.

X

- The selection of your IBP country is proven effective
- Factors associated with the potential of your IBP Country's location are stated and explained but only 1 or 2 reasons are given to support.

- The selection of your IBP country seems viable but a clear rationale for how the actual location of your country is beneficial is not given.
- Supporting evidence of location selection is minimal to none.

D/F Point Grade (Formal: Below 10.5)

- No mention of trade documentation or a very generic attempt at trade documentation is presented.

Example would be paper simply states a certificate of origin and bill of lading would be required.

- Only 1 or 2 examples of trade documents are given and purpose of such document is explained.
- Paper does a good job explaining the form needed, why it is needed, and how it is used; however, it only does that for 1 or 2 forms of documentation.

X
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