

### Critical Analysis Paper 3

Moving on from the international monetary system (IMS), we discussed the other two facets of the global political economy: international investment and finance (II&F) and international trade (ITS). As with Paper 2, for this analysis assignment, your objective is to discuss, **in your own words**, the following concepts using examples from the readings to explain your supporting points. As such, I highly suggest you review my comments from Paper 2 and take those into consideration when writing this paper.

- Considerations for foreign direct investment (FDI)
- Merchandise trade
- New International Division of Labor

To discuss the above concepts, choose **three** readings for **each** concept that you best think relates to the concept. You should consider that all of the readings, and especially the three chapters, discuss a variety of issues worth addressing, rather than just focusing on just one point. By the end of your paper, you need to have discussed each reading **at least once**.

While each of these can relate to each concept, focus on those **most** relevant and thoroughly discuss its significance, using supporting examples from the readings.

- Made in China?
- FL v. MX Tomatoes
- Sugar Subsidies
- Chapter 4- Cocoa Beans
- Moving to Southeast Asia (Indonesia and Cambodia articles)
- The Bottleneck
- Walmart & the Rivalry in India
- Corruption
- Cash in a Canoe

Make sure you're not just summarizing a reading, but instead are connecting it to the concept to examine the issues.

Consider that both the GN and GS countries are part of this equation. While an issue might be specific to one country and, therefore, might appear to be just a local issue, the reality is that the system is interconnected, so what happens locally has global implications and vice-versa.

The structure of your paper should follow this format:

**Paragraph 1:** A brief introduction to the three concepts as they relate to the global political economic system.

**Body paragraphs:** Very briefly begin by explaining the concept in your own words and how it is evident in IPE in the readings. Be sure to develop your ideas rather than just listing examples. Use **headers for each concept**. All explanations and

examples should be in your own words. Break up ideas into separate paragraphs for each reading you discuss. You should have 3 paragraphs for each example

- Foreign direct investment (FDI)
  - Very briefly explain FDI in your own words
  - Discuss three factors that affect potential FDI, using specific examples from three readings to support each point
- Merchandise trade
  - Very briefly explain what merchandise trade involves, in your own words
  - Discuss three aspects of merchandise trade that affect the global economy, using specific examples from three readings to support each point
- New International Division of Labor (NIDL)
  - Very briefly explain NIDL in your own words
  - Discuss three challenges to the NIDL, using specific examples from three readings to support each point

**Conclusion Paragraph:** When writing your conclusion, consider the difficulties GS countries face relying so heavily on merchandise trade, FDI, and (the outsourced/offshored labor in) the NIDL model.

When you discuss these articles and cases as examples, rather than formally introducing the title, just refer to them informally such as "in Ghana", "the situation with cryptocurrency", or "as the case about tomatoes indicates". Focus on discussing the significance of the readings to the course concepts rather than giving summaries of them. Explain these examples in your own words rather than paraphrasing or quoting the readings. As such, you do not need citations.

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The following standards for writing apply:

- Failure to follow paper structure outlined above will result in losing points
- **1600 word maximum** (about 5 ½ pages) -10% for each block of 50 excess words
- Double-spaced
- Times New Roman 12 pt. font (or Mac comparable)
- Write in the third person
- Avoid the common error of making acronyms possessive (i.e., MNCs v. MNC's; NGOs v. NGO's).
- Edited and proof-read so that paper is well-written.
- Write in appropriate length paragraphs
- The University Honor Code applies, so make sure everything is in your own words