

INDIVIDUAL REPORT

Developing countries often struggle with the issue of free trade versus protective tariffs. Tariffs can be effective in protecting new and growing industries, but they can also cause an increase in the price of consumer goods, which can economically hurt the citizens of a developing country. Put yourself in “the shoes” of a citizen of a developing country, and write a letter to a government official expressing your opinions on the issue of free trade versus protective tariffs, and asking for governmental action on the issue.

Evaluation Criteria

- A clear description of your “identity”, including age, job, and where you live.
- An explanation of your opinion on the issue of free trade vs. protective tariffs, with at least 3 details.
- A description of how free trade would directly impact your life, with at least 3 examples.
- A description of how protective tariffs would impact your life, with at least 3 examples.
- A request for specific action by the government official.