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Chacune des deux disciplines compte pour la moitié des points dans la note finale.

L'usage de la calculatrice et des dictionnaires est interdit.

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## **SUJET A**

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## HISTORY ESSAY AND GEOGRAPHY DOCUMENT BASED QUESTION

## **PART ONE**

#### **HISTORY ESSAY**

To what extent was the United States responsible for increasing Cold War tensions from 1944 to 1950?

### **PART TWO**

#### **GEOGRAPHY DOCUMENT BASED QUESTION**

Using the documents and your own knowledge, answer the following question: To what extent is the European Union integrated into international flows?

Include a discussion of the value and limitations of the documents in your essay.

Document 1 – "The EU should use its trade power strategically", article published on the website of PIIE (Peterson Institute for International Economics), January 4th, 2022.

No country has more trade agreements than the European Union. As a superpower in trade with the only real internal market in the world, the EU possesses an attractive negotiating asset. A free trade agreement (FTA) with the EU gives its trading partners access to a unified market with one set of rules for 27 countries and 450 million consumers. Trade agreements facilitate trade and investment, which leads to jobs and growth. Such agreements allow Europe to project its values. For example, EU trade agreements include a chapter [...] on environment, labor rights, and human rights.

Europe should develop and deepen existing agreements and sign and ratify those ready to be completed with Mexico and Chile. Chile supplies lithium and cobalt, which would help the European Union diversify the source of materials needed in electric cars, reducing dependence on China. Agreements with Indonesia and Malaysia should also be finalized, and the EU must conclude an investment agreement with Taiwan announced back in 2015. [...] When former US president Donald Trump declared that trade wars were good and easy to win, for example, Europe's disagreement was clear. In the face of his contention trade agreements that could only be win-lose arrangements, the EU concluded trade negotiations with Canada, Japan, Singapore, Vietnam, Mexico, and the Mercosur. [...]

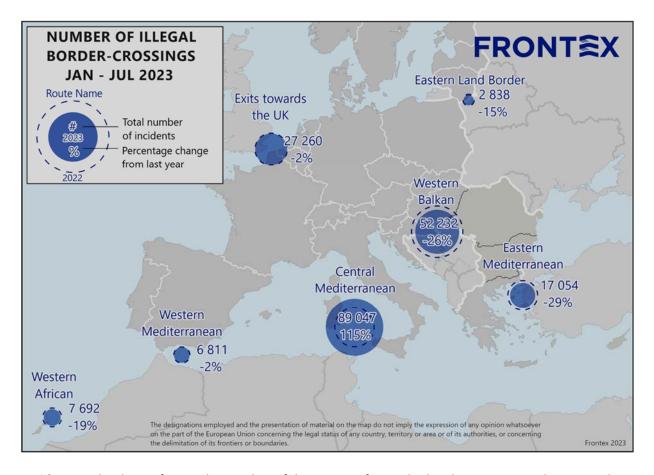
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In a troubling trade development, however, the European Union has lately sought to "strengthen its autonomy" with the use of trade defense instruments, such as retaliatory tariffs, and the establishment of a trade enforcement officer. Just before Christmas (2021), the European Commission proposed an anti-coercion instrument that would provide a tool for retaliation against countries such as China and Russia over their crackdowns on dissent.

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Document 2 – Central Mediterranean top migratory route into the EU in first half of 2023



Route	Top nationalities
	(January – July 2023)
Central	Ivory Coast, Egypt, Guinea
Mediterranean	
Western Balkan	Syria, Afghanistan, Turkey
Eastern	Syria, Palestine, Afghanistan
Mediterranean	
Western African	Morocco, Senegal, Ivory Coast
Western	Morocco, Algeria, Syria
Mediterranean	
Eastern Land	Ukraine, Syria, Afghanistan
Border	
Exits towards the	Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq
UK	

**Incidents** = The data refers to the number of detections of irregular border-crossing at the external borders of the European Union.

Source: Frontex, July 14, 2023

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## **SUJET B**

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## GEOGRAPHY ESSAY AND HISTORY DOCUMENT BASED QUESTION

## **PART ONE**

### **GEOGRAPHY ESSAY**

Analyze the most significant factors which explain the key role of maritime spaces in globalization.

## **PART TWO**

### HISTORY DOCUMENT BASED QUESTION

Using the documents and your own knowledge answer the following question: How did China and the United States respond to the economic and geopolitical challenges of the 1970s and 1980s?

Include a discussion of the value and limitations of the documents in your essay.

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## Document 1 – Photograph. Cars line up outside a gas station in California (May 9, 1979)

May 9, 1979 was the first day of gas rationing imposed on nine California counties following the revolution in Iran that caused a shortage of crude oil.



Source: The Federal Reserve's History website (picture ©Bettmann/Bettmann/Getty Images)

# Document 2 – Deng Xiaoping's vision for China's future: 'Emancipate the Mind, Seek Truth from Facts and Unite As One In Looking to the Future.' (December 13, 1978)

In economic policy, I think we should allow some regions and enterprises and some workers and peasants to earn more and enjoy more benefits sooner than others, in accordance with their hard work and greater contributions to society. If the standard of living of some people is raised first, this will inevitably be an impressive example to their "neighbors", and people in other regions and units will want to learn from them. This will help the whole national economy to advance wave upon wave and help the people of all our nationalities to become prosperous in a comparatively short period.

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Of course, there are still difficulties in production in the Northwest, Southwest and some other regions, and the life of the people there is hard. The state should give these places many kinds of help, and in particular strong material support.

These are major policies which can have an effect on the whole national economy and push it forward. I suggest that you study them carefully.

During the drive to realize the four modernizations<sup>1</sup>, we are bound to encounter many new and unexpected situations and problems with which we are unfamiliar. In particular, the reforms in the relations of production and in the superstructure will not be easy to introduce. They touch on a wide range of issues and concern the immediate interests of large numbers of people, so they are bound to give rise to complications and problems and to meet with numerous obstacles. In the reorganization of enterprises, for example, there will be the problem of deciding who will stay on and who will leave.

Source: The Marxists Internet Archive

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The four modernizations were a set of economic policy goals essential to the market reform (agriculture, industry, defense, science and technology).