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EPREUVE: ANGLAIS

Durée: 4 heures

Instructions to candidates

The time allowed for this examination is 4 hours

Answer all questions

All answers must be clearly and correctly numbered but need not be numerical order

When you finish, check your work carefully

The use of English dictionaries is not permitted

Total marks: 100

Text

The geopolitical situation in Eastern Europe intensified on February 24, 2022 with Russia's invasion of Ukraine. The war between the two countries continues to evolve as military activity proceeds and additional sanctions are imposed. In addition to the considerable human toll and impact of the events on entities that have operations in Russia, Ukraine, or neighboring countries, or that conduct business with their counterparties, the war is increasingly affecting economic and global financial markets and exacerbating ongoing economic challenges, including inflation and global supply chain disruption.

It is important that entities aggregate and consider their direct and indirect exposures to the impacts arising from the war in order to identify what aspects are potentially material and require further evaluation for accounting recognition and disclosure. The significance of the issues below will vary depending on an entity's industry and circumstances, but the following topics could be among the most pervasive and challenging:

The use of forward-looking information is pervasive in an entity's assessment of, among other things, the impairment of nonfinancial assets (including goodwill), the realizability of deferred tax assets, and the entity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Nevertheless, an entity will need to make good-faith estimates and prepare comprehensive documentation supporting the basis for such estimates, as well as provide robust disclosure of the key assumptions used and, potentially, their sensitivity to change.

Perhaps the most striking examples of the increased challenge associated with forward-looking information are related to the performance of the impairment tests for long-lived assets, intangibles, and goodwill. For these nonfinancial assets, entities use recoverability and impairment models that rely on the development of cash flow projections, which may be subject

to significant uncertainties arising from the war. However, impairments establish a new cost basis for the assets, and subsequent reversal of the recorded impairment is not permitted. Impairment issues may arise due to damage or destruction of fixed assets and/or inventory directly related to Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Valuation and/or credit-related impairments may arise related to financial assets or investments in debt and/or equity securities.

Because of significant changes in the economic and political environment as a result of the war, entities with subsidiaries, investments, or operations in the affected regions may lose control of or the ability to exercise significant influence over such operations or determine that they will voluntarily stop operating them or exit the affected countries.

Entities that do so may need to reconsider their accounting conclusions related to consolidation or equity method accounting.

Entities must carefully consider their unique circumstances and risk exposures when analyzing how the accounting impacts arising from the war may affect their financial reporting. Specifically, financial reporting and related financial statement disclosures need to convey all material current or potential effects arising from the war.

-by Dennis Howell, partner, and Curt Weller, partner, both with Deloitte & Touche LLP

Part 1: COMPREHENSION

(12 marks)

Read the text and answer the questions

Question 1

What is the best title for the text?

- A) Russia-Ukraine War: assessing Accounting Impacts
- (B) Russia-Ukraine War: accounting role
- Russia-Ukraine War: accountants' responsibilities
- 5D) Russia-Ukraine War: accounting impact on the public sectors

Question 2

The following countries are impacted by the war:

- (A) Russia and Ukraine
- oB) Countries that share borders with Russia and Ukraine
- (C) Countries that do business with Russia and Ukraine
- D) All of the above

Question 3

According to the text, apart from the human impact of the war, there is a/an:

- (A) social impact
- OB) economic impact
- (C) banking impact
- (P) socio-economic

Question 4

The evaluation of the importance of the impact of the war is based on:

- (A) the business type of the entity involved
- R) the circumstances of the entity and its financial standing
- the type of business of the entity and the circumstances it is in
- D) the geographical proximity with Russian and Ukraine

Question 5

What should be cautiously considered, taken into account cautiously, thought of by entities when assessing the impact of the war on accounting?

- A) The specificty of their situation
- B) Their size
- The specifity of their situation and their risk factor
- D) Their financial circustances

Question 6

Match the following headings with Sections 1, 2, and 3. Choose A, B, or C

- A) Loss of control, the ability to exercise significant influence, or cessation of operations
- B) Preparation of forward-looking cash flow estimates.
- C) Recoverability and impairment of assets

1) Section 1: A B C 2) Section 2: A B C

3) Section 3: A B C

PART 2 TRANSLATION

(25 marks)

Translate into French the following paragraph:

"The geopolitical situation in Eastern Europe intensified on February 24, 2022, with Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Entities must carefully consider their unique circumstances and risk exposures when analyzing how the accounting impacts arising from the war may affect their financial reporting. Specifically, financial reporting and related financial statement disclosures need to convey all material current or potential effects arising from the war."

PART 3: TERMINOLOGY AND ACCURACY

(Total 40 marks)

Exercise 1

(4 Marks)

The underlined word "evolve" in paragraph 1 is closest in meaning to:

- A) Resolve
- B) Develop
- C) Stop
- D) Worsen

The word goodwill is closest in meaning to:

- A) an intangible asset that is linked the purchase of a company by another
- B) a tangible asset that is linked to the purchase of a company by another
- C) an intangible asset of a newly founded company
- D) a tangible asset of a public company

Match the words in the box with the definitions below.

insider dealing fraudulent disclosure Compliance & oversee 🥬 price-sensitive Money laundering

- 1 adjective meaning able to influence or change price
- 2 behaving according to regulations, rules, policies, procedures, etc.
- 3 buying or selling stocks when you have confidential information about a company
- 4 disguising the source of money acquired from criminal activities
- 5 adjective meaning dishonest and illegal (intending to get money by deceiving people)
- 6 giving investors and customers all the information they need
- 7 to watch something to make that it is being done correctly

Exercises 3

(9 marks)

Sort the following into current, fixed and intangible assets.

Buildings /	cash in the bank	debtors
Goodwill	human capital	investments /
Stock	land /	reputation

Current assets

Exercises 4 (10 marks)

Provide the corresponding missing noun, verb or adjective

NOUN	VERB	ADJECTIVE
Impact	1	2
3	4	adjusted
volunteer	5	6
7	specify	8
9	10	global

Exercises 5 (10 marks)

Write the numbers in letters and the letters in numbers

1	4,000,000	
2	40,417,808,101	
3	0.75	
4	1/3	
5	1914 (year)	
6	15 x 80	
	100	
7	Nought point nine	
8 thous	Seventy million seven hundred ninety and and three hundred forty CFA	
9	One billion Dollar	
10	One O one	

PART 4 ESSAY WRITING

(23 marks)

Choose topic 1 OR topic 2

<u>Topic 1:</u> Write about the impact of the Ukraine war on your country's overall economy.

<u>Topic 2</u>: Analyse the following statement:

According to the USA Bureau of Labor Statistics, accounting and auditing jobs are projected to grow by 4% between 2019 and 2029.

(Maximum 30 lines)