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The Second Term Test of English

Class: 3ASLLE

Part one: Reading

A) Read the text carefully then do the following activities

Money laundering is the process of creating the appearance that large amounts of money obtained from serious crimes, such as drug trafficking or terrorist activity, originated from legitimate source. It is a crime with varying definitions. It is a key operation of the underground economy.

In US law, it is the practice of engaging in financial transactions to conceal the identity, source, or destination of illegally gained money. In UK law, the common law definition is wider. **The act** is defined as taking any action with property of any form that will disguise the fact that it is the proceeds of a crime, or obscure the beneficial ownership of said property.

In the past, the term “money laundering” was applied only to financial transactions related to organized crime. Today its definition is often expanded by government and international regulators such as the US Office of the Comptroller of the Currency to mean any financial transaction which generates a value as the result of an illegal act, **which** may involve actions such as tax evasion or false accounting. In the UK, it does not even need to involve money, but any economic good. Courts involve money laundering committed by private individuals, drug dealers, businesses, corrupt officials, members of criminal organizations such as the Mafia, and even states.

As financial crime has become more complex, and “Financial Intelligence” (FININT) has become more recognized in combating international crime and terrorism, money laundering has become more prominent in political, economic, and legal debate. Money laundering is illegal; the acts generating the money almost always are **themselves** criminal in some way (for if not, the money would not need to be laundered).

From **Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia** Sept 2009

A) Comprehension (7pts)

1. **The text is** : (0,5) a) expository b) narrative c) argumentative

2. Are the following statements true or false? Write ‘T’ or ‘F’ next to the letter corresponding to the statement. (1,5 pts)

- a) Money laundering is the process of making the illegally gained money legal.
- b) In the past, the term money laundering was not restricted to actions related to crimes.
- c) Money laundering has become less important in political, economic, and legal debate.

3. Answer the following questions according to the text. (3pts)

- a) How is money laundering defined by the American law?
- b) Who are the people that can commit money laundering?
- c) Why has money laundering become more prominent in political, economic and legal debates?

4. In which paragraph is it mentioned that it becomes too difficult to fight money laundering:.....(0,5pt)

5. Choose the general idea of the text. (0,75)

- a) Money laundering has varying definitions.
- b) Money laundering is committed by criminal organizations

6. What or who do the underlined words in the text refer to? (0,75)

- a) The act (§2)
- b) which (§3)
- c) Themselves (§4)...

B/ Text Exploration (07pts)

1. Find in the text words or phrases that are closest in meaning to the following (1pt)

- a) things owned by somebody (§2)=.....
- b) money that has to be paid to a government for public services (§3)=

2. Give the opposites of the following words keeping the same roots. (1pt)

- a) appearance b) legitimate c) economic d) practicable

3. Complete the table (1pt)

Verb	Noun	Adjective
To finance		
To abuse		Abusive
.....	Corruption	

4. Rewrite sentence (b) so that it means the same as sentence (a).(2pts)

- 1(a) Today its definition is often expanded by government and international regulators.
- (b) Government and international regulators.....

2(a) The government must fight money laundering.

(b) It's high time the.....

5. Reorder the following sentences to make a coherent passage.(1pt)

- a) It is clear that such activity damages the financial sector institutions,
- b) and can distort the economy's external sector to the detriment of long-term economic development.
- c) Money laundering has negative effects on economic development.
- d) reduces productivity in economy by diverting resources and encouraging crime and corruption,

6. Mark the stress on the following words (1pt)

- a) economy b) economic c) criminal d) conceal

Part Two: Written Expression (06pts)

Choose **ONE** of the following topics:

Either Topic One: Money laundering is an immoral act that has many negative results. Use the following

notes to write a composition about this phenomenon.

- create an economic instability
- lose control of economic policies
- lose revenue and benefits
- social costs and risks

Or Topic Two: Write a composition of about 100 words on the following topic.

The role of whistle-blowing has become important in today's society. Do you think it is important to denounce illegal practices? How do you think this can make a change in the society?

Correction

A/ Reading Comprehension (7pts)

1. **The text is:** expository
2. **Are the following statements true or false?**
a) T b) F c) F
3. **Answer the questions according to the text**
a) In American law, money laundering is the practice of engaging in financial transactions to conceal the identity, source, or destination of illegally gained money.
b) The people that can commit money laundering are private individuals, drug dealers, businesses, corrupt officials, members of criminal organizations such as the Mafia, and even states
c) because financial crime has become more complex, and "Financial Intelligence" has become more recognized in combating international crime and terrorism.
4. **It is mentioned :** in the last paragraph (§4)
5. **The general idea of the text** is: A) money laundering has a varying definitions
6. **What or who do the underlined words in the text refer to?**
a) The act :money laundering b) Which: illegal act c) Themselves: the acts generating the money

B/ Text Exploration (7pts)

1. **Find in the text words or phrases that are closest in meaning to the following**
a) Things owned by somebody=property b) Money that has to be paid to a government for public services= tax .
2. **Give the opposites of the following words by keeping the same root**
a) disappearance b) illegitimate c) uneconomic d) impracticable
3. **Complete the table**

Verb	Noun	Adjective
To finance	finance	financial
To abuse	abuse	abusive
To corrupt	corruption	corrupt
4. **Rewrite sentence "b" so that it means the same as sentence "a"**
1(b) Government and international regulators **expand** its definition today.
2(b) It's high time the government **fought** money laundering.
5. **Reorder the following sentences to make a coherent passage**

. 1 → c 2 → a 3 → d 4 → b

6. **Mark the stress on the following words**
a) economy ,b) economistic c) criminal d) conceal

Part Two: Written Expression(6pts)

1. Content/ format relevance to topic
2. Logical structuring of ideas/ use of markers
3. Language correctness: spelling/ punctuation
4. Choice of appropriate structure/ lexis