Divide into groups of three or four

Write a paper of 1000 words – no more
Font – at least 14

Choose one of the three following topics:

1. You work for one of the global auto companies in the UK production facilities. Your boss has asked you to write her a memo on whether they should expand or contract those production facilities because of the fact that the UK is outside the Euro Zone. Other auto companies have split. Some have announced that they are contracting in the UK because they don’t want to take the foreign exchange risk and others are expanding. What should your company do – expand or contract?

2. You work for a high tech company in California. Your boss has asked you to write him a memo on whether they should plan to move their production activities out of California given California’s messed up electricity market. It takes years to build new electrical generating facilities. Will other parts of America shortly have the same problems? What state electricity policies, if they were adopted, would make you stay in California? He also wants to know the macro-economic implications of electrical shortages on the US economy. Should one expect lower growth rates going forward?

3. Since government surpluses are by definition 100 percent saved, President Bush’s announced tax cut is de facto a plan to lower the American savings rate. If American savings go down, either Americans must invest less or the rest of the world must lend us more. You work for a firm making investment equipment. Your bass wants you to write her a memo on whether the firm should as a result plan for lower future sales, i.e., do you think that the rest of the world will be willing to lend America substantially more than it is now lending?