Name

European Union Webquest

Directions: Your job is to follow the instructions here or at www.mrtavani.com to do research on the European Union. Working in partners, you will find out what the EU is, the countries that belong to it, and how a country becomes a member. Then, you will do research on ONE of three candidate countries that have applied to join the EU. Your job is to see if they qualify and to write a one page report either recommending or not recommending your country for membership in the EU.

# What is the European Union?

Go to http://europa.eu/abc/panorama/index\_en.htm to answer the following questions.

1. What is the European Union?

2. What are the EU's goals or aims? What have the results of the EU been so far?

Go to http://europa.eu/abc/european\_countries/index\_en.htm to answer the next two questions.

3. Which European countries are members of the EU?

4. Which countries are candidate countries for joining the EU?

#### How does a country become a member of the EU?

Go to http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/enlargement\_process/accession\_process/criteria/index\_en.htm to read about how a country can join the EU.

5. What are the three main criteria that a country needs to meet to be accepted into the European Union, decided on at the Copenhagen European Council in 1993?

1.

- 2.
- 3.

## What does the EU do?

Go to http://europa.eu/abc/panorama/whatdoes/index\_en.htm to read about many of the projects the EU works on.

6. Of all of the things the EU does, which one do you think is the most important? Give at least two reasons to support your opinion.

## Joining the EU?

In question 4 you researched the three countries that have applied to join the EU. In question 5, you researched the criteria a country needs to meet to be able to join the EU. Now you will do research on ONE of those countries from question 4 and write a report either recommending the EU accept that country or decline to accept the country to join. MAKE SURE THAT YOU USE THE CRITERIA TO JUDGE WHETHER THE CANDIDATE COUNTRY SHOULD BE ADMITTED INTO THE EUROPEAN UNION.

\*\*IN ORDER TO SCORE ALL 10 POINTS FOR THE REPORT SECTION OF THE ASSIGNMENT YOU NEED TO REFER TO ALL THREE OF THE CRITERIA FROM THE COPENHAGEN EUROPEAN COUNCIL.

The following websites will help you research each country.

https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/

http://news.bbc.co.uk/ (BBC News has a country profile for most countries. Type the country's name into the search bar.) Also, feel free to use news articles about the country's candidacy for membership in the EU.

http://www.countryreports.org/

Use the section below to take notes on the country you research.

**Country Researched:** 

**Notes:** 

## **Report to the European Commission**

The country \_\_\_\_\_\_ should or should not be admitted to the (Circle one) European Union. Below you will find our analysis of \_\_\_\_\_\_'s status

in regard to the accession criteria from the Copenhagen European Council in 1993.