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International Business: Environments and Operations, 15e, Global Edition (Daniels et al.)

## **Chapter 15: Forms and Ownership of Foreign Production**

## Multiple Choice: Select one best answer according to the Textbook:

- 1) Coca-Cola collaborates extensively abroad, but it refuses collaboration that might imperil control of its core competency. As a result, which of the following is NOT one of its international collaborative forms?
- A) sharing ownership in the production of its secret formula concentrate
- B) using franchisers to bottle, sell, and deliver Coke beverages
- C) licensing Coke's trademark for use on products in which it lacks skills
- D) forming joint ventures with companies that provide supplies for Coke products
- 5) Small economies are sometimes less successful than large countries in attracting FDI by raising import restrictions. What is the most likely reason for this?
- A) Large economies impose higher trade restrictions.
- B) Transportation costs are generally higher in small economies.
- C) People in small economies are more nationalistic in their purchases.
- D) Small economies frequently lack sufficient markets for large-scale production.
- 9) Why can a company more easily pursue a global strategy when it owns 100 percent of foreign operations?
- A) The company is not likely to face overcapacity issues.
- B) The company limits foreign-exchange rate fluctuations.
- C) The company avoids communication misunderstandings.
- D) The company can sub-optimize results in one country in order to optimize results globally.
- 11) A company that makes a foreign investment largely to acquire knowledge is most likely to use \_\_\_\_\_ as a means of expansion.
- A) a greenfield investment
- B) internalization
- C) an acquisition
- D) a licensing agreement
- 12) Executives at a U.S. firm are debating whether to start a new operation in Russia or acquire an existing one. Which of the following factors best supports a decision to start up a new operation in Russia?
- A) The Russian government places restrictions on the outward transfer of foreign capital.
- B) Labor relations at existing Russian firms are poor and difficult to change.
- C) Russia's currency is weak and stock market prices are significantly depressed.
- D) Existing companies have goodwill and positive brand recognition in Russia.
- 13) A greenfield investment is another name for a company's decision to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- A) acquire an interest in an existing foreign operation
- B) implement sustainable marketing practices
- C) construct a new facility in a foreign market
- D) build a facility for a local company
- 19) The more a company engages in international collaborative arrangements as opposed to wholly owned foreign operations, the more it is likely to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) decrease its exposure to political risk
- B) increase its control over foreign operations
- C) learn rapidly about foreign environments
- D) protect its core assets

20) What is a key industry?
A) an industry that is locked up competitively by domestic producers
B) a turnkey operator specializing in the construction of infrastructure components
C) an industry that receives government subsidies
D) an industry that significantly affects the economy by virtue of its size or influence on other
sectors
23) Dependencia theory holds that
A) countries should seek to diversify their economies
B) low-income countries have practically no power in dealings with MNEs
C) in a globalized world, no nation can be independent economically or politically
D) there is a natural division of labor whereby developing countries depend on production using
fairly unskilled labor and developed countries depend on highly educated workers
Answer: B
24) Chrysler granted South East Motor (a company in China) rights to produce its Grand
Voyager minivan for sale in China in exchange for a fee. This is an example of a(n)
A) licensing agreement
B) bargaining school arrangement
C) technology appropriation
D) turnkey operation
27) What is the primary reason for technology licensing to take place while a product is still in
the developmental stage?
A) to enable the licensor to receive some earnings in case the technology never becomes
operative
B) to ensure that a product launches in various countries at about the same time
C) to gain funds to complete the development
D) to reduce transaction costs
31) Judson Baked Goods, a U.S. firm, grants the use of its trademark to a company in Sweden
and provides the Swedish company with operational assistance on a continuing basis. Judson is
most likely involved in
A) a management contract
B) franchising
C) offshoring
D) appropriability
32) What is a master franchise?
A) the original agreement between the franchisor and franchisee
B) the franchisee with the highest revenue in a region
C) a franchisee with rights to open outlets on its own or develop subfranchises
D) the set of standard terms regulating the relationship between franchisor and franchisee
33) Lesser-known franchisors sometimes enter foreign countries with company-owned outlets. A
reason for doing this is to
A) guarantee profits
B) avoid competition
C) compete with local stores
D) attract potential franchisees

- 34) Franchisees sometimes wish to change the product or service offered by the franchisor to better fit local market needs abroad. Why are these changes a problem for franchisors?
- A) Too many changes eliminate the need for the franchisors.
- B) The royalties as a percentage of sales decrease.
- C) Governments impose more stringent operating restrictions.
- D) Sales decrease because consumers want to get the "real thing."
- 35) Metro Hotels, a U.S. hotel chain, has transferred several of its employees to Myanmar where they will work for three or four years before returning to the U.S. The employees will be working with a Myanmar hotel to provide it with their extensive knowledge regarding how to run a hotel. Metro is most likely involved in a
- A) franchise
- B) turnkey operation
- C) joint venture
- D) management contract
- 36) For the provider, management contracts offer the advantage of \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) receiving income without making a capital outlay
- B) increasing their merchandise exports
- C) reducing their global taxes
- D) better access to raw materials
- 37) The advantage to host countries of international management contracts is that they
- A) receive state-of-the-art facilities
- B) get assistance without foreign control
- C) can pay in local currency
- D) save on making capital investments
- 39) What is a turnkey operation?
- A) a contract for the complete construction of an operating facility for a fee
- B) a contract with a government to service one of its key industries
- C) the buying of another company
- D) the repatriation of equity
- 42) Why do turnkey operators often require a feasibility study as part of the contract?
- A) By adding to the cost, they earn more money.
- B) This lessens the risk of contract cancellation when political leadership changes.
- C) This lowers their risk of foreign-exchange losses.
- D) This helps to define what constitutes "satisfactory completion" of the project.
- 43) What is an international joint venture?
- A) an international agreement between two or more companies to have access to each other's patents
- B) the ownership of a company by two or more companies, of which at least one is a foreign company where the venture is located
- C) an international agreement between two or more firms for the use of a trademark
- D) an agreement between two or more organizations to share management expertise
- 44) What is an international consortium?
- A) the ownership of a company by a government and a foreign company
- B) an agreement signed by most governments to protect intellectual property rights
- C) an international joint venture owned by at least three organizations
- D) an agreement between two or more governments to provide for reciprocal foreign investment protection

- 46) What is an equity alliance?
- A) a collaborative arrangement in which at least one collaborating company takes an ownership position in the other
- B) a collaboration in which each contributor receives an equitable return based on relative contribution
- C) a collaboration in which partners agree to share technology with each other
- D) a wholly owned acquisition to prevent appropriation of intellectual property
- 48) When a large company and a small company enter a collaborative arrangement, . . .
- A) the large company is expected to contribute more to the arrangement
- B) the large company is likely to be more active in the venture
- C) the small company is more likely to view the collaboration's expansion as competition to itself
- D) the small company is likely to be disadvantaged if legal action is necessary to solve a dispute
- 50) When a company's primary motive for entering a collaborative arrangement is to learn from its partner, it is likely to \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) leave control to its partner
- B) "go it alone" after it has learned what it needs to know
- C) have disagreements with the partner over quality issues
- D) prefer the arrangement to be a licensing agreement

## **SHORT ANSWER:**

- 90) In a short essay, discuss how transportation, trade restrictions, domestic capacity, and country-of-origin affect companies' decisions about modes of operating internationally.
- 97) What is a turnkey operation? What features generally make turnkey operations different from other collaborative arrangements?