
Scenario B

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Introduction

A company wants to locate to the town. It would be a major new source of employment and generate income for the town's economy. However, the major work of the company is in the arms industry. It makes highly specialised components for nuclear weapons for the government.

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For argument

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- The company would boost the town's economy. This would also be a major source of employment, which would therefore result in more jobs being available. This therefore results in a reduced number of homeless and unemployed people in the area. A boost in the economy may also mean a decrease in taxes.
- The arms company would mean that people have access to guns, which are (at the moment) prohibited in the UK. This means that the citizens can protect themselves against crime, i.e. mugging and robberies. This may result in a reduced crime rate in the area.
- This proposal would increase tourism into the area, which would also be a new major source on which the town can benefit from - generating income for the town's economy. Tourism can increase a country's economy in multiple ways. It can be a significant source of currency, which is important for many developing countries which do not have established industrial bases. Tourism does not rely on extractive industries. The more tourists that come to your country, the more they will encourage others to visit, thus causing the tourism industry to develop. In this way, the tourism business does not suffer from a decreased margin.
- The government's access to nuclear weapons would result in a lower UK death rate, as we would have better tactics and more developed weaponry. Nuclear weapons have guaranteed our security for two generations. They remain the ultimate deterrent to any aggressor and the best means of ensuring peace. It is desirable to check nuclear proliferation, but probably impossible. So it would be foolish to get rid of our nuclear weapons when potentially hostile states are about to acquire a nuclear capability.