

**BACCALAURÉAT GÉNÉRAL**

**Sujet**

**Enseignement de spécialité**

**« Langues, littératures et cultures étrangères et régionales »**

**ANGLAIS, MONDE CONTEMPORAIN**

**Épreuve écrite de terminale**

**DURÉE DE L'ÉPREUVE : 3h30**

**Le candidat traitera l'ensemble du sujet 1.**

**Le dictionnaire unilingue (non encyclopédique) est autorisé.**

## **Le sujet porte sur la thématique “Relations au Monde”**

### **Partie 1 (16 points)**

**Prenez connaissance du dossier proposé, composé des documents A, B et C non hiérarchisés, et traitez en anglais le sujet suivant (500 mots maximum) :**

Taking into account their specificities and viewpoints, say what the documents show about the changing relationship between the U.S. and China. You will pay particular attention to:

- tensions;
- reasons;
- possible evolutions.

### **Partie 2 (4 points)**

**Traduisez en français le passage suivant du document C :**

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## DOCUMENT A

### China urges Biden to correct Trump policy, as US sends negative signals

China on Tuesday called on the new administration of US President Joe Biden to reverse what officials called the "wrong policies" toward China under former president Donald Trump, and instead take a positive and constructive approach to pull bilateral ties back to the right path, in a direct response to what analysts said was rather negative signals from the new US administration of repeating similar grievances and ill intentions that were a hallmark of the previous government.

In the first public remarks from the Biden administration regarding policies toward China, the White House vowed to take an "approach of patience" to review the relationship, echoing Trump's thoroughly debunked accusations against China's trade practices and criticisms of China's internal and foreign policies.

Such remarks could signal that the Biden administration will likely continue the misguided attempt to contain China's rise to preserve US dominance, though specific tactics may differ from those of Trump's, Chinese analysts said, adding that China has made clear that it would reject any bullying tactics and ideologically and politically motivated sanctions and that any relationship must be based on mutual respect and equality. (...)

"We hope the new US administration can learn from the Trump administration's wrong policies toward China, treat China and China-US relations objectively and rationally, adopt a positive and constructive policy toward China... pushing China-US ties back on the right track of sound and stable development," Zhao Lijian, a spokesperson for the Chinese Foreign Ministry, said at a routine press conference in Beijing on Tuesday when asked about the latest remarks from the US. (...)

At the WEF speech on Monday night, Xi made clear China's stance on international relations and multilateral cooperation. Xi said that "to build small circles or start a new Cold War, to reject, threaten or intimidate others, to willfully impose decoupling, supply disruption or sanctions" would only push the world into confrontation. He urged countries to abandon "ideological prejudice and jointly follow a path of peaceful coexistence."

While the speech focused on multilateralism, the points also apply to China-US ties, as some in the US are pushing for ideological and political confrontation and seeking a "multilateral approach" to unite allies against China, analysts said.

Yang Sheng, Wang Cong and Li Xuanmin Jan 26, 2021, [www.globaltimes.cn](http://www.globaltimes.cn)\*

\*an *English-language Chinese newspaper*

**DOCUMENT B**



**US-China relations: Trump fury is gone but Joe Biden more than capable of talking tough**

[www.scmp.com](http://www.scmp.com)\*

\* *The South China Morning Post is an English-language newspaper based in Hong Kong*

## DOCUMENT C

### **Biden Commerce nominee vows to protect U.S. networks from Huawei, ZTE**

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - President Joe Biden's nominee to head the U.S. Commerce Department on Tuesday vowed to protect U.S. telecommunications networks from Chinese companies, but she refused to commit to keeping telecommunications giant Huawei Technologies on a U.S. economic blacklist.

"I would use the full toolkit at my disposal to the fullest extent possible to protect Americans and our network from Chinese interference or any kind of back-door influence," Rhode Island Governor Gina Raimondo said in testimony before the U.S. Senate Commerce Committee, naming Huawei and ZTE Corp. Congress in December approved \$1.9 billion to fund the replacement of ZTE and Huawei equipment in U.S. networks.

The Commerce Department under former President Donald Trump took aim at China on numerous fronts, adding dozens of Chinese companies to a trade blacklist, including Huawei, the country's top chipmaker SMIC, Hikvision and drone manufacturer SZ DJI Technology.

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If confirmed, Raimondo will inherit the prior Trump administration's unsuccessful effort to bar U.S. app stores from offering Chinese-owned TikTok or WeChat for download.

Three U.S. judges blocked Commerce Department orders issued under Trump that sought to bar new downloads of the two apps and impose restrictions on WeChat and TikTok that would effectively bar their use in the United States. Those rulings are on appeal before U.S. circuit courts.

Under pressure from the U.S. government, ByteDance has been in talks for months to finalize a deal with Walmart Inc and Oracle Corp to shift TikTok's U.S. assets into a new entity to address U.S. security concerns.

Raimondo also pledged to take "aggressive" action in response to trade practices from China. "China's actions have been anticompetitive," she added, saying she would use all available tools to "level the playing field."

By David Shepardson, reuters.com\*, January 26 2021

\* a **British** news group