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Application Activity

Part A – Identify the appropriate branch an individual or organization would need to address each public policy described and identify the government level that would address that issue.

| <u>Issue</u> | <u>Branch of Government</u> | <u>Level of Government</u> |
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| 1.) An organization begins a letter writing campaign to get a law passed requiring who ride bicycles in a state park to wear protective gear. | 1.) | 1.) |
| 2.) An individual wants to mandate that student cannot wear trench coats in school or when testifying at a school board meeting. | 2.) | 2.) |
| 3.) An international oil company lobbyist meets with an agency about to enact rules restricting oil use in the nation. | 3.) | 3.) |

Part B – Answer the following questions using your content in this unit.

_____ 4. How can a citizen become involved in supporting a public policy issue that affects the entire nation?

- A. by attending a community school board meeting
- B. by signing a petition to be sent to Congress
- C. by joining a neighborhood watch group
- D. to volunteer to work in a senior citizen center

_____ 5. Which action is an example of lobbying for a special interest group?

- A. labor union members threatening to strike if their company opens a factory in a foreign country
- B. members of Congress introducing a bill that will provide low-interest college loans
- C. a congressional committee investigating the activities of organized crime
- D. several lumber companies asking Senators to allow logging on federal lands

_____ 6. Which is the primary purpose of a lobbyist in the political process?

- A. to draft bills for legislators
- B. to present the views of special interest groups on proposed legislation
- C. to locate citizens willing to run for public office
- D. to provide legislators with unbiased information on important issues

Identify 4 ways individuals and organizations are involved in Public Policy.

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