## 97 學年度服務業經營管理研究所入學考試 英文試題

## I. Translate the following English news article into Chinese: (70%)

Economist Says Fuel Prices Should Increase 10 Percent

The government should immediately raise domestic fuel prices by 10 percent while hiking electricity and liquefied natural gas (LNG) prices by 30 percent and 40 percent respectively in two phases to lower the impact on the nation's low-income households, an economist said yesterday.

"I suggest the government first raise electricity and LNG prices by 15 percent and 20 percent respectively this year and then decide whether to adjust prices again next year, based on future energy prices," Liang Chi-yuan (梁啓源), a research fellow at the Institute of Economics at Academia Sinica (中研院), said yesterday.

International crude oil prices, Liang said, have increased from US\$79 per barrel in November, when the government implemented its freeze on domestic fuel prices, to US\$116.67 per barrel as of Sunday — a 47 percent increase, exceeding his original forecast.

Domestic fuel prices are expected to rise by about NT\$3 per liter, or a 10 percent price hike, Liang said.

He also said soaring international crude oil prices were not the result of a global supply shortage, but rather the international low interest rate environment and hot money.

"If the US Federal Reserve could stop cutting or even start raising its benchmark interest rate, it would help drive down international crude oil prices," he said.

II. The tourism business is one of the largest employers in Penghu. As a would-be service management expert, what would you do to promote a "green" tourism business? Please write a short passage of 150 words in English regarding this issue. (30%)