**PART I. Put the chunks into correct order to create a meaningful sentence.**

---- to be classified as a desert, an area must get less than 25 centimetres of rainfall per year ----

---- that thrive on only small amounts of water

---- although deserts do not receive a high amount of rainfall

---- and deserts are often full of such plant life

---- there are many plants

**PART II. Answer the following questions according to the information in the sentences below.**

**A. Ankara says it will block EU participation in an upcoming NATO summit unless the Organization of the Islamic Cooperation (OIC) is also allowed to be present.**

summit: 1. MEETING an important formal meeting between leaders of governments from two or more countries

2. HIGHEST POINT (of something eg. a mountain or success)

1. What is Ankara [the Turkish government] planning to do?  
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2. What is the condition that Ankara will NOT do this?  
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**B. EU member states proposed participation by some of the top EU bureaucrats, including European Commission President José Manuel Barroso and President of the European Council Herman Van Rompuy, who are now unsure whether they will be able to attend the summit taking in Chicago on May 20-21 as representatives of the union due to the objections from Turkey.**

1. What did EU member states propose?  
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2. What are the top EU bureaucrats now unsure of?  
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3. Why are they now unsure of this?  
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PART III. Combine the following simple sentences to make one long meaningful sentence. Use ‘while’ to show concession. Remember: If the subjects of a main clause and adverb clause are the same, you can make the adverb clause non-finite by omitting its subject and tense.

EU member countries pointed out the EU's commitment to a NATO peace mission in Afghanistan.*
EU member countries argued that the EU should be represented in the summit.
EU member countries include France.
Turkey maintained that there should only be member state participation in the summit.

(*‘turn the underlined part of this sentence into non-finite by omitting its subject and tense’)

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