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Assessment Unit AS 2

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Module 2: The British Political Process

[AQ121]



TUESDAY 27 JANUARY, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 45 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer Questions **1** to **4** and either **5(a)** or **5(b)**.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 60.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Questions **4** and **5**.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

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- 1 Identify **two** ways in which a backbench MP can propose legislation. [4]
- 2 What is meant by the term “Chief Whip”?
- 3 Explain two criticisms of the composition of the House of Lords. [10]
- 4 Explain how MPs can perform their representative role. [16]
- 5 **Either**
- (a) “The Judiciary is completely under the control of the government.” Assess the accuracy of this statement. [24]
- Or**
- (b) “The Executive completely dominates the legislative process.” Discuss the validity of this statement. [24]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
