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**ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY (AS)
General Certificate of Education
2012**

Government and Politics

Assessment Unit AS 1

**The Government and
Politics of Northern Ireland**

[AQ111]

MONDAY 11 JUNE, MORNING



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TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided. Study the source provided and answer questions **1** and **2** and either **3(a)** or **3(b)**.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 50.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in questions **2** and **3**.

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

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

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

You are advised to study the source before attempting to answer questions **1** and **2**, and to refer to the source in your answers to these questions.

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Study the source below and answer the questions that follow:

Source

The Hillsborough Agreement of 2010 finally resolved the issues of policing and justice. However, although the parading issue was not resolved at that time, the First Minister and Deputy First Minister decided to set up a working group to review this issue. It was recognised that support from all sides of the community was needed to manage and regulate parades.

Adapted from: the Belfast Telegraph 5 February 2010.

- 1 With reference to the Source and any other relevant material you have studied, explain **two** areas of disagreement between the DUP and Sinn Féin. [8]

- 2 With reference to the Source and any other relevant material you have studied, explain how DUP policies have changed since 2003. [16]

- 3 **Either**
 - (a) Assess the view that, since 2007, the Northern Ireland Executive has failed to deliver a power-sharing government for Northern Ireland. [26]

Or

 - (b) Assess the view that, since 2007, the Assembly has been successful in holding the Executive to account. [26]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER

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