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Government and Politics

Assessment Unit AS 2

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Module 2: The Inter-relationships
of the United Kingdom Executive,
Legislature and Judiciary

[ASQ21]

THURSDAY 10 JANUARY, AFTERNOON



TIME

1 hour.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **all three** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 35.
Quality of written communication will be assessed in questions **2** and **3**.
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 and explain **three** criticisms of Select Committees in the House of Commons. [9]

2 **Either**

(a) What criticisms have been made of the membership of the judiciary? [10]

Or

(b) What criticisms have been made of the Prime Minister's powers of patronage? [10]

3 **Either**

(a) "Executive dominance of the Commons is now a permanent feature of the British political system." Discuss. [16]

Or

(b) "The House of Lords is often the only real opposition to the government." Discuss. [16]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
