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Assessment Unit A2 3

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Module 8: Political Power

Module 9: The Contemporary Relevance
of Political Ideologies

[A2Q31]

FRIDAY 22 MAY, MORNING



TIME

1 hour.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **either** Section A on Module 8 **or** Section B on Module 9.
Answer **one** question from your chosen section.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 30.
Quality of written communication will be assessed in **all** questions.
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 reminded of the requirement to demonstrate knowledge, understanding and skills acquired from other modules in answering the question.

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You should answer **one** question from **either** Section A **or** Section B

Section A

Module 8: Political Power

- 1 Evaluate the view that the concentration of political power is an inevitable feature of all political systems. [30]
- 2 Evaluate the view that all mechanisms designed to limit the growing power of the state have ultimately failed. [30]

Section B

Module 9: The Contemporary Relevance of Political Ideologies

- 1 Evaluate Burke's argument that human freedom is impossible unless it is restricted by the state. [30]
- 2 Evaluate Marx and Engels' view that capitalism is a system of exploitation that increases human misery for the majority of the population. [30]

THIS IS THE END OF THE QUESTION PAPER
