

# OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

**Advanced GCE** 

## GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

2694

**US Government & Politics** 

Tuesday 28 JUNE 2005 Morning 1 hour 30 minutes

Each candidate must be given: 8-page answer booklet.

**TIME** 1 hour 30 minutes

### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, Centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer three questions.
- Answers should be written in continuous prose.
- If you use additional sheets of paper, fasten these securely to the answer booklet.

#### INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is shown in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 90.
- You will be awarded marks for quality of written communication including clarity of expression, structure and presentation of ideas, spelling, punctuation and grammar.

This question paper consists of 2 printed pages.

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### Answer three questions.

1	Discuss the factors which have influenced voting behaviour in recent American elections.	[30]	
2	Analyse the claim that America still has a two-party system.		[30]
3	Assess whether pressure groups have too much influence on the functions of Congress. [3	30]	
4	Examine the claim that the checks and balances between the president and Congress inevitable lead to gridlock.	oly	[30]
5	Evaluate the importance of the roles played by committees in the legislative process.	[30]	
6	Examine the claim that most presidents make little use of the cabinet.		[30]
7	Discuss the extent to which a president can influence the Supreme Court.	[30]	
8	Examine the reasons for recent changes in the balance of power between the federal and stagovernments.	ate	[30]

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