

AS HISTORY

The Cold War, c1945–1963

Paper 2R

ADDITIONAL SPECIMEN QUESTION PAPER

1 hour 30 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

• an AQA 12-page answer book.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer book. The Paper Reference is 2R.
- Answer two questions.
 In Section A answer Question 01
 In Section B answer either 02 or 03

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 50.
- You will be marked on your ability to:
 - use good English
 - organise information clearly
 - use specialist vocabulary where appropriate.

Advice

- You are advised to spend about:
 - 50 minutes on Section A
 - 40 minutes on Section B.

Section A

Answer Question 01

Source A

From the '**Long Telegram**' by George Kennan, February 1946. Kennan was an expert adviser, deputy chief to the US mission in Moscow

Everything possible will be done by the Soviets to set major Western powers against each other. Where suspicions exist, they will be fanned; where not, ignited. No effort will be spared to discredit and combat all efforts that threaten to lead to any sort of unity or cohesion among others from which Russia might be excluded. Thus all forms of international organisation not amenable to Communist penetration and control must expect to find themselves under fire. The Soviet regime is a police regime par excellence, reared in the dim halfworld of Tsarist police intrigue, accustomed to think primarily in terms of police power. This should never be lost sight of when gauging Soviet motives.

Source B

From a report on American foreign policy sent to Moscow by Nikolai Novikov in September 1946. Novikov was Soviet Ambassador to the United States.

The foreign policy of the United States, which reflects the imperialist tendencies of American monopolistic capitalism, is characterised in the postwar period by a striving for world supremacy. This is the real meaning of the many statements by President Truman and other representatives of American ruling circles; that the United States has the right to lead the world. All the forces of American diplomacy, army, air force, industry, and science, are enlisted in the service of this foreign policy. For this purpose, plans have been developed and are being implemented through diplomacy, through the establishment of a system of naval and air bases stretching far beyond the boundaries of the United States, through the arms race and the creation of ever newer weapons.

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With reference to these sources and your understanding of the historical context, which of these two sources is more valuable in explaining foreign policy aims of the USA and the USSR in 1946?

[25 marks]

Section B

Answer either Question 02 or Question 03

EITHER	
02	'The Western powers had considerable success in limiting the spread of Communism in Asia in the years 1949 to 1960.'
	Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. [25 marks]
OR	
0 3	'Credit for the peaceful resolution of the Cuban missile crisis should be shared equally between Khrushchev and Kennedy.'
	Explain why you agree or disagree with this view. [25 marks]

END OF QUESTIONS

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