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HISTORY B (MODERN WORLD)

Paper 1 (Core Content with Russia, 1905–1941)

WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE 2009: Morning

DURATION: 2 hours

SUITABLE FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR SUPPLIED MATERIALS:

8 page Answer Booklet

OTHER MATERIALS REQUIRED:

None

READ INSTRUCTIONS OVERLEAF

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- This paper consists of three sections.
In **SECTION A**, answer **EITHER** Question 1 **OR** Question 2.
In **SECTION B**, answer any **ONE** question.
In **SECTION C**, answer **QUESTION 7** and **ONE** other question.
- Write the numbers of the questions you have answered in the box on the front of the answer booklet.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 75.

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SECTION A

SOME OF THE QUESTIONS REQUIRE YOU TO USE A SOURCE. IN THESE QUESTIONS, YOU WILL NEED TO USE YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE TOPIC TO INTERPRET THE SOURCE.

You should spend about 15 minutes on this section.

ANSWER EITHER QUESTION 1 OR QUESTION 2.

- 1 Study the source carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE A

Still hope

[The title of a cartoon published in 1938. In the cartoon, a figure, representing Chamberlain, has large white birds' wings and is shown flying to Germany. Dark clouds are gathering behind him. Chamberlain is shown wearing a suit and carrying a briefcase and a branch with leaves on it]

- 1 (a) Study Source A.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer. [6]

- (b) Explain why Germany and the USSR signed the Nazi-Soviet Pact in 1939. [9]

- 2 Study the source carefully and then answer the questions which follow.**

SOURCE B

U.S. Imperialism, get out of South Viet Nam.

[The title of a Chinese poster commenting on the Vietnam War. It shows a soldier with a rifle who is about to throw a grenade. Behind him are two women in peasant clothing who are carrying weapons which they are ready to use]

- 2 (a) What is the message of this cartoon? Use details of the cartoon and your knowledge to explain your answer. [6]**
- (b) Explain why the USA became involved in Vietnam. [9]**

SECTION B

You should spend about 35 minutes on this section.

ANSWER ONE QUESTION FROM THIS SECTION.

YOU MUST ANSWER ALL PARTS OF THE QUESTION YOU CHOOSE.

- 3 (a) What military restrictions did the Treaty of Versailles impose on Germany? [4]**
- (b) Explain why the 'Big Three' disagreed over how to treat Germany. [6]**
- (c) 'Germany was treated fairly at Versailles.' How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]**
- 4 (a) What methods did the League of Nations plan to use to prevent future wars? [4]**
- (b) Explain why the structure of the League of Nations made it weak. [6]**
- (c) 'The Manchurian Crisis of 1931 was the main cause of the failure of the League of Nations.' How far do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer. [10]**

- 5 (a) What was decided at the Yalta Conference of February 1945? [4]**
- (b) Explain why the USA introduced the Marshall Plan. [6]**
- (c) How successful was Soviet expansion in Europe by 1948? Explain your answer. [10]**
- 6 (a) What was the Warsaw Pact? [4]**
- (b) Explain why the USSR sent tanks into Czechoslovakia in August 1968. [6]**
- (c) How far was 'Solidarity' responsible for the decline of Soviet control over Eastern Europe? Explain your answer. [10]**

SECTION C: DEPTH STUDY

RUSSIA, 1905–1941

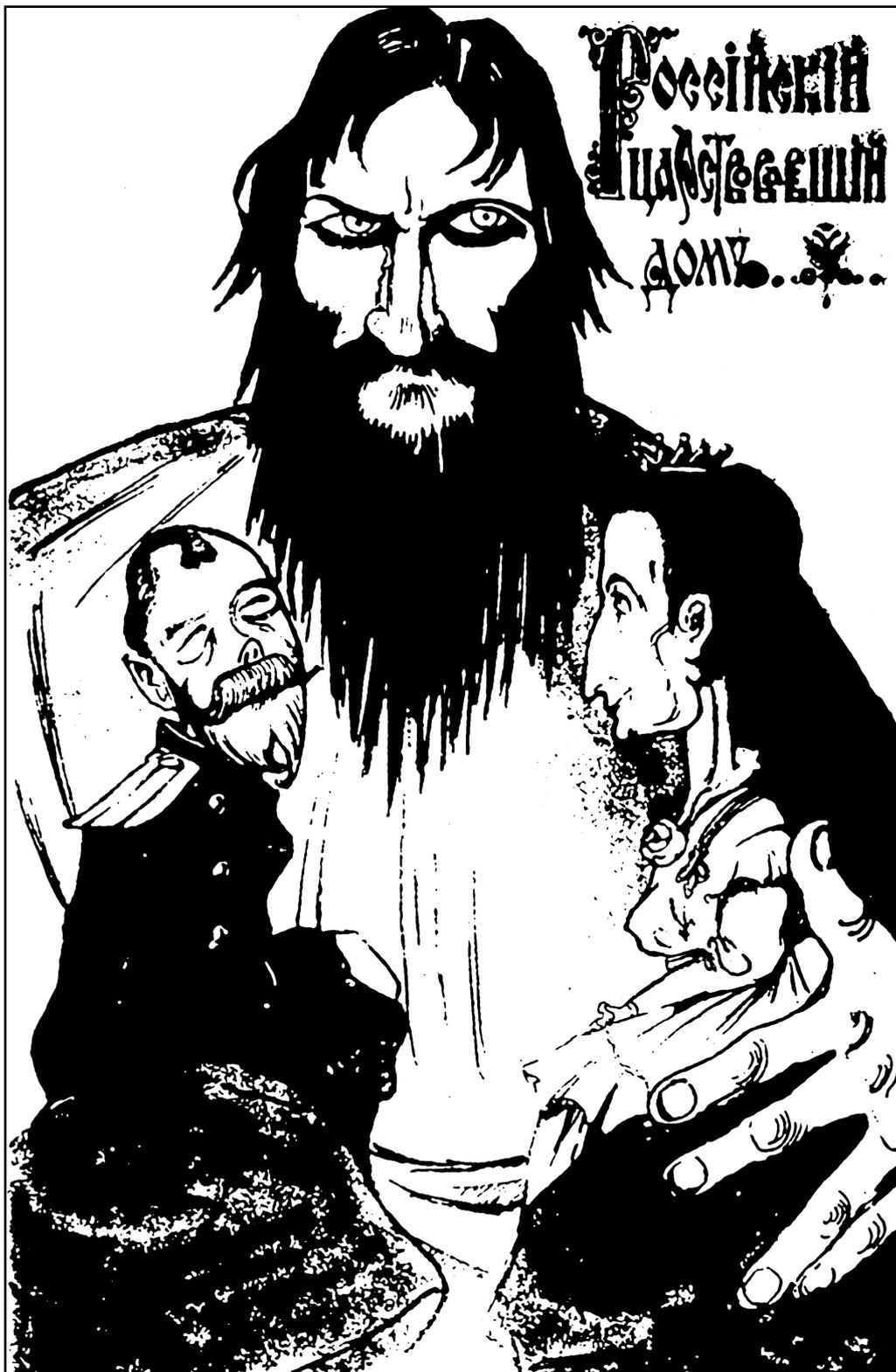
SOME OF THE QUESTIONS REQUIRE YOU TO USE SOURCES. IN THESE QUESTIONS, YOU WILL NEED TO USE YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE TOPIC TO INTERPRET AND EVALUATE THE SOURCES. WHEN YOU ARE ASKED TO USE SPECIFIC SOURCES YOU MUST DO SO, BUT YOU MAY ALSO USE ANY OF THE OTHER SOURCES WITHIN THE QUESTION IF THEY ARE RELEVANT.

You should spend about 70 minutes on this section.

ANSWER QUESTION 7 AND ONE OTHER QUESTION.

7 Study the sources carefully and then answer the questions which follow.

SOURCE C



[A Russian cartoon of Rasputin with the Tsar and Tsarina. The caption reads 'The Russian Tsars at home']

SOURCE D

Rule the country so our enemies are afraid of us.

[From a Russian postcard issued in 1916. It is a line from a song entitled 'God save the Tsar'. The postcard shows the Tsar as Commander-in-Chief. On the left hand side of the postcard, there is a picture of cavalry charging into battle, with aircraft in the distance behind them. On the other side of the Tsar, there is a picture of large battleships at sea]

SOURCE E

The strikers and rioters in the city are now more defiant than ever. Youngsters are running around shouting that they have no bread. But it will not last providing the Duma does not cause trouble. The papers do not report the most disloyal of the speeches in the Duma. However, I think there should be immediate and severe punishment for speaking against the Tsar.

[From a letter from the Tsarina to her husband, the Tsar, 25 February 1917]

7 (a) Study Source C.

What is the message of this cartoon? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer.

[6]

(b) Study Source D.

Why was this postcard issued in Russia in 1916? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer.

[7]

(c) Study Source E.

How useful is this source as evidence about why the Tsar abdicated in March 1917? Use the source and your knowledge to explain your answer.

[7]

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TWO QUESTIONS.

YOU MUST ANSWER ALL PARTS OF THE QUESTION YOU CHOOSE.

- 8 (a) What problems did the Provisional Government face on taking over from the Tsar? [4]
- (b) Explain why the Bolsheviks gained popularity during 1917. [6]
- (c) The following were EQUALLY IMPORTANT to the Communist victory in the Civil War:
- (i) War Communism;
 - (ii) the role of Trotsky;
 - (iii) the 'Red Terror'.
- How far do you agree with this statement?
Explain your answer referring only to (i), (ii) and (iii). [10]

- 9 (a) What were Trotsky's main strengths? [4]
- (b) Explain why Stalin was able to defeat Trotsky in the leadership contest after Lenin's death. [6]
- (c) The following were EQUALLY IMPORTANT in allowing Stalin to achieve almost total control of the Soviet Union:
- (i) the use of propaganda;
 - (ii) the treatment of the kulaks;
 - (iii) the Purges and Show Trials.

How far do you agree with this statement?
Explain your answer referring only to (i), (ii) and (iii). [10]

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