

ECONOMICS STANDARD LEVEL PAPER 1

Monday 14 November 2005 (afternoon)

1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer one question.

 Use fully labelled diagrams and real-world examples where appropriate.

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Answer one question. Each question is worth [25 marks].

| 1. | (a) | Explain the importance of price in allocating scarce resources. | [10 marks] |
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| | (b) | Evaluate the possible consequences of implementing maximum and minimum price controls. | [15 marks] |
| 2. | (a) | Explain the costs of inflation and the costs of deflation. | [10 marks] |
| | (b) | Evaluate demand-side policies as a means of reducing inflation. | [15 marks] |
| 3. | (a) | Explain three factors which might cause the value of a currency to appreciate. | [10 marks] |
| | (b) | Evaluate the possible effects of such an appreciation on an economy. | [15 marks] |
| 4. | (a) | Explain two significant barriers to economic growth in LDCs. | [10 marks] |
| | (b) | Evaluate strategies that may be used to overcome the two barriers identified in (a). | [15 marks] |