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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

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Answer TWO questions, ONE from Section 1, and ONE from Section 2. Both questions carry equal marks. 'Scandinavia' in this context refers to Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

SECTION 1

- 1. EITHER: (a) Account for the relative severity of the splits within the Norwegian labour movement during the 1920s, compared with Sweden and Denmark.
 - OR: (b) Assess the significance of the left wing opposition to social democracy in Sweden and Denmark during the period 1900-1930.
- 2. Compare the role of the agrarian parties in Scandinavia in the social democrats' entry into government in the 1930s.
- 3. Account for the electoral dominance of social democratic parties in Scandinavia during the period 1945-1970.
- 4. How significant have the political challenges from the Left been for Scandinavian social democracy since 1970?

SECTION 2

- 5. "More than merely a political party, social democracy has represented an alternative culture in 20th century Scandinavia." Discuss this statement with particular reference to the inter-war period.
- 6. To what extent is it justifiable to see the Scandinavian welfare state as a social democratic project?
- 7. Evaluate the influence of EITHER the temperance movement OR the trade union movement on Scandinavian social democracy.
- 8. 'The Scandinavian model of social democracy is essentially a Swedish model.' Discuss.