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General Certificate of Education

Government and Politics

Assessment Unit AS 2
The British Political Process



SGP21

[SGP21] Assessment

Assessment Level of Control:

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TIME

1 hour 45 minutes.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number on the Answer Booklet provided.
Answer **all three** questions in Section A and then choose either to answer the **two** questions in Section B **or** the **two** questions in Section C.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is 60 marks.
Quality of written communication will be assessed in Questions **3(a)**, **3(b)**, **5** and **7**.
Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

You are advised to take account of the marks for each part question in allocating the available examination time.

Answer **all three** questions in Section A **and** then choose either to answer the **two** questions in Section B **or** the **two** questions in Section C

Section A: The UK Parliament and Executive

1 Identify **two** types of debate that take place in the House of Commons. [4]

2 Explain **two** ways in which MPs perform their scrutiny role. [10]

Either

3 (a) “Britain no longer has a system of Cabinet Government because of the increased dominance of the Prime Minister.” Discuss the validity of this statement. [26]

Or

(b) “Party dominance in the House of Commons has undermined the ability of MPs to perform their functions.” Discuss the validity of this statement. [26]

Section B: The Judiciary in the UK

4 Explain **one** strength of Judicial Inquiries. [5]

5 Explain the view that Judicial Review is an effective check on the power of the Executive. [15]

Or

Section C: Pressure Groups in the UK

6 Explain what is meant by the term “social movement”. Support your answer with a relevant example. [5]

7 Explain the reasons why some pressure groups remain “outsiders”. [15]

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