

Global politics Standard level Paper 2

Friday 10 November 2017 (morning)

1 hour 45 minutes

Instructions to candidates

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer two questions, each from a different unit of study. Each question is worth [25 marks].
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[50 marks]**.

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Power, sovereignty and international relations

- **1.** Examine the claim that state sovereignty is challenged by non-governmental organizations (NGOs), intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and other non-state actors (NSAs).
- **2.** Evaluate the function and impact of **one** of the following in dealing with global challenges:
 - Political parties
 - Intergovernmental organizations (IGOs)
 - Multinational corporations (MNCs)
 - Informal forums.

Human rights

- **3.** To what extent has the Universal Declaration of Human Rights provided the basis for contemporary political movements for social change?
- **4.** "Universal rights should take precedence over cultural relativism in the formation of human rights treaties and covenants." Discuss this view.

Development

- **5.** "Definitions of development that stress meeting basic needs should be replaced with definitions that focus on well-being." Discuss this statement.
- **6.** Discuss the view that harmful environmental factors represent the greatest threat to successful development.

Peace and conflict

- 7. Examine the claim that contrasting material interests are the main cause of conflicts.
- **8.** Discuss the view that non-violent methods are the only way to achieve lasting change in conflicts between the state and non-state actors.