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Global politics
Higher level and standard level
Paper 2

18 May 2026

Zone A afternoon | **Zone B** afternoon | **Zone C** afternoon

1 hour 45 minutes

Instructions to students

- Do not turn over this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Section A: answer one question.
- Section B: answer one question.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is **[30 marks]**.

Section A

Answer **one** question from this section. Each question is worth [15 marks].

Thematic studies

1. Evaluate the claim that civil society organizations are not effective in protecting human rights.
2. Examine the view that development and sustainability cannot be achieved at the same time.
3. To what extent is positive peace compatible with violence?

Section B

Answer **one** question from this section. Each question is worth [15 marks].

Integrating questions

4. “The enforcement of the responsibility to protect (R2P) commitment faces overwhelming challenges due to the role of sovereignty in global politics.” Discuss this claim.
 5. Discuss how development is hindered when marginalized people lack rights.
 6. To what extent are non-violent conflicts an obstacle to sustainable development?
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