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Unit 1

Option C: The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation

Wednesday 13 May 2015 – Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 20 minutes

Paper Reference

6HI01/C

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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **TWO** questions: **ONE** question on each of the **TWO** topics for which you have been prepared. You may only answer **ONE** question on each topic.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
 - *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
 - *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- The quality of your written communication will be assessed in **all** your responses
 - *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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6HI01/C – The British Empire: Colonisation and Decolonisation

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**You must start the answer to your first question on page 4.
You must start the answer to your second question on page 12.**

C1 – The Origins of the British Empire, c1680–1763

EITHER

- 1** How significant was the British East India Company in the growth of Empire in the years c1680–1763?

(Total for Question 1 = 30 marks)

OR

- 2** How far do you agree that the growth of the Atlantic slave trade was the most significant factor in the territorial expansion of the British Empire in the years c1680–1763?

(Total for Question 2 = 30 marks)

C2 – Relations with the American Colonies and the War of Independence, c1740–89

EITHER

- 3** Why, despite three years of apparent calm beforehand, did relations between Britain and the American colonies deteriorate so rapidly in the years 1773–75?

(Total for Question 3 = 30 marks)

OR

- 4** To what extent did the outcome of the American War of Independence undermine stability in Britain in the years 1783–1789?

(Total for Question 4 = 30 marks)

C3 – The Slave Trade, Slavery and the Anti-Slavery Campaigns, c1760–1833

EITHER

- 5** How accurate is it to say that slavery in the British colonies remained very important to the British economy in the years c1760–1833?

(Total for Question 5 = 30 marks)

OR

- 6** How far do you agree that the work of abolition societies was the most significant factor in bringing about the abolition of slavery in 1833?

(Total for Question 6 = 30 marks)



C4 – Commerce and Conquest: India, c1760–c1835

EITHER

- 7 How far do you agree that Cornwallis was the most successful Governor-General in the consolidation of British rule in India?

(Total for Question 7 = 30 marks)

OR

- 8 How successful were the British in overcoming external and internal threats to the expansion of their influence in India in the years c1760–1815?

(Total for Question 8 = 30 marks)

C5 – Commerce and Imperial Expansion, c1815–70

EITHER

- 9 To what extent was the expansion of British imperial influence in the years c1815–70 driven by the search for new sources of raw materials and foodstuffs?

(Total for Question 9 = 30 marks)

OR

- 10 How far do you agree that in the years c1815–70 British imperial policy was motivated by the desire to consolidate the territorial gains of 1815?

(Total for Question 10 = 30 marks)

C6 – Britain and the Scramble for Africa, c1875–1914

EITHER

- 11 To what extent does British reaction to events in Egypt and the Nile valley explain the continuous expansion of British influence in these areas in the years 1875–1904?

(Total for Question 11 = 30 marks)

OR

- 12 How far do you agree that the British and the Boers were equally responsible for the outbreak of the Second Boer War?

(Total for Question 12 = 30 marks)

C7 – Retreat from Empire: Decolonisation in Africa, c1957–81

EITHER

- 13 How far do you agree that the most significant influence on Britain's decision to dismantle its African Empire was the long-term economic and social impact of the Second World War?

(Total for Question 13 = 30 marks)

OR

- 14 To what extent was political stability established in the former British colonies in Africa in the 1960s and 1970s?

(Total for Question 14 = 30 marks)



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