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HISTORY ROUTE 2 HIGHER LEVEL PAPER 3 – ASPECTS OF THE HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS

Wednesday 12 May 2010 (morning)

2 hours 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- Answer three questions.



- 1. "American independence from Britain was not a revolution but an evolution." To what extent do you agree with this view?
- 2. To what extent were the wars of independence in Latin America due to the grievances of the Creoles against the peninsular Spaniards? Support your answer with reference to **one** independence movement.
- **3.** Why did the United States go to war against British North America in 1812?
- 4. Analyse the effects of the Mexican–American War (1846–1848) on the region.
- 5. "The Kansas–Nebraska problem destroyed the power of the Southern pro-slavery group." To what extent do you agree with this view?
- 6. To what extent was the victory of the North in the United States Civil War due to its superior industrial resources and manpower?
- 7. Compare and contrast the successes and failures of **one** United States leader and **one** Canadian leader between 1865 and 1929.
- 8. Discuss the impact of the development of the modern state (1865–1929) on the Native American population in **one** country of the region.
- 9. Assess the role of Canada in the First World War.
- **10.** Define the United States' policy of Moral Diplomacy and discuss its impact on the region.
- **11.** "Lázaro Cárdenas' rule (1934–1940) renewed the ideals of the Mexican Revolution." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- **12.** Analyse the influence of the Mexican Revolution on the arts.
- 13. "The prosperity of the 1920s in the Americas was more apparent than real." Using examples from two countries of the region, evaluate the validity of this statement.

- 14. Why was there opposition to the New Deal policies of Franklin D Roosevelt?
- 15. Analyse the social and economic effects of the Second World War on **one** country of the region.
- **16.** "The atomic bombs were necessary to end the Second World War." To what extent do you agree with this statement?
- 17. Assess the results of the Silent Revolution (Quiet Revolution) in Canada during the 1960s.
- **18.** Compare and contrast the rise to power of **two** populist leaders in Latin America between 1945 and 1979.
- **19.** Analyse the successes and failures of President Kennedy's foreign policies towards Latin America between 1961 and 1963.
- **20.** "During the Cold War, Canada and the United States had disagreements about policies." To what extent do you agree with this view?
- **21.** With reference to **two** countries of the region, to what extent did the civil rights of Native Americans change from the 1960s to the 1980s?
- **22.** Why was the African American Civil Rights Movement in the United States more effective in the years 1954 to 1964 than in the late 1960s?
- **23.** To what extent do you agree with the view that during the last decades of the twentieth century, access to new technology increased the gap between rich and poor nations?
- 24. Analyse the foreign policy of President George H W Bush (1989–1993) towards two countries of the region.