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Introduction to International Relations

Wednesday 10 May 2006: 10.00am to 1.00pm

Candidates should answer **FOUR** of the following **TWELVE** questions. All questions carry equal marks.

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- 1. Is state sovereignty still a central principle in international politics?
- 2. Do you agree that in the long run it is the power of ideas that holds empires and state systems together, rather than the power of armed force?
- 3. Is the United Nations more than a forum through which major states dominate the international system?
- 4. Can external intervention to change a regime ever be adequately justified?
- 5. Are the Less Developed Countries poor because of the structure of the international economic system?
- 6. To what extent have Weapons of Mass Destruction made war obsolete as an instrument of foreign policy?
- 7. 'The rising profile of the environment in world politics is more a reflection of liberal idealism than it is a significant international problem.' Discuss.
- 8. Is world politics moving from a state system to a global civil society?
- 9. How far do international economic institutions contribute positively to global economic development?
- 10. Which has the greater significance for the international order: the rise of China or the rise of the European Union?
- 11. Do you consider that arms control is easier to achieve than disarmament, and if so why?
- 12. Is the realist approach to International Relations morally justifiable?

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