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Monday 11 June 2018 – Afternoon**A2 GCE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS****F854/01** Political Ideas and Concepts

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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Other materials required:

None

Duration: 2 hours

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- The Insert will be found inside this document.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes above. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer **Question 1** and **three** other questions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided. If additional space is required, you should use the lined page(s) at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
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INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **100**.
- You will be rewarded for your ability to draw together the knowledge, understanding and skills which you have acquired from your study of all parts of the course.
- Quality of Written Communication will be assessed in this paper. This means you should:
 - ensure that text is legible and that spelling, punctuation and grammar are accurate so that meaning is clear;
 - organise information clearly and coherently, using specialist vocabulary where appropriate.
- This document consists of **20** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Question 1(a)	See page 3
Question 1(b)	See page 5
Questions 2 to 8 (answer any three)	See page 8
Additional answer space	See pages 19–20

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In answering each question, you are expected to cover relevant political ideas and concepts and, where appropriate, make reference to the views of political thinkers.

SECTION A

Answer the question in this section.

Use the source and your own knowledge to answer Question 1.

Source for Question 1

The rule of law is considered a basic principle of all constitutional states. Its purpose is to define the relationship between individuals and the state. Any breach of law requires the state to impose sanctions upon the perpetrator, determined through a judicial process. There are, however, theorists who argue that under certain conditions breaching specific laws can be justified. These include Martin Luther King, Gandhi and Henry Thoreau. This principled breach of law is referred to as civil disobedience. Its supporters distinguish this course of action from common criminality.

1 (a) Outline what is meant by the rule of law. **[10]**

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SECTION B

Answer **three** questions from this section.

- 2 Assess how democratic is the concept of people's democracy. [25]
- 3 Compare and contrast ideological perspectives on the nature of the state. [25]
- 4 'All power flows from the barrel of a gun.' Discuss. [25]
- 5 Discuss the view that there should be no limits to political toleration. [25]
- 6 Compare and contrast different types of nationalism. [25]
- 7 'Socialists disagree more over the means to achieve socialism rather than its ends.' Discuss. [25]
- 8 'Deep and shallow ecologism are fundamentally the same.' Discuss. [25]

(You may use this space for planning your answer(s).)

Write the number of each question answered in the margin.

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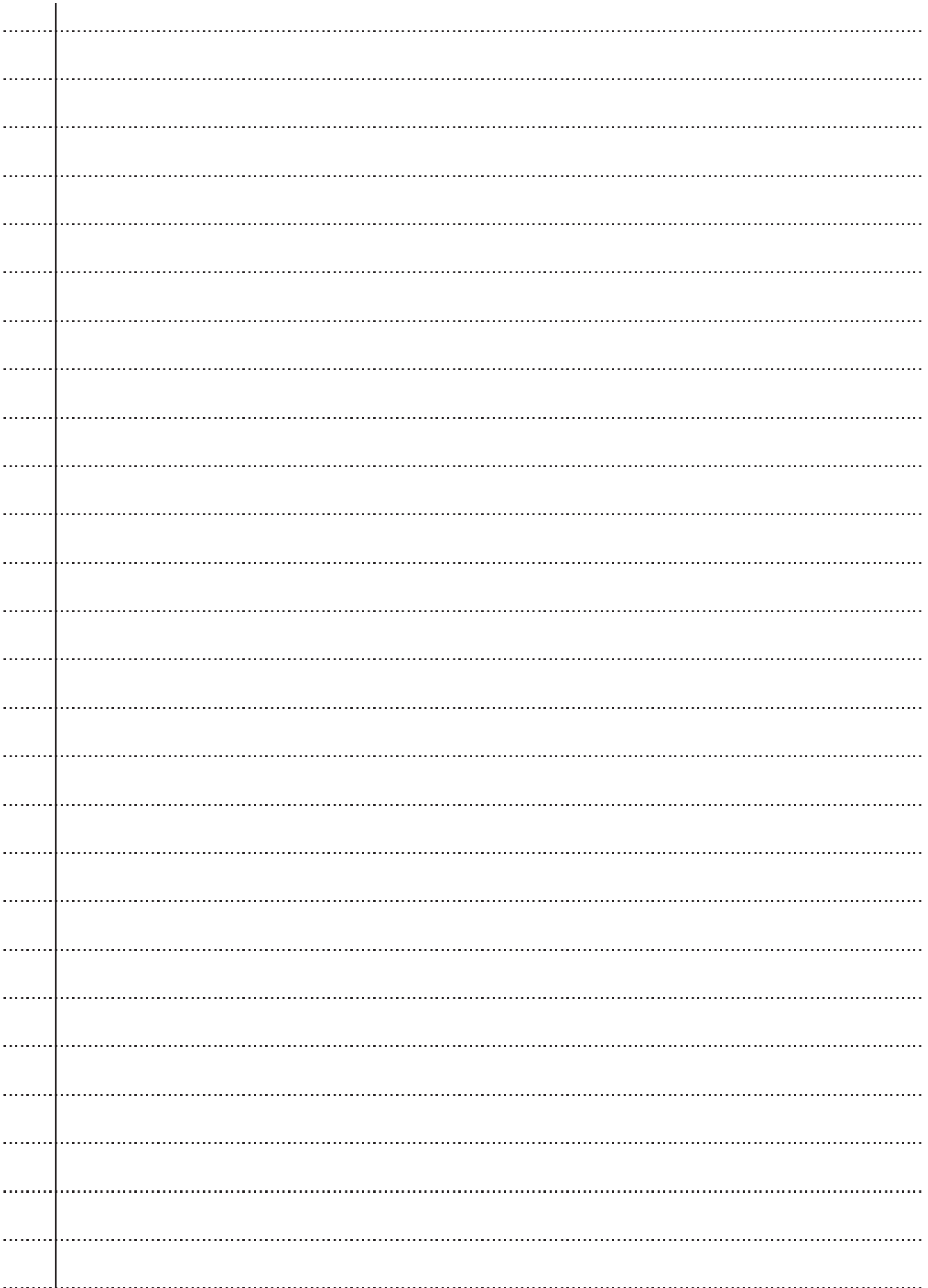
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