A Level History A
Y206/01 Spain 1469–1556

Wednesday 21 June 2017 – Morning
Time allowed: 1 hour

INSTRUCTIONS
• Use black ink.
• Choose either Question 1 or Question 2 and answer all parts of the question.
• Write your answer to each question on the Answer Booklet.
• Do not write in the barcodes.

INFORMATION
• The total mark for this paper is 30.
• The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
• Quality of extended responses will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
• This document consists of 2 pages.
1 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance as a reason for the victory of Castilian and Aragonese forces against the Moors in Granada, 1482–1492?

(i) Christianity and the Catholic Church

(ii) The strength of Castilian and Aragonese armies

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* To what extent had Spain been united by 1516? [20]

OR

2 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance as a reason for Spain’s financial problems under Charles I?

(i) The wars of Charles I

(ii) Flaws in the financial system

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* ‘The discovery of silver was the most important advantage of empire to Spain in the period from 1519 to 1556.’ How far do you agree? [20]