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A Level History A

Y223/01 The Cold War in Europe 1941–1995

Time allowed: 1 hour

You must have:
- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS
- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

INFORMATION
- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets **[ ]**.
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **4** pages.

ADVICE
- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

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Answer Question 1 **or** Question 2.

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(a) Which of the following was the more important reason for the reunification of Germany?

(i) Developments in the DDR (East Germany) since 1984

(ii) Developments in the USSR since 1984

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

(b)* Assess the impact of the 'new Cold War' during the period 1979 to 1985. **[20]**

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(a) Which of the following had the greater impact on the Cold War during the period from 1956 to 1984?

(i) Ostpolitik

(ii) The Brezhnev Doctrine

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

(b)* 'The main reason for the collapse of the Grand Alliance in 1945 were the departures of Roosevelt and Churchill.'

How far do you agree? **[20]**

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