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**Friday 15 October 2021 – Afternoon**

**A Level History A**

**Y208/01 Philip II 1556–1598**

**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 **2** pages.

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

- 1 (a) Which of the following was a more significant religious problem for Philip II at the beginning of his reign?

(i) The problem of heretics

(ii) The condition of the Spanish Church

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

[10]

- (b)\* 'William of Orange was more important than Maurice of Nassau as a leader of the Dutch Revolt.' How far do you agree? [20]

**OR**

- 2 (a) Which of the following aspects of Spanish rule was a more significant grievance of the Dutch provinces in the years from 1556 to 1572?

(i) Religious policies

(ii) Political issues

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

[10]

- (b)\* 'Philip II was entirely to blame for the political and economic problems he faced in his government of Spain.' How far do you agree? [20]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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