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**Wednesday 12 June 2019 – Afternoon**

**A Level History A**

**Y205/01** Exploration, Encounters and Empire 1445–1570

**Time allowed: 1 hour**



**You must have:**

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet  
(OCR12 sent with general stationery)

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use black ink.
- Choose either Question 1 or Question 2 and answer all parts of the question.
- Write your answers in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.

**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.

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

1 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance in the administration of Mexico and Peru?

(i) Government officials

(ii) The Church

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

(b)\* 'Of all the difficulties faced by the Portuguese and Spanish in their encounters with indigenous peoples, the resistance of the latter was the most serious.' How far do you agree? [20]

**OR**

2 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance as a reason for overseas exploration in the period from 1445–1570?

(i) Ottoman expansion

(ii) Renaissance learning and values

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

(b)\* 'Geographical factors were the main reason for the limited progress in the settlement of Brazil by 1570.' How far do you agree? [20]

**END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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