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Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos, Part II

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Friday 1 June 2018 9 to 12.00 pm

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### **Paper C18**

#### **China in a Global WWII**

*Candidates should answer **three** questions. All questions carry **equal** marks.*

*Write your number **not** your name on the cover sheet of **each** answer booklet.*

#### **STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS**

*20 page answer booklet*

*Rough Work Pad*

#### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS TO BE SUPPLIED FOR THIS EXAMINATION**

*None*

**You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed to do so.**

## **China in a Global WWII**

Answer **three** of the following questions. All questions are of equal value.

1. What were the causes of the outbreak of WWII in China in 1937?
2. Assess the effectiveness of Japanese and Chinese military strategies in the period between the Battle of Shanghai and the Battle of Wuhan.
3. To what extent did China contribute to the defeat of Japan in 1945?
4. Assess the strategy of the Communists during China's war with Japan.
5. "WWII in China was a cultural wasteland." Assess.
6. How useful is Clausewitz in understanding Nationalist and Communist warfare during WWII.
7. "Land reform was irrelevant to the Communist victory." Discuss.
8. Assess the significance of the Tokyo War Crimes Tribunal in the creation of a new political order in East Asia.
9. What were the reasons for Mao Zedong's decision to unleash Chinese forces into Korea?
10. To what extent is Chinese nationalism today shaped by China's WWII experience?

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