

AET2 Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Tripos, Part II, HPT3PI, Human, Social, and Political Sciences Tripos, Part IIB (Politics and International Relations), and HPOT2, History and Politics, Part II

Friday 03 June 2022 13:30 to 16:30

## Paper EAS2

## The East Asian Region

Answer three questions. All questions carry equal marks.

Write your number <u>**not**</u> 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.

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- 1. "The durability of the US-Japan alliance is proof of the strength of common values and interest." Discuss.
- 2. To what extent is it fair to argue that US campaign in Vietnam during the Cold War was inevitable and bound to end in defeat?
- 3. In what sense can the Cold War be viewed as an economic, military and ideological conflict.
- 4. "Maoism as a revolutionary phenomenon was as much a global as it was a domestic event." Discuss.
- 5. To what extent does "misperception" account for the origins, course, and continuation of the "long" Korean War?
- 6. Does non-alignment and neutrality matter in explaining the international relations of East Asia during and after the Cold War?
- 7. Why might history and identity politics be an impediment to effective alliance cooperation in contemporary Northeast Asia and what might be done to offset their negative influence?
- 8. When and why did the Sino-Soviet split occur and what remains of the partnership between Beijing and Moscow today?
- 9. "South Korea's "strategic ambiguity" is a function of both domestic politics and foreign policy." Discuss.
- 10. How might the disciplines of social science and history have shaped US efforts at nation-building during the Cold War and what are the respective strengths and weaknesses of both approaches?

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