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Paper 3: Thematic Study with Source Evaluation

Option 1C: Germany: United, Divided and Reunited, 1870–1990

Wednesday 25 January 2017 – Morning

Sources Booklet

Paper Reference

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Sources for use with Section A.

Source 1: From a speech by Bismarck to the Reichstag in 1881. He is reflecting on the decade since the proclamation of the new German Reich.

It may be thought that I have often acted hastily and without reflection. However, when I myself have had time to think, I have always asked what is useful, effective and right for my Prussian fatherland, for my Emperor and now for the German Nation.

I have never been politically unbending and inflexible. I confess that liberal, reactionary, conservative viewpoints all seem to me to be luxuries. Give me a strong German State, and then ask me whether it should have more or less liberal features, and you will find that I answer: I have no fixed opinions. Make proposals and you will not meet any objections of principle from me. 5

Sometimes one must rule liberally, and sometimes dictatorially; there are no eternal rules. My aim from the first moment of my public activity has been the creation and consolidation of Germany. If you can show a single moment when I deviated, you may prove that I went wrong, but never that I lost sight of the national aim for a moment. 10

Source 2: From a speech by Eugen Richter to the Reichstag in 1890. He was one of the leaders of the Progress Party and had been a critic of many of Bismarck's policies towards Socialists, Catholics and Jews. Here he is commenting on Bismarck's government.

The Reich would have been better without the system of government which Prince Bismarck believed in. We are not saying this on account of his person. But it is our deepest conviction that an extension of the domestic policy pursued from the beginning of the Reich, especially of the kind initiated in 1877, would actually have brought Germany to ruin, had it been continued. 15

Not only this, but existing religious differences were heightened, through the battle over church policy. This was carried out by way of the police and criminal regulations. Additionally, there has been a rampant growth of interest parties. They have been striving ruthlessly to exploit state authority at the expense of the general good of the people. Their growth can be attributed to the policy of protective tariffs and to the kind of agitation for protective tariffs that Prince Bismarck, as Chancellor, personally called for and fuelled. The incitement of the parties against each other, the suspicions cast upon people's patriotism, and the denial of patriotism to any political dissident, all result from the tone that the Chancellor adopted against all those who just once expressed views differing from his. He built up a blind cult of authority around himself. This kind of politics has brought much damage. 20 25 30

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Time: 2 hours

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You must have:

Sources Booklet (enclosed)

Total Marks

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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **ALL** questions in Section A and **ONE** question in Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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SECTION A

Answer Question 1. Write your answer in the space provided.

Study Sources 1 and 2 in the Sources Booklet before you answer this question.

- 1 How far could the historian make use of Sources 1 and 2 together to investigate the significance of Bismarck to the consolidation of the new German state in the years 1871–79?

Explain your answer using both sources, the information given about them and your own knowledge of the historical context.

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SECTION B

Answer ONE question in Section B.

You must start your answer to your chosen question on the next page.

EITHER

- 2** How significant was the nature of the Weimar Constitution (1919) in explaining the rise of the Nazis in the years 1930–33?

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

OR

- 3** To what extent was the post-war economic success of the FRG responsible for the undermining of the East German state and its eventual collapse in 1989?

(Total for Question 3 = 25 marks)

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