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EXAMINATION OF APRIL 2004

Code and Name of Course GT11A–INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

Date and Time: Friday, May 7, 2004 9:00–11:00 a.m. Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: This paper has 2 page(s) and 8 questions
Answer TWO questions; One from each Section.

SECTION I

1. EITHER: (a) Caribbean political culture has remained fixed in recent years. To what extent and for what reasons do you agree with this statement?

   OR: (b) Critically discuss whether unconventional political participation has hindered or helped the growth of democracy in the Caribbean

2. What indicators would make you rate one state as being more democratic than another?

3. Critically discuss what measures may be taken to counter the threat of terrorism and preserve democracy in the Caribbean at the same time.

4. Does American government and politics favour elite money interests over the interests of the people?
5. How far have the democratic political reforms of Tony Blair’s government succeeded in Britain?

6. **EITHER: (a)** Is the Parliamentary system better than the Presidential system for Caribbean states?

   **OR: (b)** What type of constitutional reform do you consider to be best for Caribbean states today?

7. How would you qualify post-communism in Russia today - failure, or success?

8. “Foreign goods killing us. Farmers call for help in Jamaica.” How can Caribbean states deal with such adverse effects of globalization and take advantage of the opportunities?

END OF QUESTION PAPER