

PHILOSOPHY TRIPOS Part II

Tuesday 28th May 2013

13.30 – 16.30

Paper 10

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

*Answer **three** questions only.*

Write the number of the question at the beginning of each answer. If you are answering an either/or question, indicate the letter as well.

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

20 Page Answer book x 1

Rough Work Pad

You may not start to read the questions printed on the subsequent pages of this question paper until instructed that you may do so by the Invigilator

1. EITHER: a) 'The present generation cannot cause suffering to future generations.' Discuss.

OR: b) 'Bringing about an apocalypse – the ending of all human life – does not cause an injustice to anyone and so is not of concern to political philosophy.' Discuss.

2. EITHER: a) Should concerns for distributive justice stop at national borders?

OR: b) Is Rawls' *Law of Peoples* consistent with *A Theory of Justice*?

3. Should fascist speech be tolerated?

4. EITHER: a) Can liberalism accommodate fraternity?

OR: b) Should the state actively support minority cultures?

5. Is there any merit to Rawls' idea of an overlapping consensus?

6. EITHER: a) 'Pornography is the theory, and rape is the practice.' Discuss.

OR: b) Should those who care about freedom of speech defend pornography against feminists, or women against pornography?

7. 'The true woman is as yet a dream of the future.' Discuss.

8. Why is it important for Marx that 'alienation' is not a psychological category?

9. Are Marxism and feminism incompatible?

10. EITHER: a) Is it possible to accept Marx's theory of ideology without also accepting his theory of history?

OR: b) Is Marx's notion of ideology patronizing? Does it matter if it is?

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