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Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level

Thursday 5 June 2025

Morning (Time: 2 hours)

Paper reference **WHI03/1C**

History

International Advanced

PAPER 3: Thematic Study with Source Evaluation

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

You must have:
Sources Booklet (enclosed)

Total Marks

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 Question 1 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 political attitudes in the FRG to greater European cooperation?

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

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(Total for Question 1 = 25 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION A = 25 MARKS



SECTION B

Answer ONE question in Section B.

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

EITHER

- 2 How accurate is it to say that the effects of war were the most significant challenge facing Germany in the years 1870–79 and in the years 1918–24?

(Total for Question 2 = 25 marks)

OR

- 3 'Given the extent of the problems they faced, Hitler, in the years 1933–39, and Honecker, in the years 1985–89, were both effective political leaders.'

How far do you agree with this judgement?

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Sources for use with Section A.

Source 1: From Kurt Schumacher's speech on Germany and Europe, 22 May 1950. Schumacher, as leader of the SPD, was speaking at the SPD party conference. The speech came after the establishment of the Council of Europe in London in 1949 and in response to the proposed formation of a European Coal and Steel Community on 9 May 1950.

What happens if we do or do not join the Council of Europe? I do not think that borders will cease to exist or the problem of Germany's military security will be solved if we join and no one abroad seriously believes that either.

Creating illusions is part of German internal politics and the Council of Europe is now doing the same. For example, what if we do not join? Will it weaken Europe? Joining the Council of Europe will not bring about open frontiers or international stability. Germany will not be thrown out of Europe just because she refuses to join this specific institution on these particular terms. The Germans, so far as we can speak for all of them, do not want to be excluded from Europe. Nor do I believe that the Western Allies wish to exclude them.

In Germany, we need a statement by the Federal Government on the dangers that the present situation may involve for Eastern Germany. We Social Democrats regard German unity as a key European matter. We reject the policy of those Allies who think that a better solution of the European problem can be obtained by keeping Germany partitioned.

Source 2: From a speech given by Konrad Adenauer to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, 10 December 1951. The speech was made after the FRG had joined the Council of Europe and after the formation of the European Coal and Steel Community.

Our policy towards Europe is positive because the whole German nation, with the exception of a tiny minority, acknowledges the values of Europe and also wants the unity of Europe in some political form. We welcome the fact that the unity of Europe in many areas has become a reality. The necessity of integration in the economic field is also to be welcomed.

Regarding the greater political unity in Europe, the Federal Government is determined to take an active part. However, although the external threat to European democracy is great, this does not mean that an overall constitution of Europe should now be drafted. Other solutions are possible which will meet the need for unity and at the same time preserve the traditions and special interests of the individual European states.

It is true that the menace threatening us means that European unity must be achieved speedily. It is the desire of the peoples of Europe to shape their political destiny jointly in future. However, as practical politicians we believe that we must be more cautious. This means that our actions must be adapted to the facts as we find them. Therefore, it seems to us that the correct approach to European political unity is to proceed step by step. We act in this manner because we believe that this method has the advantage of being nearer to realities – and therefore is achievable.



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Source 2 from: https://www.cvce.eu/en/obj/address_given_by_konrad_adenauer_to_the_council_of_europe_strasbourg_10_december_1951-en-0ea92ca7-2add-405e-9b03-047ab6e9b728.html

