4.7 Detente and Arms Control: SALT I and the Helsinki Agreement, 1969-75: Test Pack

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Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions. You are advised to spend about 15 minutes on this pack.

1 Give the name of the US president who pursued detente and negotiated SALT I with the USSR.

(Total for Question 1 is 1 mark)

2 Give the international policy name used to describe the relaxation of tensions between the USA and USSR in this period, which Nixon pursued.

(Total for Question 2 is 1 mark)

3 Name the Soviet leader who signed SALT I with the United States in Moscow in 1972.

(Total for Question 3 is 1 mark)

4 Give the year in which the Helsinki Final Act was signed, concluding the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

(Total for Question 4 is 1 mark)

5 Name one major element limited by SALT I in the 1972 agreements.

(Total for Question 5 is 1 mark)

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6 State two principles included in the Helsinki Agreement of 1975 relating to borders in Europe.

(Total for Question 6 is 2 marks)

7 State two commitments the Helsinki Agreement included relating to human rights and political freedoms.

(Total for Question 7 is 2 marks)

8 State two reasons why both superpowers moved towards detente in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

(Total for Question 8 is 2 marks)

9 State two practical effects SALT I had on the arms programmes of the USA and the USSR.

(Total for Question 9 is 2 marks)

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Question 1

Richard Nixon **B1**

Answer: Richard Nixon

Question 2

detente **B1**

Answer: Detente

Question 3

Leonid Brezhnev **B1**

Answer: Leonid Brezhnev

Question 4

1975 **B1**

Answer: 1975

Question 5

anti-ballistic missile systems (ABMs) **B1**

Answer: Anti-ballistic missile systems (ABMs)

Question 6

recognition of existing national borders in Europe **B1**

a commitment by signatories not to seek to change those borders by force **B1**

Answer: Recognition of existing European borders, and a commitment not to change those borders by force.

Question 7

a pledge to respect human rights and fundamental freedoms, including freedom of thought and belief **B1**

a commitment to cooperate in humanitarian and cultural exchanges that supported individual freedoms **B1**

Answer: A pledge to respect human rights and fundamental freedoms, including freedom of thought and belief, and commitments to cooperate in humanitarian and cultural exchanges.

Question 8

the high economic cost of the arms race, which strained both countries budgets **B1**

a shared desire to reduce the risk of nuclear war after crises such as the Cuban Missile Crisis **B1**

Answer: The very high cost of the arms race, and a shared wish to reduce the risk of nuclear war after crises such as the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Question 9

it slowed the further growth of strategic missile numbers by freezing holdings under the interim agreement **B1**

it restricted the development of nationwide ABM defences by limiting ABM deployment to very small numbers of sites **B1**

Answer: SALT I slowed growth of strategic missile numbers by freezing holdings, and restricted ABM deployment to a limited number of sites.

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