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READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

This Insert contains Sources 1 to 3 for Questions 1 to 4 (Section A) and Sources 4 to 7 for Questions 5 to 8 (Section B). The time spent reading these Sources is allowed for within the examination.

Read Sources 1 to 3 before answering Questions 1 to 4 (Section A).

Source 1

Deadly New Virus: Dog Disease!

The Daily Megaphone, 6 April 2011.

A deadly new form of flu known as Dog Disease is sweeping the globe. Following the bird flu scare in 2003–2007 and the swine flu scare in 2009–2010, Dog Disease in 2011 looks likely to be the worst flu since 1919. *The Daily Megaphone* calls on the Government to:

- Close schools.
- Close shopping malls (but allow internet shopping).
- Stop air travel.
- Encourage people to work from home.

The public must be protected from Dog Disease at all costs.

Source 2

Public Health Leaflet, printed and distributed by the Ministry for Health.

Are you worried about Dog Disease?

Dog Disease is a form of flu. It is a virus which can make some groups of the population very unwell. You should contact your doctor for a vaccination immediately if you:

- are aged between 20 and 50.
- suffer from asthma or other breathing problems.
- have heart disease.
- like to chew on bones.

For all other groups of people, including the very young and the very old, Dog Disease is normally a mild illness.

There are some simple precautions that everyone can take to help prevent the spread of Dog Disease:

- Always cough or sneeze into a handkerchief.
- Wash your hands frequently.
- Stay at home if you are unwell.
- Ask a friend to collect medication for you.

Public health is everyone's responsibility. Let's act together.

Two letters to The Daily Megaphone, 19 May 2011.

Dear Sir,

I caught Dog Disease from a colleague who thought he was too important to stay at home when he was ill. I spent two weeks in hospital and I am very lucky to still be alive. If we don't want more people to suffer as I have suffered, the Government must take strong action. At the very least they must isolate everyone with symptoms of Dog Disease so that they cannot share it with innocent people like me.

Yours,

Belen Perez

Dear Sir,

The measures you suggest for controlling Dog Disease will be harmful. Closing schools will harm children's education but will not prevent Dog Disease, as it does not affect children. My wife was talking to the nurse at our local surgery, and according to her, the doctor's daughter, who works as a hospital doctor, says that the people who suffer most with Dog Disease are adults around 30–40 with asthma. Furthermore, proposals to stop air travel and shopping will seriously damage our economy. Our country's economy has been very weak over the last three years. It would be foolish to put it more at risk. You should instead be supporting the Government's campaign to improve our hygiene habits.

Yours.

Zhou Xiaochuan

Read Sources 4 to 7 before answering Questions 5-8 (Section B).

Source 4

Conflict Diamonds

 Conflict diamonds are diamonds that are traded illegally by rebel movements in many parts of West and Central Africa.

Rebel forces use the money from selling rough diamonds to:

- Buy weapons to fight against the Government;
- Fund international terrorist acts.

These rebel groups also:

- Use violence against people in their own countries;
- Recruit children as soldiers.

Who buys conflict diamonds?

Any of us might buy a conflict diamond. Once they have been cut and polished it is not possible to tell where they came from. Some rebel groups smuggle conflict diamonds into legally run mines and they are then sold as if they came from the legal mine. So a bride in America admiring her beautiful diamond engagement ring might be funding violence in Africa.

Source 5

The Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS) is an international governmental certification scheme aimed at preventing the trade in conflict diamonds. The scheme requires governments and the diamond industry to implement import/export control on rough diamonds to prevent conflict diamonds from fuelling conflict and human rights abuses.

Amnesty International has completed a diamond retail survey to see whether retailers are properly implementing the KPCS. Some 579 stores were visited at random, 333 across the UK and 246 in fifty cities throughout eighteen US states.

Amnesty International members have written to over 800 retailers and suppliers in Belgium, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Switzerland. So far, only 52 of these have responded in writing with any information about their policy.

The results of the survey show that a significant majority of diamond jewellery retailers continue to fail to deliver on repeated promises made to stem the trade in conflict diamonds.

Source 6

We only sell ethical diamonds.

s Certification ers provide us We choose to comply with the United Nations backed Kimberley Process Certification Scheme and refuse to use conflict diamonds. We also insist that our suppliers provide us with written guarantees, ensuring they do the same.

We offer this pledge on behalf of the millions of innocents who have suffered displacement, maiming and death at the hands of the rebel groups who have been funded by illegal diamond proceeds.

[from the website of a company selling diamond jewellery]

Source 7

Helping Africans Help Africa.

The Diamond Empowerment Fund sees a future when poverty in African nations where diamonds are a natural resource is dramatically reduced through successful fund-raising initiatives by the diamond jewellery industry to support projects that educate and empower Africans locally.

Former President of Botswana, President F. G. Mogae, speaking at the Africa-America Institute, said,

"For our people in Botswana every diamond you buy means food on the table, better living conditions, better health care, safe drinking water, more roads and much, much more. It means that we can build new power stations and expand our electricity network in the country."

[from the website of the Diamond Empowerment Fund]

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