

Candidate 2

The evidence for this candidate has achieved the following marks for the following sections of this course assessment component.

A. Identifying and demonstrating factual and theoretical knowledge and understanding of the issue, showing an awareness of different points of view

Background and framing of issue and alternatives

The candidate clarifies the issue in the opening paragraph and at an early stage identifies the significance of the issue. The candidate provides, in this opening paragraph, background to the issue in detail. Alternative points of view are also identified towards the end of this introduction.

5 marks were awarded for this aspect.

D. Drawing a detailed and reasoned conclusion(s) about the issue

The summative conclusion made by this candidate was categorised as two relevant conclusions with detailed reference to the evidence. The candidate makes an initial conclusion on the financial costs of independence and goes on to make a second conclusion related to the economic and diplomatic consequences of independence.

As a result, the candidate was awarded **4 marks** for conclusions.