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EC: ECONOMICS II

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION

Monday 8th January 2018

EXAM HALL

09.30 – 11.45

Professor Ronan Lyons

Instructions to Candidates:

Please answer Section A and any two questions from Section B.

All questions carry equal weighting.

You may not start this examination until you are instructed to do so by the Invigilator.

Section A: Compulsory Question

1. What external forces have shaped Irish economic development? In answering this part of the question, please give three examples from different periods in Irish economic development.

To what extent do such external forces limit the efficacy of policy tools?

Section B: Please answer any two of the following three questions

2. What parallels are there between the Irish economy in the late 18th century and the Irish economy in the early 21st century? What lessons are there for policymakers from these parallels?
3. "The 1960s marked a turning point for the Irish economy." Do you agree with this statement? Explain your answer.
4. Will Brexit mark the completion of Ireland's economic independence from the UK? Why/why not?