Sample problems for the Advanced Placement exam for MATH 1553

1. (a) Is $\overline{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ in the range of the linear transformation T defined by $T\overline{\mathbf{x}} = A\overline{\mathbf{x}}$, with $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -4 & 5 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 & 5 \\ 3 & -10 & 7 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$? If so, describe the vector(s) $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ for which $T\overline{\mathbf{x}} = \overline{\mathbf{b}}$.

(b) Is T one-to-one? Is T onto? Justify your answers.