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AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
AHT 102: INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE

DATE: TUESDAY, 28TH APRIL 2015

TIME: 2.00 P.M. – 4.00 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO

- 1.a) “A state is a legal political concept while a nation is a cultural physical concept”.
Discuss. (10 marks)
- b) Identify and discuss the challenges that undermine the democratization process in Kenya.
(10 marks)
- c) Examine the elements that constitute a state and demonstrate how a state is an arena of politics. (10 marks)
2. “Political Science is an art and a science”. Discuss. (20 marks)
- 3.a) “Power is raw while authority legitimate”. With illustrative examples, authenticate this statement. (10 marks)
- b) Examine the various ways through which a political regime can boost or lose its legitimacy. (10 marks)
4. Discuss the major assumptions of realists and show how they are applicable in our understanding the nature of international relations in the contemporary world. (20 marks)
5. With the use of suitable examples to illustrate your answer, distinguish between monarch, dictatorship and democratic forms of government. (20 marks)
6. Discuss ethnicity, gender and class as challenges to governance in Africa today. (20 marks)