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MAIN EXAMINATION

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REGULAR/ODEL PROGRAMME

SSO 302: CONTEMPORARY SOCIAL THEORY

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Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any TWO Questions

- Q1 a. What is theory? (5 marks)
- b. How does theory building occur? (10 marks)
- c. Using examples, discuss the characteristics of theory. (15 marks)
- Q2. Discuss the contributions of Robert K Merton in the understanding of crime and deviance in society. How applicable are his contributions to society today? (20 marks)
- Q3. Analyse dependency theory and its application to developing countries.(20marks)
- Q4. a).Highlight the key arguments of modernization theory (10 marks)
- b). What are the key strengths and weaknesses of the theory? (10 marks).
- Q5. Using examples, discuss the world systems theory and highlight its major limitations (20marks)

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