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MAIN EXAMINATION

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REGULAR PROGRAMME

CLS 316: RESEARCH METHODS

Date: DECEMBER 2014 Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other Two.

- Q1. Legal research is part of problem solving. It is said that deliberation as an approach to decision making is informed by intuition, yet at the same time cures the limitation of intuition.
 - Do you agree with this proposition? Explain your answer (30 marks)
- Q2. Foreign Legal materials could be used indiscriminately by academic lawyers, but not by practicing advocates and judges. Why is this case?

 (20 marks)
- Q3. The constitution of Kenya 2010 determines that general rules of International Law are to form part of the laws of Kenya. The term 'general rules' is not a language of article 38 of the statute of the international court of justice. What did the committee of experts mean by using the term 'general rules?'

 (20 marks)
- Q4. a) What is a "research hypothesis?" (20 marks)
 - b) What are the ingredients of a "good hypothesis"?
- Q5. What are the distinguishing features of a doctrinal from a socio-legal research? (20 marks)