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MJPC COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

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Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ANY ONE Question

- Q1. In conflict management, it is always important to be weary of spoilers. Discuss this statement using the Kenya post-election violence crisis of 2007/8 and the mediation led by the late Kofi Annan.
- Q2. Theological foundations for justice and peace are key in the peacebuilding effort in our society today. Critically assess.
- Q3. The concepts of social justice and social cohesion have their origins and development in specific circumstances and societies. In this sense, social cohesion is attributed to Rene Lenoir whose concern was the socially 'excluded' in France. He reckoned these to be a 10th of the French population. They included the mentally and physically handicapped, suicidal people, aged invalids, abused children, substance abusers, delinquents, single parents, multi-problem households, marginal, asocial persons, and other social 'misfits'. In 1997, France's Commissariat general du Plan developed the definition, "social cohesion is a set of social processes that help instil in individuals the sense of belonging to the same community and then feeling that they are recognised as members of that community". These ideas were adopted by the West, and eventually by UN. Discuss the suitability of these ideas to social justice issues in Africa.
- Q4. The success of mediation depends on the strategies adopted by the mediator. Comment critically on this statement.
- Q5. The personal and social dimension of peace are so closely related, such that for sustainable peace to be guaranteed, the two MUST considered indispensable.

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