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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

REGULAR PROGRAMME

SPO 254 MODERN POLITICAL THEORY

Date: DECEMBER 2020

Duration: 2Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

1. a) Compare and contrast the classical and modern view of the social contract theory. [20 Mks]
b) Discuss how John Locke's notion of equality influences contemporary liberal political thinkers. [10 Mks]
2. Compare and contrast Thomas Hobbes' theory of the state of nature and John Locke's notion of state of nature [20 Mks]
3. Critically analyze John Locke's theory of political obligation. How relevant is the theory to the governance of a modern state? [20 Mks]
4. Discuss the relevance of Jean Jacques Rousseau's social contract theory to modern statecraft. [20 Mks]
5. Analyze Rousseau's theory of political obligation. How does it compare with John Locke's notion of political obligation? [20 Mks]

