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MAIN EXAMINATION

JANUARY – APRIL 2019 TRIMESTER

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

REGULAR PROGRAMME

ECN 103: ECONOMICS OF SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

Date: APRIL 2019

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

- Q1. a) Give a brief history of the reasons why sub-Saharan Africa has acquired the regional reference. **(10marks)**
- b) How has poverty and inequality in Africa affected the economic development of the continent? **(10marks)**
- c) What is the major role of the state in the establishment of public enterprises in sub-Saharan Africa? **(10marks)**
- Q2. a) How would you describe the economics of sub-Saharan Africa in relation to obstacles that inhibit economic development? **(10marks)**
- b) Discuss how dependence on agriculture in sub-Saharan Africa has led to slow economic development. **(10marks)**
- Q3. a) Describe the structure of the African economies. **(10 Marks)**
- b) How has their structure affected the economic performance of the sub-Saharan Africa countries? **(20marks)**
- Q4. a) Unemployment as a challenge in sub-Saharan Africa affects the member countries' economic development. Elucidate. **(10marks)**

- b) Discuss the major problems of technological use in the agricultural production in Sub-saharan African countries. **(10marks)**
- Q5. a) How does lack of social capital affect economic benefits of economic development in sub-Saharan Africa? **(10marks)**
- b) Describe how the dominance of the Multinational Companies in African economies has affected the continent's economic development. **(10marks)**

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