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**MRI 503: INSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR REGIONAL
INTEGRATION**

Date: MAY 2019

Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ANY FOUR

- Q1. In 1946, Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Britain called for the hitherto unheard of 'United States of Europe'. Later, in 1957, President Kwameh Nkrumah of Ghana called for the 'United Africa', or Pan-Africanism.
- a) Compare and contrast key responses to each call, ca. 70 years later.
(7 marks)
 - b) On the basis of this response, what would be your advice to Africa?
(8 marks)
- Q2. Discuss the Monrovia and Casablanca positions on African integration. Is there any evidence of foreign interference in these positions?
(15 marks)
- Q3. Using selected relevant exemplary structures, together with their successes and challenges, distinguish between the African efforts to political and economic regional cooperation.
(15marks)
- Q4. **Either A.** Just as regional cooperation is necessary for African integration, national integration is necessary for regional cooperation. Discuss.
(15 marks)
- Or B.** The so-called 'sovereignty' of the so-weak African nation state is, rather than being beneficial to Africa, another way of divide, rule and exploit. Discuss.
(15 marks)

- Q5. **Either A.** In the discussion between Ibrahim Mo and Aliko Dangote, Dangote laments having a cement factory 28 kilometres to the Benin border, a country where he cannot export the cement. He also laments spending weeks to Togo, a mere hours' journey. In similar discussions, it is revealed that it is cheaper to export a car from Japan than transporting one from a neighbouring country to another in Africa.
Critically assess this situation, i.e. where is the problem and what can be done about it. **(15marks)**
- Or B.** According to the National News, p. 10 of the Friday May, 2019, Daily Nation, 'Coast leaders say that ferrying cargo from Mombasa to Nairobi via SGR trains has killed the once vibrant regional economy'. Using your knowledge of the EAC institutional and legal framework, discuss the coast leaders' concern. **(15 marks)**
- Or C.** Having seen Aliko Dangote's Oil Refinery Factory, for example, discuss the hullabaloo about 'added value': either i. Africa sticks to its 'original' role of supplying raw materials to the industrialised world, or ii. The continent graduates to the level of processing its raw materials and exporting industrial products. **(15 marks)**

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