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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND SECURITY STUDIES

CRSS 441: OFFENDER PROFILING

STREAMS: BA CRSS Y4S1 TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 22/03/2021 2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO.
- Question ONE carries 30 marks while all the others are 20 marks each.
- All answers must be in essay form.
- Q1. (a) Describe the concept of "offender profiling" and demonstrate by use of examples how it aids in criminal investigations. (15 marks)
- (b) Highlight the challenges and limitations of offender profiling in criminal investigation practice. (15 marks)
- Q2. Outline the history of criminal profiling citing the major milestones. (20 marks)
- Q3. Critically assess the British approach (David Canter's investigative psychology) to offender profiling. (20 marks)
- Q4. By use of examples, demonstrate how modus operandi and signature of a criminal are critical in offender profiling. (20 marks)
- Q5. In terms of at least five factors, differentiate between the characteristics of organized and disorganized offenders in offender profiling. (20 marks)
