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SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY

ECON 100: INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS

STREAMS: TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 13/09/2018 2.30 P.M - 4.30 P.M

INSTRUCTIONS:

• Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

OUESTION ONE

(a) Differentiate between the following as used in economics:

i.	Perfect elastic demand and elastic demand	[2 Marks]
ii.	Gross domestic product and gross national product	[2 Marks]
iii.	marginal propensity to consume and average propensity to consume	[2 Marks]
iv	intended and unintended investment	[2 Marks]

(b) Explain why national income is not an appropriate measure of the welfare of the people.

[8 Marks]

(c) Discuss the exceptions to the law of demand. [6 Marks]

(d) Discuss the assumptions of cardinal approach of measuring utility. [8 Marks]

QUESTION TWO

i. Explain the role of the agricultural industry in the Kenyan economy. [10 Marks]

ii. Using an illustration, discuss the stages of production and highlight the best stage for any rational producer. [10 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

(a) Explain the determinants of consumption spending.

[4 Marks]

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- (b) Using the characteristics of each, differentiate between oligopoly and perfect competitive markets. [10 Marks]
- (c) Highlight the difficulties encountered in measuring national income. [6 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- i. Clearly discuss any 5 types of unemployment and suggest possible remedies. [10 Marks]
- ii. Discuss the circular flow of income model for a three sector economy. Hence discuss leakages and injections from the model. [10 Marks]