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# RESIT/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

### EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

**BCOM 323: MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS** 

STREAMS: BCOM TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 26/07/2018 2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.
- Do not write anything on the question paper.
- 1. Introduce your team members to Marketing Communication by undertaking the following:
  - (a) Demonstrate your understanding of integrated communication (IMC) by providing practical examples on how companies can integrate their communication activities.

(8 marks)

(b) Distinguish between One-way communication, Two-communication and Two-way-symmetric communication and justify the way you would recommend in marketing communication.

(12 marks)

- (c) Provide guidance on what entails to prepare a communications budget using the objective-and-task methods. (10 marks)
- 2. Use your expertise in Marketing Communications to undertake the following:
- (a) Provide a distinction between the factors that affect negotiations in setting communication budgets. (10 marks)

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- (b) Provide a justification for adopting Integrated Marketing Communication. (10 marks)
- 3. The management of Naka Marketing Practitioners requests your assistance as follows:
  - (a) Guide marketing communicator on how they can achieve synergy and a consistent value message. (5 marks)
- (b) Justify why setting advertising budget is seen more as taking a step of faith as compared to setting budgets for sales promotions and consumer promotions.

(5 marks)

- Advice a marketing executive intending to adopt integrated marketing (c) communication (IMC) on the shortcomings they have to bear in mind regarding this communications approach.
  - (10 marks)
- 4. Your marketing manager requires you to undertake the following:
  - Marketing communication objectives should be "SMARRTT." Discuss (a)

(12 marks)

(b) Distinguish between the elements of the communication mix. (8 marks)