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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
ARTS**

CHUKA AND ISEMBE CAMPUSES

HIST 421: HISTORY OF POLITICAL IDEAS

STREAMS: B.ED (Y4S2)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 07/08/2018

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer questions ONE and any other TWO questions**

- Q1. (a) Differentiate between the liberal theory and Class-conflict theory of state formation. (6 marks)
- (b) Examine the main political ideas of ancient world and religious societies. (14 marks)
- (c) According to Plato “A Philosopher King should govern an ideal State” Explain (10 marks)
- Q2. Discuss the following Platonian political ideas.
- (i) The State is “*Man writ large*” (10 marks)
- (ii) The division of labour in an ideal State. (4 marks)
- (iii) Communal ownership of Properties and Family. (6 marks)
- Q3. In what ways can you argue that the ideas of **either** St. Augustine of Hippo **or** Thomas Aquinas fit within the Ethical theory of politics. (20 marks)

- Q4. Critically examine the nature of an ideal State and the Ruler (the Prince) as proposed by Nicollo Machievelli. (20 marks)
- Q5. Explain the political ideas of **either** George Wilhelm Hegel **or** Karl Marx. (20 marks)
- Q6. What is Aristotle's view on the origin and the nature of an Ideal State? (20 marks)
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