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**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER**

PROGRAMME: DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE YEAR II

COURSE CODE: AEM 204

TITLE OF PAPER: COOPERATIVE STUDIES

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY
OTHER TWO (2) QUESTIONS**

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QUESTION ONE

Discuss the main features that differentiate the new generation of cooperative from the traditional type of cooperative (40 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

Discuss what you understand by cooperatives and the basic principles that differentiate cooperatives from other forms of doing business (30 Marks).

QUESTION THREE

The Government of Swaziland recognizes the need for a declared Government Policy, which assures Government's commitment and willingness to provide the needed support for autonomous cooperatives to develop and thrive. Based on this statement, discuss the role of the Department of Cooperatives within the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives in trying to promote and support the development of Cooperatives in Swaziland (30 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Directors in a cooperative occupy a key position between members and hired management. They are both users of its services and representatives of other members who depend on those same services. In line with the above assertion, discuss the role of directors in cooperative societies in Swaziland. (30 Marks)