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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER 2010

TITLE OF PAPER	:	INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS
COURSE CODE	:	EHS 316
DURATION	:	2 HOURS
MARKS	:	100 MARKS
INSTRUCTIONS	:	READ THE QUESTIONS & INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY
	:	ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS
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INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS (EHS 316)
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ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

QUESTION ONE

In terms of Article 6 of the International Health Regulations (2005) each State Party has an obligation to assess events occurring within its territory by using the decision instrument in Annex 2 and to notify WHO of events that may constitute a public health emergency of international concern.

- a). State the definition of the expression “public health emergency of international concern” as provided in the Regulations. (6 marks)
- b). Describe the criteria for assessing and notifying WHO of events that may constitute a public health emergency of international concern set out in the said instrument, citing the relevant diseases specified in respect of each criterion. (30 marks)
- c). What is mode of notification to WHO and the time limit within which to notify assessed events? (4 marks)
- d). State the obligation of WHO, following notification by a State Party of an event that may constitute a public health emergency of international concern, citing the relevant provision of the Regulations. (6 marks)
- e). State the obligation of a State Party, following a notification to WHO in respect of information on the notified event. (4 marks)

[Total: 50 Marks]

QUESTION TWO

a). Specify the health measures that a State Party may require for public health purposes, on arrival or departure with regard to travelers and baggage, cargo, containers, conveyances, postal parcels and human remains, in terms of Article 23 (1) of the International Health Regulations (2005). (10 marks)

b). State the general and specific duties of State Parties in relation to treatment of travelers, in implementing health measures under the International Health Regulations (2005), in terms of Article 32 thereof.

(15 marks)

[Total: 25 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

The International Health Regulations (2005) specify obligations for State Parties and the World Health Organization regarding implementation thereof. Specify the obligations of WHO in respect of the following areas:

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| a). Responsible authorities; | (4 marks) |
| b). Surveillance; | (4 marks) |
| c). Technical assistance and support | (4 marks) |
| d). Disseminating information and guidelines; | (4 marks) |
| e). Recommendations; | (4 marks) |
| f). Developing capacity; and | (3 marks). |
| g). Co-operation with other international bodies. | (2 marks) |

[Total: 25 Marks]