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**TITLE OF PAPER: COMPARATIVE HISTORY OF SLAVERY:
SLAVERY IN AFRICA**

COURSE CODE: H 519

TIME ALLOWED: Three (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS.**
- 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS**

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(1) Evaluate the impact of 'Centralised' and 'Decentralised' polities on the nature and longevity of slavery in Africa.

(2) Critically examine how slavery was definitively abolished in different parts of Africa in the nineteenth and twentieth century.

(3) Compare the practice of slavery in Southern and West Africa between the fifteenth and twentieth century.

(4) Evaluate Emmanuel Konde's thesis on the "European Invention of Slavery in Africa".

(5) What does the term "Eunuch" denote? Account for the making of "Eunuchs" in the system of slavery in Africa before the twentieth century.

(6) To what extent is Alex Haley's *ROOTS* epic television series on Kunta Kinte representative of the method of procurement and enslavement of Africans for the New World?