UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION 2012/2013 EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER: MAIN

TITLE OF PAPER: MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS

COURSE CODE: JMC 339

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer THREE questions.

Answer at least one question from each section

Spelling and grammar will count in grading.

Use your own examples to illustrate your answer(s).

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

a) Write a critique of the pictures usually published by the local press blacking out faces of children (See appendix).

(10 Marks)

b) Explain if manipulation of pictures is ethical or not. Support your answer with examples.

(10 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Explain in detail invasion of privacy, giving examples where the media is alleged to have invaded privacy.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Discuss ethical concerns raised by media scholars regarding citizen journalists.

(10 Marks)

b) Suggest ways, if any, in which these concerns can be addressed.

(10 Marks)

SECTION B

QUESTION 4

In March 2013, the Minister of Information, Communication and Technology tabled two Bills in Parliament. Explain the nature of the bills (separately) and discuss their impact on the media landscape in Swaziland.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 5

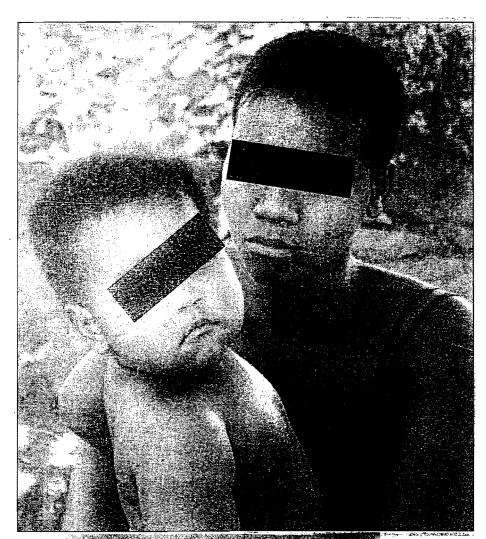
Discuss any four laws that have an impact on the print media in the country.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 6

Explain in detail the challenges of the digital migration policy that was launched by Government in March 2013.

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