UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER JULY, 2016

TITLE OF PAPER

: CHRISTIAN ETHICS II

: TRS 203/IDE-TRS 203

COURSE CODE

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

MARKS

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INSTRUCTIONS:

CHOOSE AND ANSWER ANY THREE
QUESTIONS.

2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS.

3. BEGIN EACH QUESTION ON A NEW PAGE.

4. CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN FOR CLARITY, ACCURACY AND GOOD THEOLOGICAL INSIGHT.

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Question One

"President Barack Obama brought the long political struggle over the military's controversial "don't ask, don't tell" policy to a close Wednesday, signing legislation that will bring an end of the ban on openly gay men and women serving in the armed forces." Euronews Live Broadcast Washington DC,

USA – 22 December 2010, 4:00 P.M.

How far is it fair to say that the strengths of this decision outweigh its weaknesses?

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Question Two

"Married couples should never divorce."

Do you agree? Give reasons for your answer, showing that you have thought about more than one point of view.

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Question Three

To what extent is the treatment of the natural order, with all its beneficial results and all of its related problems, a consequence of the Hebrew-Christian tradition?

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Question Four

Discuss St. Paul's theological outlook on the status of women in the church. Do you agree or disagree with him, and why?

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Question Five

With reference to any war-torn country in the world, would you regard the on-going wars to be morally justifiable? Explain.

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Question Six

"...Jesus was in no sense an enemy of the state on principle, but rather a loyal citizen who offered no threat to the State's existence...."

(By Oscar Cullmann in The State in the New Testament, p 54).)

Critique Cullmann's assertion in relation to Jesus' ethical viewpoint about the State.

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