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DEPARTMENT OF LAW

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, DECEMBER 2015 (SUPPLEMENTARY)

TITLE OF PAPER :LAW OF INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS

COURSE CODE :L503

TIME ALLOWED :THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS :1. ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS.  
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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### QUESTION ONE

Critically discuss whether the interpretation of international treaties is similar to that of domestic legislation.

(25 Marks)

### QUESTION TWO

Some scholars see international organizations as islands of cooperation; others dispute this, contending instead that international organizations are created primarily to perpetuate and promote the interests of the more powerful countries of the world; and yet others see the states actions of creating international organizations as a manifestation of the will of epistemic societies, or interest groups within countries.

Discuss fully.

(25 Marks)

### QUESTION THREE

While according some scholars, the African Union (AU) is not much different from its predecessor, the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), it has also been contended that the AU is modelled on, and has similar aspirations as the European Union (EU).

Critically discuss.

(25 Marks)

### QUESTION FOUR

The Southern African Customs Union is the oldest customs union in the World. It has, however, had its challenges. In your opinion, does it remain beneficial for Swaziland to maintain its membership in SACU and why?

(25 Marks)

### QUESTION FIVE

Africa has a multiplicity of regional organisation, some of the not only have similar objectives, but they also have overlapping membership. It is hoped that the Tripartite Free Trade Area, also known as the Grand Free Trade Area, will address the issues causes by this multiplicity, and also bring the continent closer to the African Economic Community.

Critically Discuss.

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