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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER: JUNE 2007

TITLE OF PAPER: PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IN AFRICA

COURSE CODE: PA 205

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS;
TWO (2) FROM EACH SECTION**
- 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF
TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH**

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

What do you understand by the term *colonial legacy*? Using appropriate examples, analyze this phenomenon with special reference to African countries and their public services.

QUESTION 2

What do you understand by the term administrative reform? What factors have necessitated the reform of public sector organizations in the African countries with which you are familiar?

QUESTION 3

Why are many African countries concerned about the size and cost of the civil service today? What, in your view, are the policy options available to governments seeking to create a civil service that is appropriate in size and affordable with regard to cost?

QUESTION 4

To what extent is corruption responsible for some of the development failures in African countries? What strategies would you recommend to minimize or control this problem?

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

Briefly assess the following in relation to public sector reform in Swaziland.

- Civil Service Review Commission
- Special Department for Reform
- Consultancy
- Technical Experts

QUESTION 6

Identify and discuss the factors that, in your opinion, hinder the successful implementation of administrative reforms in Swaziland.

QUESTION 7

To what extent are some of the principles of good governance observed in the practice of public administration in Swaziland today?

QUESTION 8

What is localization? Using examples where applicable, discuss the objectives of this policy and explain what you consider to have been its successes and/or failures in Swaziland