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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2008

- TITLE OF PAPER : CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN POLITICS**
- COURSE CODE : PA 202**
- STUDENTS : BASS II AND DIP. JOURNALISM YEAR III**
- TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS**
- INSTRUCTIONS :**
- 1. ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.**
 - 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF 25.**

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1. Before the Atlantic Slave Trade and colonization, Africa was developing at her own pace. Using one region, show how this development took place.
2. Assess the validity of the assertion that colonialism in Africa benefited both the colonizer and the colonized.
3. Discuss the decolonization process in either Mozambique or Angola. Identify the major players in the process.
4. What were the general characteristics of the colonial economies of Africa? What did these features reflect?
5. Describe how a neo-colonial relationship works. Illustrate with appropriate examples.
6. The doctrine of the separation of powers is one of the cornerstones of democracy and respect for human rights. Analyse this doctrine by choosing one African country that either adheres to it or does not adhere to it.
7. One-Party rule was introduced in Africa by leaders to bring about unity and thus accelerate development. What were the problems associated with this system?
8. "For many political leaders, the holding of multi-party elections is nothing but an alibi aimed at qualifying them for the benefits of 'benevolent globalization' "(Lumumba-Kasongo, 2005). Discuss this assertion with reference to an African country that you are familiar with.