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**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2012**

**TITLE OF PAPER:** CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN POLITICS  
**COURSE CODE:** PA 202  
**TIME ALLOWED:** THREE (3) HOURS  
**INSTRUCTION:** ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS ONLY, TWO FROM  
EACH SECTION

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### SECTION A

1. Examine the theoretical assumptions behind development strategies in 1970s in Africa.
2. Discuss the factors behind the establishment of personal rule in Africa.
3. Show why the organization of African Unity (OAU) failed to resolve major conflicts on the continent.
4. Assess IMF policy interventions in Africa in the 1980s.

### SECTION B

5. The environment remains one of the major security challenges in Africa. Discuss.
6. In response to popular demand, the continent's leaders agreed to work with civil society organizations to find solutions to social, political and economic challenges in Africa. However, state-civil society relations are fraught with problems. Examine the reasons for this uneasy relation.
7. Critics say the new development agenda cannot effectively address the continent's development challenges and point to an alternative. Discuss this alternative.
8. Corruption is one of the central constraints on good governance in Africa. Critically discuss.