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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, MAY 2014

TITLE OF PAPER: POLITICAL ECONOMY OF BOTSWANA,
LESOTHO AND SWAZILAND (BLS STATES)

COURSE CODE: PA 303

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTION: 1. ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS ONLY, TWO
FROM EACH SECTION

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS
OF TWENTY FIVE EACH

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SECTION A

1. Examine the attitude of external actors towards industrialisation in the BLS States.
2. Define economic statecraft and show how South Africa used this instrument to induce cooperation from its neighbours in the past.
3. Critically examine the views of the Dependency School on the BLS States economic interactions with South Africa.
4. Justify the view that Swaziland's policy behaviour towards South Africa from 1968 to the end of apartheid was not one-dimensional as Realist or class analyses claim.

SECTION B

5. Discuss the challenges confronting the Southern African Customs Union (SACU).
6. There have been criticisms of free trade regionalism in Southern Africa. Critically discuss these criticisms.
7. Examine the reasons behind the proposed Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Union and SADC States.
8. Suggests ways to build a regional order based on balanced and mutually beneficial development.