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TITLE OF PAPER: ADVANCED POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

MODULE CODE: PA 403

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Answer two (2) questions**
- 2. All questions carry equal marks of 50 each**

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GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR**

1. Using relevant examples to illustrate your answer, critically discuss the relevance of political philosophy to contemporary politics.
2. Comment critically on Machiavelli's view that, corruption makes good government impossible.
3. Hobbes' man in the 'state of nature' is exaggerated and overly pessimistic. Do you agree? Why or why not?
4. Why was Locke so concerned about the separation of powers? What are the ramifications of this concern today?
5. Critically discuss the reasons for Edmund Burke's aversion to radical change.
6. If Africa is not postmodern, how useful are postmodernist perspectives in understanding African politics? Illustrate your answer with relevant examples.