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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER DECEMBER 2012

TITLE OF PAPER:

TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT

COURSE CODE:

SOC 209

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS
2. TOTAL MARKS 100.

THIS QUESTION PAPER MUST NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION HAS BEEN
GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

SOC 209 TECHNOLOGY AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Instructions: Answer any three questions. All questions carry equal marks

- Q 1. Discuss the defining characteristics of post-modern societies.
- Q 2. Technological change, neo-liberal politics and post-Fordist organizations have broadly resulted in greater diversity. Discuss.
- Q 3. Compare and contrast three kinds of societies according to their technology: agrarian, industrial and post-industrial.
- Q 4. Discuss the extent to which technological development has improved the standard of living of people in any one country in sub-Saharan Africa.
- Q 5. Examine the extent to which technological development impacts on personal freedom and the concept of *Gemeinschaft*.
- Q 6. Critically discuss the notion that technology and industrial development widen the gap between the rich and poor.