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FINAL EXAMINATION, MAY 2008

B.A., B.ED.

TITLE OF PAPER: SPECIAL AREA STUDIES (N. AMERICA)

COURSE CODE: GEP 432

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS INCLUDING
QUESTION ONE (1) WHICH IS COMPULSORY**

**MARKS ALLOCATION: QUESTION ONE (1) CARRIES 40 MARKS. THE
REST OF QUESTIONS CARRY 30 MARKS EACH**

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

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Section: A
Compulsory Question

Question 1

Using sketch maps divide North America into seven physical components and discuss the characteristic of each of them. **(40 Marks)**

Section: B
Answer Any Two Questions from This Section

Question: 2

Discuss the main social and economic impacts of the terrorist attacks on September 11th 2001 in the United States of America. **(30 Marks)**

Question: 3

Discuss the factors that have led to counter-urbanization and inter-state or inter-regional migration in United States of America. **(30 Marks)**

Question: 4

“With all their size and strength, industries in the United States and Canada are constantly changing in character”, (Peterson, 1994:170). Discuss the validity of the statement. **(30 Marks)**

Question: 5

Using relevant examples, discuss the problems of urbanization in the United States of America. **(30 Marks)**