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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER: 2009

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. Discuss the process leading to the establishment of personalized rule in Africa
2. Critics point out that Structural Adjustment Policies (SAPs) designed to address Africa's economic crisis in the 1980s rather worsened the social, political and economic conditions of the African State. Do you agree?
3. Critically examine the democratic process in Africa between 1980 and 1990.
4. Analyse the causes of low agricultural productivity in the past and the steps taken by African government to increase agricultural production.
5. Discuss the theoretical assumptions underlying development strategies of the 1960s in Africa

SECTION B

6. To promote peace, stability and democracy in Africa the African Union (AU) has adopted a set of mechanisms to deal with unconstitutional change of government. Assess the effectiveness of these measures.
7. Critics say the new development agenda for Africa cannot effectively address the continent's development needs and point to an alternative. What is this alternative?
8. What are the security challenges in Africa today?

9. Discuss the new approach to democratic governance in Africa.