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TITLE OF PAPER: CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN POLITICS
COURSE CODE: POL203
TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS
(ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF 25 EACH)

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ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS

1. Critically assess the liberal view that external dependence is not the cause of underdevelopment. Instead, it is internal inefficiency.
2. Critically examine the arguments behind centralisation of state power in the immediate post-independence era in Africa.
3. Explain neo-patrimonialism and discuss its impact on development.
4. The developmental state is considered as a critical path to Africa's social, economic and political transformation. Critically examine the reasons behind this assertion.
5. The African Union (AU) faces challenges in its conflict prevention and resolution management processes. Discuss these challenges and suggest ways to address them.