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FINAL EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER, DECEMBER 2017

TITLE OF PAPER: COMPARATIVE POLITICS

COURSE CODE: POL 303

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS, ONE
(1) FROM EACH SECTION.

ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL
MARKS OF TWENTY FIVE (25) EACH

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

Compare and contrast the comparative government and the political systems approaches, explaining which of the two you prefer and why.

QUESTION 2

Analyze the nature of interest group activity in pluralist and corporatist societies, highlighting which one provides for a wider distribution of power.

SECTION B

QUESTION 3

Outline the key features of USA liberal democracy and compare them with those of the former USSR. In which system was democracy better served?

QUESTION 4

The key challenges facing Mexico are typical of the power and fragility that characterizes less developed nations. Discuss.