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TITLE OF PAPER:

AFRICAN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

COURSE CODE:

POL302

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTION:

1. ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS, ONE FROM

EACH SECTION

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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SECTION A

- 1. The African state is labelled in the conventional International Relations literature as weak, fictive or quasi. Examine the arguments for and against this view.
- 2. Soft-balancing is regarded as a strategy available to weak states [Whitaker, 2010]. Critically discuss the use of this power resource in African states relationship with established powers.

SECTION B

- 3. Christopher Clapham [1996, 256] describes the presence of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in Africa as one of the dimensions of the 'de-stating of external relations with Africa'. Discuss the nature of this relationship.
- 4. Critically examine the strategies used by African states and other members of the Global South to 'demand both club and public goods from the established powers' [Vickers, 2013, 690].
- 5. Discuss the salient characteristics of intra-African relations.