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**STRATHMORE INSTITUTE
DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
DIR 1206: CRITICAL APPROACHES TO FOREIGN POLICY**

Date: 13th January 2022

Time: 2 Hours

Instructions

1. This examination consists of **FIVE** questions.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.
3. Do not write on the question paper.

Question One (30 marks)

- i. Theories of International Relations allow us to understand and try to make sense of the world around us through various lenses, each of which represents a different theoretical perspective. Discuss the theories of realism and liberalism as relates to foreign policy analysis. (8 marks)
- ii. Graham Allison constructed three different models (or 'lenses') through which foreign policy analysts can examine events in the international arena. Elaborate on these three models. (9 Marks)
- iii. On 10th October 2021, Kenya celebrated its *Utamaduni* day. In four points, explain the relevance of such an event to foreign policy. (8 marks)
- iv. In your opinion, do you think the non-state actors are more powerful than the State in foreign policy? Explain your position with two appropriate examples. (5 marks)

Question Two (15 marks)

- i. Elaborate on the four protocols of the East Africa Community that will eventually see an integrated region. (8 marks)

- ii. In three points, what are the advantages of the unified passport in the East African Society? (7 marks)

Question Three (15 marks)

- i. Kenya and China continue to engage in various ways. Discuss four effects of China-Kenya economic ties on social and economic development in Kenya. (9 marks)
- ii. Describe three ways in which a leader's individual background impacts his/her ability to make decisions in foreign policy? (6 marks)

Question Four (15 marks)

- i. There are State and non-State actors when it comes to determination of foreign policy in decision making. In recent times, more and more non state actors are leading in this process. Discuss two of such non state actors on the continent and the way they have determined foreign policy-decision making. (8 marks)
- ii. Imagine you have been asked to draft a foreign policy that will be included in the peace process discussions for South Sudan. In a logical flow, illustrate the steps taken in drafting that policy. (7 marks)

Question Five (15 marks)

- i. State centrism has been diminished by globalization. Giving examples, discuss three ways globalization has impacted foreign policy. (9 marks)
- ii. Material explanations of in international relations tend to be associated with traditional theories that emphasize the ways in which particular structures impact state behaviour. Discuss three of such material approaches to foreign policy analysis. (6 marks)