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**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION
BIS 2201: FOREIGN POLICY ANALYSIS**

Date: April 2021

Time: 15:00 – 17:00

Instructions

1. This examination consists of **Five Questions**.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.
 1. Emphasising on their *theoretical utility* and their *identifiable limitations*, critically assess the following models of foreign policy decision making. Use relevant case studies. (30 marks)
 - a) Rational Actor Model
 - b) Bureaucratic Politics Model
 - c) Groupthink Model
 2. Using *a liberalist approach* to the understanding of foreign policy behaviour, critically evaluate Kenya's military engagement in Somalia in 2011. **(15 marks)**.
 3. Using Covid-19 pandemic as your point of focus, critically assess *any five domestic factors* that influence the formulation and implementation of a country's foreign policy **(15 marks)**.
 4. Focusing on any case that you are familiar with, assess the relevance of *the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Parliament* in maximizing our understanding of foreign policy decision making process. **(15 marks)**.
 5. In 2020, the Federal Government of Somalia severed her diplomatic relations with the government of Kenya citing interference with Somalia's internal affairs. Using this as your case study, examine the *utility of realism* in explaining foreign policy behaviour **(15 marks)**