



SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES
MASTER OF ARTS IN DIPLOMACY, INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY
MDIS 8121: STRATEGIC WARNING AND COUNTER INTELLIGENCE
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

Date: 25th August 2023

Time: 18:00 – 20:30

Instructions

1. This examination consists of **FIVE** questions.
2. Answer **Question ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions.

QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY

1a). Personnel security is one of the most important elements in defensive counterintelligence. Analyse the issues involved in assessing vulnerabilities using the MICE framework. (Money, ideology, compromise and ego) **(10 marks)**

1b). Discuss and explain key aspects of Kenya's counterintelligence strategy **(10 marks each)**

QUESTION 2

Deception is rooted in cognitive psychology and paradox of fiction. Assess this adage within the context of '*Operation mincemeat – the man that never was*' **(20 marks)**

QUESTION 3

Al Qaida's counterintelligence strategies effectively helped to execute the 9/11 attacks; however, this was hardly a strategic surprise. Comment **(20 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

With reference to the case of interference with US elections by Russia in 2016, examine and explain the main problems counter-intelligence operations face in cyber espionage; and the defensive and offensive counterintelligence protection measures that can be undertaken. (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Covert action is a form of offensive counterintelligence. Critically analyse how of the doctrine *plausible deniability* was negated in the case of the "*Bay of Pigs*" **(20 marks)**