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MDIS 8123: FOREIGN POLICY ANALYSIS
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

DATE: 23rd April 2024

Time: 18:00-20:30

Instructions

Answer question ONE (compulsory) and TWO others

SECTION A:

- 1) a. The use of states as the only actors in the foreign policy system is antiquated. Discuss using examples (15 marks)

- b. The practice of the unidirectional approach to analyse two states undermines the aggregated relations between the states. Comment (15 marks)

SECTION B:

- 2) Material power in foreign policy is overvalued. Use this statement to explain how nations without comprehensive national power articulate their foreign policies. (15 marks)
- 3) The operationalization of foreign policies by bureaus and government agencies requires standardized decision making models. Discuss (15 marks)
- 4) Poliheuristics underscores the importance external stimuli. Examine using examples (15 marks)
- 5) a. Societal norms are useful in determining the aspirations of nations' foreign relations. Elaborate this statement. (7 marks)

- b. Foreign policy decision and policy makers are anticipated to experience bounded rationality. Examine how this undermines decision making and explain at least FOUR means through which decision makers can circumvent it. (8 marks)