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FINAL EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER, MAY 2009

TITLE OF PAPER	:	HISTORY OF SWAZILAND
COURSE CODE	:	H200
TIME ALLOWED	:	THREE (3) HOURS
INSTRUCTIONS	:	1. OUT OF THE <u>EIGHT</u> (8) QUESTIONS, ANSWER <u>FOUR</u> (4), CHOOSING AT <u>LEAST ONE</u> (1) FROM EACH SECTION. 2. ALL QUESTIONS CARY EQUAL MARKS.

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SECTION A

1. Which institutions constituted 'a state' in the post Mfecane Swazi Society? Justify your choice of the institutions in question.
2. "The Swazi people are known for not stirring up fights over the question of succession". Discuss.
3. Why did King Mbandzeni grant the Royal Charter to the white settlers in 1881? Did it fulfill its intended purpose?
4. What was the impact of King Bhunu's trial by the Transvaal authorities on the Swazi traditional leadership?

SECTION B

5. Explain how Swaziland lost its independence towards the end of the 19th century.
6. What was the economic and social impact of British rule on the ethnic Swazi people by 1968?
7. How would you explain the failure of the progressive political parties to win Swazi elections in 1964 and 1967?
8. In what ways did the King's Proclamation of 1973 help the Swazi aristocracy to consolidate its economic power in the period which followed?