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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER, NOVEMBER, 2010

TITLE OF PAPER: COMPARATIVE HISTORY OF SLAVERY: ANCIENT AND NEW
WORLD SLAVERY

COURSE CODE: H618

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS
2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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1. (a) Discuss the origins and nature of slavery in either ancient Greece or ancient Rome.

OR

(b) Comment on the view that slavery existed in West Africa before the Trans-Atlantic slave trade.

2. "Different in principle but the same in reality." Discuss with reference to **either** the nature of slavery in Brazil and the USA or the nature of slavery in the USA and Spanish Latin America.
3. "For production and reproduction." Discuss with reference to the position and role of slave women in either the USA or Latin America during the 18th century.
4. (a) Analyse the long term and immediate causes of the Haitian Revolution and explain how it contributed towards the end of the institution of slavery in the Caribbean.

OR

(b) Evaluate the social and economic impact of the abolition of the Trans- Atlantic on West Africa.

5. (a) "Unlike in the USA where slavery was abolished after civil war, the abolition of slavery in Brazil was achieved by a moderate and gradual approach". Do you agree?

OR

(b) To what extent is it true to say that abolition only marginally improved the freedman's lives in the 19th century USA?

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