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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER JULY, 2014

TITLE OF PAPER : HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES: 1865-1920

COURSE CODE : H422/IDE H422

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : 1. ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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Question 1

Discuss the major provisions of President Lincoln's plan for readmitting the former rebel states back into the Union between 1863 and 1865. How did the Congressional Republicans react to Lincoln's plan for reconstructing the South and what alternative did they propose? Was the impasse between President Lincoln and Congress ever resolved? [25 marks]

Question 2

Describe the economic and social problems experienced by American industrial workers in the late 19th century. What solutions did the workers apply to address their plight? [25 marks]

Question 3

How did American Imperialists justify their desire for the creation of an American overseas empire during the last decade of the 19th century? [25 marks]

Question 4

Discuss the causes and results of the Spanish-American War of 1898. [25 marks]

Question 5

Discuss the factors that were responsible for the rise of the Progressive Movement in the United States at the turn of the 20th century. [25 marks]