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TITLE OF PAPER: EARLY EAST AFRICAN HISTORY TO
COLONIALISM

COURSE CODE: HIS417/IDE H416

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

Instructions: Answer any two (2) Questions. All Questions carry equal marks.

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1. EITHER (a) There was a flourishing Swahili civilisation along the coast of East African before the arrival of Europeans. How far do you agree? (25 marks)

OR

(b) Examine the influence of the Shiraz civilisation on the East African Coastal societies. (25marks)

2. EITHER (a) Critically examine any centralized political institutions that existed in East Africa before the arrival of Europeans and what does this reveal about the political ingenuity of Africans. (25 marks)

OR

(b) Explain why and how the Portuguese instilled and consolidated their power in East Africa up to the late 18th century. (25 marks)

3. EITHER (a) Explain the reasons for the Arabs Expansion from the coast to the interior. How did they influence Unyanyembe politics in the 19th century? (25 marks)

OR

(b) Why and how did Kenya became a British settler colony in the nineteenth century. (25 marks)

4. (a) What were the British motivations for taking over the political control of Uganda in the nineteenth century? (10 marks)

AND

(b) Examine the internal propitious conditions in Uganda which facilitated the British to take-over of Uganda (15 marks)

5. (a) What was the initial response that Tanzanians reserved for early German presence in their territory? (10 marks)

AND

(b) What Historical interpretation can you give to the Maji Maji revolt in South-Eastern Tanzania between 1905 and 1907? (15 marks)