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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualification:-

B.A.

Dutch 2HT5: Themes in Dutch and Belgian History Since 1930

COURSE CODE : DUTC2HT5

UNIT VALUE : 0.50

DATE : 30-APR-03

TIME : 14.30

TIME ALLOWED : 2 Hours

Answer THREE questions. You may NOT answer a question on the period selected for your assessed essay. Each answer has equal weight.

Period 1: The interwar period and the Second World War

Either:

a) Consider Hendrik de Man's contribution to the revision of Socialist theory.

or:

b) Describe and explain the nature of Dutch public debate in the late forties and fifties on the nation's experience of the Second World War.

Period 2: Post-war consensus, 1945-1960s

Either:

a) Do you agree with the statement that a Catholic 'socio-cultural community' emerged in Belgium in the course of the 1960s and 1970s? Why, or why not?

or:

b) What is the relationship between pillarisation, consociation and corporatism?

Period 3: New issues and problems, 1960s-1980s

Either:

a) Is it justified to define Flemish nationalism as a form of ethnic nationalism?

or:

b) Assess the relative importance of the Dutch tradition of tolerance in the making of the country's immigrant policies.

Period 4: Prospects, 1990s

Either:

a) Explain why it took until the 1990s for Belgian citizens to voice their discontent with the failings of their political institutions.

or:

b) Explain the concept of 'guide land' ('gidsland') in the current debate on Dutch national identity.

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