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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualification:-

B.A.

Scand. Studs. SC5620: Scandinavia and the Second World War

COURSE CODE : SCAN5620

UNIT VALUE

: 0.50

DATE

: 11-MAY-04

TIME

: 14.30

TIME ALLOWED

: 3 Hours

Answer TWO questions. Each question carries equal marks. Candidates must not cover the same ground as in other exam papers or in an extended essay.

- 1. Why was there not more support for facism in Denmark, Norway and Sweden in the 1930s?
- 2. Assess the Scandinavian nations' response to the foreign and defence challenges of the years prior to the Second World War.
- 3. Analyse the policy of the great powers towards Finland, 1939-40.
- 4. Why did Norway's policy of neutrality fail on 9 April 1940?
- 5. How effective were the actions of the resistance movement of Norway and Denmark?
- 6. 'Under a pretence of friendship and co-operation, [the Germans] managed to make our administration share their guilt as plunderers and oppressors.' Examine this assessment by Finn Støren of the role of Quisling's government in the German occupation of Norway.
- 7. Why did Finland go to war with the Soviet Union in 1941?
- 8. 'A question of practical politics'. To what extent is this a fair assessment of the Swedish policy of neutrality, 1940-45?
- 9. Explain why Finland avoided the fate of Germany's other allies in 1944-45.
- 10. Examine the response of the Scandinavian nations to the challenges of the early Cold War.