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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 : 04-MAY-06**

**TIME : 14.30**

**TIME ALLOWED : 3 Hours**

**Answer TWO questions. Both questions carry equal marks. Candidates must not cover the same ground as in other exam papers or in an extended essay.**

1. Why did fascism achieve a greater level of support in Finland than in Denmark, Norway and Sweden during the interwar period?
2. To what extent was Sweden prepared to assist in the defence of Finland from 1938 to March 1940?
3. EITHER (3) (a) Examine the role of the Nordic region in British and French strategy during the Winter War.  
OR (3) (b) Why was the neutrality of Denmark, Finland and Norway destroyed in the period 1939-40?
4. Examine the evolution of Finnish foreign policy from 13 March 1940 to the end of the Second World War.
5. 'A tainted neutrality'. Discuss this description of Swedish foreign policy between June 1940 and the end of the Second World War.
6. To what extent did Germany attempt to win the hearts and minds of the Danish and Norwegian peoples during the wartime occupation of Denmark and Norway?
7. What impact did the Second World War have on Iceland's position in international relations?
8. Why did Denmark, Norway and Sweden fail to form a defence union after the Second World War?
9. Examine the nature of the new relationship which developed between the Soviet Union and Finland between 1944 and 1948.