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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualifications:-

Coll Dip M.Sc.

ESGO1: Comparative Planning

COURSE CODE : **ENVSGO01**

DATE : **07-MAY-03**

TIME : **14.30**

TIME ALLOWED : **2 Hours**

ENVSGO01: COMPARATIVE PLANNING

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer TWO questions.

Start each answer on a fresh sheet of paper. Show your notes and your essay plan at the start of each answer. Examiners attach great importance to clear, relevant and logical answers supported by case studies where appropriate.

1. Can planners learn from studying other countries? Critically discuss the arguments on both sides of this debate.
2. Define EACH of the following concepts and explain how they contribute to our cross-national understanding of planning systems or policies. Use case examples to illustrate your explanations.
 - a. Convergence and Divergence
 - b. Globalisation
 - c. Cross-national policy transfer
3. Critically review the most useful criteria for identifying and ranking 'world cities'.
4. Ideology (such as socialism and capitalism) can be identified as a basis for variation in planning systems. Discuss the contention that it can be seen as a basis for variation in city land use and form.
5. Outline the planning system of any country or nation other than England and evaluate its effectiveness compared with that of the current English planning system. Use case studies or policy analyses to support your arguments but limit your comparison to one or two policy areas. (Comparisons with the systems and policies of Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland are acceptable).
6. Compare and contrast the history, objectives and practice of the American zoning system with the British system of development control.

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