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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For The Following Qualification:-

B.A.

Laws 6105: World Legal Orders

COURSE CODE : LAWS6105

UNIT VALUE : 1.00

DATE : 12-MAY-05

TIME : 10.00

TIME ALLOWED : 3 Hours 15 Minutes

WORLD LEGAL ORDERS

Answer **FOUR** questions.

1. What difference do lawyers make?
2. 'The articulation of rules and principles of private law in the form of a code provides an unequivocal statement of what the law is.'

Discuss, illustrating your answer with at least two examples drawn from legal systems covered in the course.

3. What is the importance of (a) Roman law and (b) Islamic law in the modern world?
4. To what extent does the effectiveness of its enforcement mechanisms illustrate the nature of a legal order?

Discuss with reference to at least three legal orders covered in the course.

5. In what ways might the EC be understood as a supranational enterprise and in what ways has this been crucial to the development of the EC legal order?
6. P. de Cruz in *Comparative Law in a Changing World* identifies three strategies for the successful convergence of legal systems:
 - a) active programmes for the unification of law;
 - b) transplantation of legal institutions; **and**
 - c) natural convergence.

Discuss.

7. What lessons about the importance of legal transplants can be learned from a study of the development of law in South Africa?
8. What types of problem do the rules relating to conflicts of law help to resolve?
9. **EITHER**
What are the essential differences between the English Common law and the major Civil law systems of Europe, viewed from an historical perspective?

OR

How far is it true to say that English law has a law of contract whereas the civil law systems of Europe have a law of contracts?

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