



UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2020

COURSE: POLITICAL RISK ANALYSIS

TIME: 5 HOURS

QUESTION PAPER: POLITICAL RISK ANALYSIS

MARKS 100

SUBJECT CODE: POL8X07

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(THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 2 PAGES)

Instructions

This is a five hour open book online test. You will log onto the specified portal on the exam day, write online, and your answers will be automatically submitted at the end of the 5 hours.

- 1. WRITE YOUR NAME ON EACH EXAM SCRIPT.**
 - 2. Answer all the questions in Section A.**
 - 3. Choose any 2 questions from Section B.**
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SECTION A: [Total 50 marks]

1. Define and discuss the following types of Political Risks and give appropriate illustrations in each case. (10)
 - a. Risk of indirect expropriation
 - b. Risk of political power alternation

- c. Risk of external conflict
- d. Risk of political violence
- e. Risk of revolution

2. Explain how the following issues can affect a Political Risk Analysis in a country of your choice. (10)

- a. Religion in politics
- b. Ethnic tensions
- c. Resource nationalism
- d. Law and order
- e. Corruption

3. Discuss how regulatory changes in currency Transfer and Conversion affects a business's operations. Illustrate with examples from the African region. (10)

4. Critically analyse the risks posed by an unregulated influx of immigrants in any African country of your choice? What are the potential implications on business operations? (10)

5. Discuss the differences between macro risks and micro risks in Political Risk Analysis. Discuss the most likely risk mitigation strategies for the two levels of risks. (10)

Section B

6. Debate the views by Claude Ake that '...factors that produce instability in one state might not be relevant to other political systems or produce the same type of instability elsewhere (Claude Ake)'. Discuss with reference to any two countries. (25)

7. Identify and discuss and top 5 top political risks of concern for the next 18 months in Africa. (25)

8. Describe the methods and techniques used to collect data for a Political Risk Analysis exercise. Which types do you think are more suitable for the SADC region and why? (25)