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DURATION: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: This paper has ELEVEN (11) QUESTIONS and TWO (2) pages. Students are required to answer a total of THREE (3) questions. One question must be answered from each section.

SECTION 1

1. Kalina society was structured in such a way that they were able to resist the invading Spaniards; Lokono Society was not. Discuss.

2. Mayan Society was a complex and highly advanced one. Discuss

3. In today’s society, women have made great strides. Do you agree? What would you cite as reasons for these gains? However, there is still much to be done. Discuss.

4. What are the obstacles, perceived or real, that have prevented so many CARICOM member states from joining the appellate jurisdiction of the CARICOM Court of Justice?

SECTION 2

5. Compare the electoral systems and demographics of Guyana and Haiti?

6. First Past the Post and Proportional Representation are considered to be the key electoral forms in CARICOM. Discuss both with regard to flaws, positive aspects and explain which one works better in terms of achieving democracy.

7. Both Marx and Montesquieu have made major contributions to the discussion surrounding societies, societal approaches and governance. Choose one and identify how our environment has been affected by his contribution.
SECTION 3

8. Criminal activity in CARICOM states continues to be a major source of concern for authorities. Discuss and identify major causes.

9. The WTO was established to ensure that all countries benefit from formal global activity, but CARICOM states have not been able to take advantage of the opportunities offered. What would these states need to do to benefit?

10. Poverty exists throughout CARICOM. Give examples of the various aspects of poverty and identify one CARICOM state that has taken steps to reduce its impact. How far has that state been successful?

11. The plantation society was the first of the three societies to exist in CARICOM countries since their conquest by Europe. Creole and plural societies arose from this early society. Where are we now?

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