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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA TEACHER EDUCATION

ARE 0104: PHENOMENOLOGY OF RELIGION

DATE: 6/12/2017

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer three questions only. Question one is compulsory

1. a) Discuss six positive functions of religion (10 marks)
b) Outline the advantages of the phenomenological study of religion (10 marks)
c) Discuss the characteristics of religious symbols (10 marks)
2. With relevant illustrations, explain what you understand by Satres slogan 'existence precedes essence' (20 marks)
3. Write short notes on the types of the secularization process (20 marks)
4. Describe the origin, emergence and characteristics of the independent churches (20 marks)
5. Citing relevant examples, discuss three characteristics of the mystical state (20 marks)