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THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CRIMINOLOGY AND
SECURITY STUDIES

CRSS 312: CRIME AND URBANIZATION

STREAM:

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: MONDAY [14.30 P.M-16.30 P.M]

DATE: 2/02/20226

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO (2) PAGES

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Instructions: Answer all questions in **SECTION A** and any **TWO** in **SECTION B**

SECTION A (30 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE

- (a) Explain four mechanisms of urbanization in Africa [10 Marks]
- (b) Discuss four preconditions for the transformation of Nyahururu into an urban area [10 Marks]
- (c) Briefly explain the structure of Nairobi as an urban area [10 Marks]

SECTION B (40 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Explain any three security and crime related issues that urban areas pose to peri-urban communities [10 Marks]
- (b) Discuss three characteristics of urban communities that predispose it to crime and insecurity [10 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Explain three ways on how urban authorities can utilize urban spaces to contain crime and insecurity in urban areas [10 Marks]
- (b) Discuss any three ways on how rural - urban migrations contribute to crime and insecurity in urban areas [10 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Explain any four focal concerns that independent-sub cultures theorists identify as survival strategies of urban youths from deprived backgrounds [10 Marks]
- (b) Explain four ways on how the provision of formal education acts as a preventive measure against urban crimes [10 Marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) Discuss three ways on how prostitution amounts to crime and insecurity even in urban areas where the practice is legalized [10 Marks]
- (b) Explain four factors that exacerbate formation and spread of gangs in urban areas (10marks)