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**2023\_2 EXAMINATIONS**

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**Course Code:** PCR 417

**Course Title:** International Relations and Security

**Time Allowed:** 3 Hours

**Instruction:** Answer any four questions.

Question 1

“Peace-building is the set of initiatives by diverse actors in government and civil society to address the root causes of violence and protect civilians before, during, and after violent conflict.” Discuss some basic activities and issues that have to be taken into consideration in the processes of peace-building? (17.5 marks)

Question 2 (a)

Explain the three fundamental variables of the Copenhagen school of thought on securitisation (9 marks)

Question 2 (b)

Discuss the major techniques of balancing power in the international system. (8.5 marks)

Question 3

The international system has been described as a ‘two way thing’, whereby nations interact in order to give what it has and to take from the environment; what it lacks, discuss the international system in the context of Kaplan’s models (17.5 marks)

Question 4

Discuss the approaches to integration and the four-function paradigm

Question 5

Within the larger structure, virtually all groups use variants of cellular organisations at the tactical level, discuss with notable examples terrorism in the context of individuals, groups and states (17.5 marks)

Question 6

Discuss power and its variant in the context of modern geopolitical landscape (17.5 marks)