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**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS, PEACE, LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE**  
**NPHR501R: INTERNATIONAL & REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEMS**  
**END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

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**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

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**Instructions to Candidates**

1. Answer **two** questions only.
2. **Question 1** in **Section A** is **compulsory** and carries **70** marks.
3. The **optional** question you select to answer from **Section B** carries **30** marks.
4. You are encouraged to provide appropriate references where necessary in your work.
5. Any cases of positive exam misconduct will be punished in terms University Regulations.

## **SECTION A**

### **Question 1**

Choosing any two regional human rights systems from among the European, African and Inter-American regional human rights systems, briefly discuss any similarities and differences between the two systems you select. Cite one or two cases heard under the two selected systems' court systems dealing with similar issues e.g. indigenous peoples' rights.  
**[70 marks]**

## **SECTION B**

### **Question 2**

In a speech given on 5 October 1995, Pope John Paul II applauded the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) of 1948 and called it, *“one of the highest expressions of the human conscience of our time.”*

Briefly explain the key differences between the UDHR (1948) and the Organisation of Islam Cooperation's Cairo Declaration of Human Rights in Islam (CDHRI) of 1990, which differences explain why unlike most Muslim-majority countries that include Egypt, Iran and Pakistan who signed the UDHR in 1948, Saudi Arabia, did not sign it. **[30 marks]**

### **Question 3**

You are the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and the year is 2028. The UN Secretary General is preparing the second 6-year report to the General Assembly regarding the state of the UN treaty body system. The Secretary General has asked for your advice on what reforms to recommend for the UN system particularly with respect to the Security Council, and what obstacles such reforms would face and what their likely impact would be. What would be your response? **[30 marks]**

**END OF EXAMINATION**