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PG419: REFUGEE STUDIES

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EXAMINATION PAPER

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question **NUMBER 1** which is **compulsory** and any other **TWO** questions.

Each question carries 100 marks

Candidates are expected to use relevant examples and cases in answering essay questions

1. Read the case study below and answer the questions that follow;

Amir is a 30 year old Christian leader from Baghdad, Iraq who been detained by secret police under Saddam Hussein's regime and subjected to electrical shocks for a period of nine months on account of his operation of an underground Christian radio station. He eventually fled to Sweden during the US military intervention in Iraq in 2003. As of 2009, Iraqi authorities have taken over responsibility for security of the country from the Multinational Forces/Iraq/US Forces. Nevertheless, Amir claims that there has been no change within Iraq; that there is a complete lack of security, exemplified by a plethora of kidnappings, car bombs, and assassinations. He states that he is terrified of returning, as he is "finished" with Iraq and that he is suffering from continuous nightmares that he treats with anti-anxiety medication.

The UN Secretary General issued a report in May 2010 stating that access to quality education, shelter, electricity and sanitation services are compromised. Insufficient access to water is chronic, as is unemployment and under-

employment. According to Iraqi government statistics, only 18,240 Iraqi refugees returned from exile from January 2010 to August 2010. The UN refugee agency said in its December 2010 statistical update that a total of 118,890 Iraqi refugees and internally displaced persons returned to their country and homes, a 40 percent drop compared with 2009. Over 1.5 million people remain displaced within the country while hundreds of thousands of people are still living as refugees in neighbouring countries, mainly in Syria and Jordan.

You work as a Refugee Case manager in UNHCR's Stockholm Office. You have been asked to prepare a memo analyzing whether or UNHCR should advise the Swedish Immigration Authorities to apply the cessation clause to Iraqi refugees.

- a) Draft advisory guidelines to be issued to the State: What are the criteria for application of cessation clauses and are there categories of persons that should be exempted from application of cessation clauses? (60)
 - b) Would Amir be likely to be exempted from cessation? (40)
2. Critique the **THREE** United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) durable solutions to the refugee crisis.
 3. Examine the efficacy of the Refugee Aid and Development approach in Africa.
 4. With reference to Tongogara Refugee Camp in Zimbabwe, assess the contribution of civil society organisations in alleviating the plight of the refugees.
 5. Identify and discuss the main stages of the refugee journey and the psychosocial issues experienced at each stage.

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