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BACHELOR OF LAWS (LL.B) DEGREE EXAMINATION

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I – PIL 201

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: QUESTION 1 IS COMPULSORY. IN ADDITION TO QUESTION 1, ANSWER THREE OTHER QUESTIONS

1. A territory called Maluti has for sixty years been under British colonial rule. Maluti is made up of seven ethnic groups, each of which is located in each of the seven colonial administrative divisions of the territory. In the course of British colonial rule in the territory, there have been reports of ethnic tensions among the seven ethnic groups. Britain has now proposed to grant political independence to Maluti in 2020 but the problem of ethnic tensions and the fear of political domination of one ethnic group by the other persist. Indigenous Malutian politicians have been debating the better structure of government between a unitary and a federal system in post-independence Malutian Constitution. As part of preparation towards political independence, the British colonial authorities have come to hire your services as a lawyer to advise on the appropriate structure of government that will be incorporated in the proposed Malutian Constitution.

What form or structure of government would you advise will best accommodate the interests of all Malutian and what features would you ensure are written in the draft constitution to actualize the tenets of your preferred structural option?

2. Write short notes on the following:
 - (a) Constitutional autochthony, and
 - (b) Structure of Division of powers between the Federal Government and State Governments under Nigerian Constitution.
3. A calm look at presidential and parliamentary systems of government as practised in Nigeria and Britain, respectively shows that the doctrine of separation of powers in never absolutely adhered to. Discuss.
4. Enumerate the various sources of Constitutional Law.
5. List the basic features of presidential system of government.
6. Write short notes on the following:
 - (a) Doctrine of covering the field.
 - (b) The issues agitation for the restructuring of Nigerian Federation.
 - (c) The notion that Britain has an unwritten constitution.