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DIPLOMA IN LOGISTICS AND TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

BLT 2109: TRANSPORT OPERATIONS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: FEBRUARY 2015

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of **FIVE** questions.
- Answer question **ONE (Compulsory)** and any other **TWO** questions.

This paper consists of Two printed pages.

QUESTION 1 (Compulsory)

One of the key areas in transportation is facilitating role in the global economy. It holds a central role in driving the social and economic developments of any country. In highlight of the above:

- a) Discuss the importance of transportation. **(10 marks)**
- b) Explain the challenges of transportation in modern society. **(10 marks)**
- c) Discuss the different modes required when delivering goods in a logistics firm. **(10 marks)**

QUESTION 2

- a) Define the term 'intermodal' in the context of freight transportation. **(5 marks)**
- b) Discuss the challenges that are faced in the expansion of freight intermodalism. **(15 marks)**

QUESTION 3

- a) Highlight the advantages of multimodal transportation. **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss the different information technology systems used in recording transactions. **(10 marks)**

QUESTION 4

- a) You are the transport manager of XYZ Ltd Company. Briefly discuss the methods of regulating transport in Kenya. **(10 marks)**
- b) Highlight the importance of regulating transport. **(10 marks)**

QUESTION 5

- a) Discuss the various value adding roles of warehousing as a collection, storage and distribution centre. **(10 marks)**
- b) Explain the advantages and disadvantages of cross docking. **(10 marks)**