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CHRISTIAN SERVICE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE KUMASI

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION STUDIES

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMMUNICATION SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

End of First Semester Examination, 2018/2019 Academic Year

Level 400

BACS 411: MANAGEMENT AND RESEARCH IN PUBLIC RELATIONS

August 2019

DURATION: TWO HOURS (2) THIRTY (30) MINUTES (100) MARKS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

- Provide your answers in the Answer Booklet
- Answer ANY THREE questions
- Note: TEN Marks will be awarded for clarity of expression (grammar) and logical presentation of facts.
- Write your index number clearly at the top of the question paper

- 1. Write short notes on ALL the following:
 - a) Focus Group Discussion
 - b) Qualitative research
 - c) Strategic management
 - d) Three functions of public relations department
 - e) Communication Audit

(30 MARKS)

2. *Help International* is an international Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) with offices in Kumasi. Help International is dedicated to providing assistance to abused girls and women within the Accra metropolis.

As part of its programme for 2019, it has set an objective of educating 40 percent of Accra residents (i.e. both men and women) within a twelve month period to change their attitude and behaviour towards girls and women. As the Communications Manager of *Help International*, put together a communication plan to help achieve this objective.

(30 MARKS)

- 3. The Accra Metropolitan Assembly (A.M.A.) received a lot of bashing on both mainstream and social media for its handling of the June 3 fire and flood disaster that claimed over 100 Ghanaian lives. As the newly appointed crisis communication expert for the Assembly, what will be your approach to Message, Audience and Channel strategies in managing crisis communication at the Crisis Phase in any future crisis occurrence? (30 MARKS)
- 4. Sponsorship is an important tool used in enhancing a company's corporate image. What are the benefits and drawbacks of a sponsorship programme? (30 MARKS)
- You are the Head, Public Relations Department of Splendid Solutions Limited, an internet service provider with the largest market share in Ghana. The company has plans of rolling out a unique internet service package for residential users in 2019. (30 MARKS)

The organisational goal for 2019 is to enhance the reputation of Splendid Solutions Limited as a quality internet service provider Top management has directed you to submit a public relations plan for 2019. Put together a public relations plan that effectively describes the public relations programme for 2019. (30 MARKS)