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MCPS 6101 – Conflict and Peace Studies Foundations
Duration: Three (03) hours only

Answer Three (03) Questions Only

1. Answer **Both** Sections
 - i. Explain what is meant by a “macro” theory as opposed to a “micro” theory
 - ii. Explain why Relative Deprivation is considered a macro theory.

2. Answer **Both** Sections
 - i. What are the necessary components of Protracted Social Conflict (PSC) according to Edward Azar’s theoretical foundation?
 - ii. Do these components account for all of the descriptive and sustaining aspects of PSC?

3. Answer **Both** Sections
 - i. Analyze the three types of issues that are likely to be produced through intractable conflicts.
 - ii. Explain the Coleman’s eight guidelines for intervening in intractable conflicts.

Conflict forecasting is an essential part in preventing violent conflict before it erupts. In this process, it is imperative to understand the factors that may be pushing the world into a new period of dangers. Briefly explain four factors with examples that may be pushing the world into conflicts.

Imagine you are a peace researcher conducting a field survey data collection in a war affected area. As a peace researcher explain how you would conduct your systematic data collection and what type of field data you would consider as ethically relevant?

Write notes on any **Two (02)** of the following:

- i. Cyber War
- ii. Five approaches to Conflict
- iii. Identity Conflict
- iv. Asymmetrical Conflict