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STRATEGIC MARKETING

CBU 4201

**Second semester examination paper
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This examination paper consists of 2 pages

**Time allowed: 3 hours 30 minutes
Total Marks: 100**

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer question **one** and any other **three** questions.

INFORMATION TO CANDIDATES

- (i) Question **one** carries **40** marks and all other questions carry **20** marks.
- (ii) Questions may be answered in any order.
- (iii) As much as possible, use relevant examples.
- (iv) This paper contains **seven** questions.

MARK ALLOCATION

Question	Mark Allocation
1	40
2	20
3	20
4	20
5	20
6	20
7	20
Total (for four questions)	100

Question 1 -Compulsory

Case study: Apple from the iPod to the iPad

Required

- (a) Discuss Apples' product mix. In your answer comment on the product line breath and depth. **(15 marks)**
- (b) Using the BCG model examine Apples' products in terms of market growth rate and relative market share. **(15 marks)**
- (c) Comment on the Ipad's contribution to profitability in the years 2010 to 2012. **(10marks)**

Question 2

'Strategy development in organizations is highly dependent on corporate strategies' Discuss. **(20 marks)**

Question 3

"Organizational structure follows strategy, Chandler (Dec 2007)." Elaborate on the implications of this statement. **(20 marks)**

Question 4

Recommend appropriate control mechanisms to measure and monitor the progress of an implemented marketing strategy. **(20 marks)**

Question 5

Discuss the attack and defense strategies adopted by firms where there is intense rivalry. **(20 marks)**

Question 6

Account for how the 'people side' of an organization can be managed to enable successful strategic implementation? **(20 marks)**

Question 7

- (a) Outline and explain the key features of a marketing plan. **(15 marks)**
- (b) Comment on the barriers to effective marketing planning. **(5 marks)**

END OF EXAMINATION