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**BSC IN JOURNALISM AND MEDIA STUDIES II**  
**MEDIA, HUMAN RIGHTS & DEMOCRACY (IJM 2211)**  
**2012 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS**  
**TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- (i) Answer any four questions
- (ii) Poor spelling and grammar will be penalized
- (iii) Do not repeat material used in answering another question

**Question 1**

“Only those aware of rights infringed and dignity flouted can be indignant.” Discuss the role of media in promoting and preserving human rights. **[25 marks]**

**Question 2**

“We want to wipe out the ZAPU leadership ... The murderous organization and its murderous leadership must be hit so hard that it doesn't feel obliged to do the things it has been doing”. (Chronicle, 21 November 1985).

With reference to this quotation by then Zimbabwe's Home Affairs Minister Enos Nkala, discuss how media in Zimbabwe in particular and Africa in general has been 'used' to support human rights abuses.

**[25 marks]**

**Question 3**

Free press and democracy are intrinsically related. Discuss. **[25 marks]**

**Question 4**

Explain giving specific examples why Africa has got such a poor track record as far as democracy is concerned. **[25 marks]**

**Question 5**

Discuss the basic elements of democracy and the role of the media in promoting these elements. **[25 marks]**

**Question 6**

In your opinion, does the doctrine of separation of powers guarantee that the rule of law will be observed? Give reasons for your answer. **[25 marks]**