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FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCE
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MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

STAGE II JULY 2010 SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

ILI 5106: INFORMATION POLICY STUDIES

TIME: 3 HOURS + 30 MINUTES READING TIME

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer any four (4) questions.
 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
 3. Give equal time to all questions.
 4. Importance is attached to accuracy, clarity and legible handwriting.
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1. Critically evaluate the basis of the Copyright Law in Zimbabwe. In the process, identify provisions of this law that are especially relevant to libraries and the challenges that they present.
2. You were tasked to closely examine the New York Public Library's policy. What lessons can be learnt by Zimbabwe in the formulation of a National Information Policy? Conclude by making comments on the consequences of relying on foreign expertise.
3. Discuss the issues that should be addressed by a National Information Policy with special reference to library and information services.
4. Critique the notion that information must be safeguarded or controlled. Use theories to support your ideas.
5. Explain any five (5) characteristics of the policy environment and show how each characteristic can affect information policy in Zimbabwe.
6. Discuss the stages of law making and legislative procedures in Zimbabwe.

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