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SECOND OPPORTUNITY/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER	
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	INSTRUCTIONS
1.	Answer <u>TWO</u> questions only.
2.	Write clearly and neatly.
3.	Number the answers clearly.

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 5 PAGES (Including this front page)

QUESTION 1 (PUBLIC RELATIONS VS CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS)

(35 Marks)

Public relations and corporate communications have a lot of similarities but their objective and tactics are often quite different and sometimes conflicting. Discuss extensively with examples from Namibia.

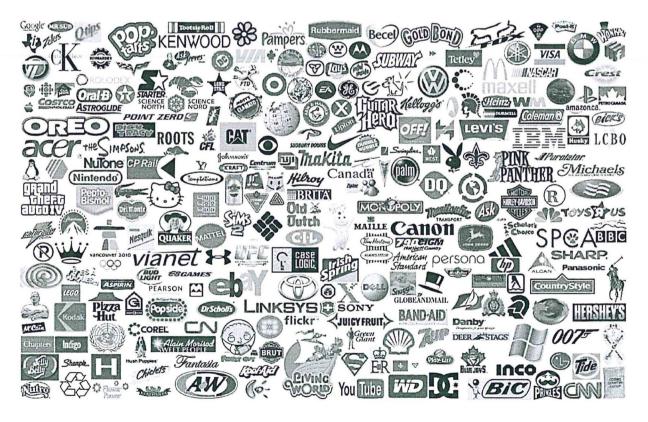
QUESTION 2 (CAMPAIGNS) (35 Marks)

- i) Explain the key reasons informing the creation of a campaign. (8 Marks)
- ii) Discuss, with examples, the <u>three (3)</u> key ways a campaign accomplishes its purposes? (12 Marks)
- iii) With examples, discuss, any three (3) elements of a successful campaign. (15 Marks)

QUESTION 3 (BRANDING) (35 Marks)

Review the figure below that depicts well-known international brands.

- a. Pick <u>five</u> (5) of the international brands that are popular in Namibia and against each, explain why you think they are popular in Namibia. (15 Marks)
- b. List <u>five</u> (5) popular wholly Namibian brands and briefly explain why they are popular in Namibia. (10 Marks)
- List <u>five</u> (5) wholly Namibian brands (not pictured below) that are not popular and explain how you would popularize them.
 (10 Marks)



QUESTION 4

(THEORY OF CRISIS COMMUNICATION)

(35 Marks)

i. Explain Situational Crisis Communication Theory (SCCT).

(5 Marks)

- ii. Read through the <u>two</u> (2) stories below which form part of what could become a crisis at the State House of Namibia.
 - a. Give a summary of the two (2) stories.

(10 Marks)

b. Explain how you think *The Presidency* should deal with the current crisis on the installation of an elevator at former Vice President Hon. Nickey lyambo's home against the President's orders. (20 Marks)

Two Stories from The Namibian newspaper



Iyambo's elevator saga irks Geingob

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by Shinovene Immanuel

Hage Geingob and Nickey Iyambo

AN irritated president Hage Geingob "yelled" at his top administrators last year after they informed him about a proposal to install an elevator at a state-owned house occupied by former vice president Nickey Iyambo.

Several months later, that elevator was installed, a clear-cut sign that officials had ignored the president, a person familiar with this episode told *The Namibian* over the weekend.

This defiance prompted State House to investigate and to possibly charge the culprits after weeks of living in denial.

A source said a Chinese company illegally installed the N\$1 million elevator at a house situated in Eros in Windhoek two weeks ago.

The Namibian was tipped off about the Chinese connection a day after the paper first reported last month that senior government officials had discussed a proposal to install a N\$2 million elevator at the state-owned house occupied by Iyambo. Initially, Geingob was allegedly annoyed about that article because it made it appear as if the elevator tender was still being considered. Geingob believed at the time that this case had been closed since he had instructed his top officials not to go ahead with the project.

A person briefed about this matter said Geingob fumed at Samuel /Goagoseb – the permanent secretary to the president at the time – last year for entertaining this tender. Even presidential affairs minister Martin Andjaba denied the elevator story last month when asked by *The Namibian*, saying "there will never be plans to upgrade the house".

ADMISSION

It turned out that the elevator plan was still on the cards, and it was installed two weeks after *The Namibian* had published the story. The Presidency issued a statement on Friday, admitting that "shockingly", the elevator was installed, but it was illegal since no decision was made to install any elevator at the house.

"Regrettably, unprincipled officials hastily and clandestinely installed the elevator between 1 and 8 April 2019, without consultation and prior knowledge of senior management in the Presidency," State House spokesperson Alfredo Hengari said in a statement.

He said senior officials in the Presidency concluded that the elevator installation at the house was illegal. "The installation was carried out without due authorisation and respect for procurement procedures," he added.

Hengari said: "Geingob has repeatedly instructed government officials to do more with less, and not to engage in frivolous or unauthorised spending of government resources". According to him, officials who illegally installed the N\$1 million elevator will be charged.

"President Hage Geingob mandated management in the Presidency, acting in close collaboration with the secretary to Cabinet George Simataa, and the executive director in the Office of the Prime Minister, to do everything possible to identify the culprits, and lay charges in accordance with the applicable laws of the Republic of Namibia," Hengari stated. The spokesperson said: "Those implicated, whether in government or the private sector, will be prosecuted accordingly, and made to pay for this illegal expenditure".

Hengari described the defiance by certain State House officials as "unauthorised, unprocedural and illegal [which] seeks to tarnish the commitment of president Geingob to effective governance".

"Irrespective of the underlying reasons and motivations of these individuals, their actions are clearly illegal as they were not authorised, nor did they follow the laid-down mandatory procedures of procurement, which serve as checks and balances to prevent illegal, unauthorised expenditure," he continued.

It is still unclear which officials will be held accountable for this saga, but some suspect that investigators could question former permanent secretary in the Presidency /Goagoseb, who was the chief administrator at State House. /Goagoseb, who was appointed Namibia's ambassador to Cuba last year, was unreachable for comment.

State House did not respond to questions about Geingob being irritated by his officials who, for decades, used "national security" as smokescreen to push through secretive and questionable tenders. Former vice president lyambo was also unreachable for comment.

UNCHECKED ENTITLEMENT

Iyambo's accommodation came under scrutiny after presidential affairs minister Andjaba announced in parliament last month that the government had offered the former vice president a house as a temporary measure.

The house was offered to him after he moved out of another state-owned house following his replacement by Nangolo Mbumba as vice president in February last year.

lyambo, who was forced to step down due to ill-health, temporarily returned to his private house in Eros. But sources said he informed the government that he wanted a temporary residence while he renovated that house.

The Namibian understands that Iyambo's children are staying at his private house, while he stays at the state-owned house where Geingob stayed when he was prime minister. The house was renovated with taxpayers' money, and allocated to Iyambo.

Iyambo is said to have complained to State House about the stairs at the house. That is when State House officials called for companies to bid for the elevator tender. One of the companies asked N\$2 million for the job.

Sitting vice presidents under the Presidential Remuneration and other Benefits' Act get almost everything for free. The perks for retired vice presidents, however, are not clarified by law, leaving a loophole for abuse. Iyambo earned N\$1,5 million per year as vice president, with a string of benefits extended to his family. https://www.namibian.com.na/77619/read/lyambos-elevator-saga-irks-Geingob

State House deputy director ends own life

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A DEPUTY director at State House allegedly took his own life this morning, a few days after the presidency vowed to charge people responsible for illegally installing a N\$1 million elevator at a house occupied by former vice president Nickey Iyambo.

Two people familiar with this matter said the official was involved in the installation of the elevator.

The Namibian cannot reveal the name of the official until it has been confirmed that the official's family has been informed. Confirmation from the police is also still being awaited.

The presidency announced on Friday that officials who illegally installed a N\$1 million elevator at the state-owned house occupied by former vice president Nickey Iyambo will be charged. State House spokesperson Alfredo Hengari announced this in a media statement issued on Friday. According to Hengari, "those implicated, whether in government or the private sector, will be prosecuted accordingly, and made to pay for this illegal expenditure".

He said senior officials in the presidency concluded that the elevator installation at the house was illegal. The scheme was uncovered after it came to light that certain officials had illegally authorised the installation of the elevator at a cost of around N\$1 million, Hengari said. https://www.namibian.com.na/77631/read/State-House-deputy-director-ends-own-life

END OF EXAM & BEST OF LUCK