Question 4

(a) Give an example of a matrix M that is not rearrangeable even through every column and every row contains at least one entry that equals 1.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Describe an efficient algorithm that determines if M is rearrangeable.

We can use bipartite matching to determine if M is rearrangeable. One way to do this is to create a graph with one vertex for every column and one vertex for every row. You then add edges for every element in M that equals 1 connecting the ith row vertex with the jth column vertex. If the number of bipartite matches equals n, M is rearrangeable.

Since the number of vertexes is 2n, and the worst case number of edges is $O(n^2)$ since every element in the matrix could be 1. Finding a bipartite matching requires solving a max flow problem which is O(|V|*|E|). Thus, this algorithm has a worst case of $O(n^3)$ which is in polynomial time.