



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
**14/16 AHMADU BELLO WAY VICTORIA ISLAND**  
**LAGOS**

**OCTOBER 2013 EXAMINATIONS**  
**School of Arts and Social Sciences**

**Course Code:** ISL324  
**Course Title:** Abbāsid Caliphate II  
**Credit Unit:** 2.0 Units  
**Time Allowed:** 2 hrs

**Instruction:** **Answer only THREE questions in all**

1. Write a note on each of the following dynasties:
  - i. Idrisid dynasty
  - ii. Aghlabid dynasty
  - iii. Tulunid dynasty

**(24 marks)**
2. Discuss the Hulagu invasion of Baghdad and its effect on the Abbasid administration.

**(23 marks)**
3. Summarize how the Abbasids ascended the Khilafah with particular reference to the role played by Abu Muslim.

**(23 marks)**
4. Discuss some of the achievements of Harun Rashid as a Khalifah.

**(23 marks)**

5. Discuss in detail the rebellion of the Zanj led by Ali ibn Muhammad.  
**(23 marks)**