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Course Code: CSS 755. Course Title: : Patterns and Trends of Crime in Nigeria

Instruction: Answer 3 questions in all.

Time: 2hours

1a). Critically discuss the justified rationale for laws and punishment according to Cesare Beccaria's perspective in classical theory of criminology. **(13 Marks)**

1b). Labelling theory is also known as social interactionism. Enumerate the assumption of this theory. **(10 Marks)**

2a). The idea that crime can be measured is a positivist idea. Discuss the origin of crime statistics. **(13 Marks)**

2b). Briefly discuss **five (5)** ways by which crime statistics can be used. **(10 Marks)**

3a). There are factors that influence public reporting of crime. Explain. **(11 Marks)**

3b). Discuss the following unofficial sources of crime statistics

1. Weighting of crime
2. Direct observation
3. Self-report studies
4. Victim-survey. **(12 Marks)**

4). Criminal activities are on the increase in our contemporary society. Discuss the obstacles to policing in Nigeria. **(23 Marks)**

5a). The police record as a source of crime statistics in Nigeria is not reliable. Discuss how Nigeria Police Force raw record of crime and crime statistics can be improved upon. **(13 Marks)**

5b). Explain the most common types of terrorist tactics used in unleashing mayhem on the society. **(10 Marks)**