

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATION JANUARY 2017

LAW

Time Allowed – 1 hour 30 minutes

Answer Three Questions:

- one from Section A
- the compulsory question in Section B
- the compulsory question in Section C

Section A carries 40 marks Section B carries 30 marks Section C carries 30 marks

SECTION A (40 marks)

Answer one of the following questions:

1. Discuss the potential role of the law in <u>one</u> of the following areas. Explain why it might be controversial. Discuss how and to what extent the law might contribute to a resolution of the problems in the area:

Brexit Human Trafficking Global Warming Human Rights Protection

- 2. How would you define the word "justice," and what is its relationship to law?
- 3. Many people commit offences of underage drinking, far fewer commit the offence of murder. Explain why this might be.

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SECTION B (30 marks)

A law has been drafted which relates to the running of a particular public park. It says, simply, "No vehicles may be driven in the park". You are a judge who has to decide in the cases of the following individuals:

- a) Mary, who has been found riding a hoverboard (self-balancing scooter) in the park.
- b) Paul, who has driven a fire engine into the park to rescue a cat that had become trapped up a tree.

Which of either of these defendants do you decide is guilty? Explain your reasoning in each case.

SECTION C (30 Marks)

"Cyberbullying, in its different forms, is common among children and adolescents and is facilitated by the increased use of technology. The consequences of cyberbullying could be severe, especially on mental health, potentially leading to suicide in extreme cases. Although parents, schools and online social networking sites are encouraged to provide a safe online environment, little is known about the legal avenues which could be utilised to prevent cyberbullying or act as a deterrent". (El Asam, A. & Samara, M. Computers in Human Behaviour, 2016.)

Provide one argument for the criminalisation (to make it a criminal offence) of cyberbullying and one argument against.