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FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

EXAM CODE:-

MBA 828

COURSE TITLE:- AIRLINE BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

DATE:- 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2017

TIME:- 9.00A.M. - 12.00NOON.

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Final Examination (June to August 2017 Semester)

Time 03:00 Hrs

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Instructions

- 1. Answer Question one and any other three questions.
- 2. Be clear and precise

Ouestion One

Case Study

Airlines have been observed to operate in profit and loss cycles whereby each cycle lasts between 5 to 10 years. This has led to airlines reporting huge losses and appealing to National governments for a financial bail out.

- i) Discuss four causes of the profit and loss cycles. (12 Marks)
- ii) Propose five strategies that may be used by the airline management to minimize the severity of the effects of the above profit and loss cycles. (5 Marks)

Question Two

- i) Explain the meaning of the term "Airline fleet Management". (5 Marks)
- ii) Discuss three factors that would make an airline opt to lease aircraft equipment instead of buying. (6 Marks)

Question Three

- i) Discuss four factors you would consider when selecting the most suitable aircraft equipment for your airline. (8 Marks)
- ii) Discuss three factors that an airline considers to determine when to dispose aircraft equipment. (3 Marks)

Question Four

- i) Explain the meaning of the term "hub". (3 Marks)
- ii) Discuss four advantages that a hub provides to an airline. (8 Marks)

Question Five

- i) Explain the meaning of the term "Global Distribution System (GDS)". (3 Marks)
- ii) Discuss four reasons as to why online sale of airline products has not been successful in Kenya. (8 Marks)

Question Six

- i) Discuss why most African governments are not comfortable with the mode of business of airline alliances. (5 Marks)
- ii) Propose and explain three measures that African governments can take to protect small air carriers registered in their countries from effects of airline alliances.

 (6 Marks)

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