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ASSESSMENT TEST: Semester 2, 2004-2005

STUDY UNIT: PHI1002 Ethics

DATE: Friday 27th May 2005

TIME: 16.45 – 19.45

Please remember to write your:

Surname and Name

Question Number

on each foolscap.

Answer one question from each section

Please use a separate foolscap for each answer.

Section A: Ethics I

1. Aristotle's claimed that the good life for man is "an activity of the soul in accordance with excellence". Discuss
2. Discuss the *objectivist* and *subjectivist* meaning of moral goodness.

Section B: Ethics II

3. Discuss how ethics for Aristotle and Aquinas is not concerned primarily with how the observer determines whether specific actions are good or bad but rather how the agent becomes good or bad through his activity.
4. According to Kant, the morally good person is the one who strives to do what he ought to do rather than the one who acts either from *inclination* or *self-interest*. Discuss.

Section C: Ethics III

5. Discuss the claim that the moral rightness or wrongness of an action depends on its consequences. illustrating you points with examples.
6. What should determine the value of life? Discuss the question fully.