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Faculty of Arts University Village, Nnamdi Azikiwe Express, Plot 91, Cadastral Zone, Jabi, Abuja 2022_2 EXAMINATION

Programme: MA Islamic Studies
Name of Subject: Islamic Studies

Course/Title: ISL 840: Mutazilism and Ash'arism (Reason and

Revelation)

2.0 Units Time Allowed: 2 hrs.

Instruction to candidates: Answer any THREE questions

- 1. Explain 'Aqīdah and its defenses between Mu'tazila and Ash'ariya. (23 Marks, 40 Marks).
- 2. Write on the argument between the Sunnis and Shi'ah in relation to *Taqlid*. (23 Marks, 40 Minutes).
- 3. Discuss the following most controversial factors between Shi'a, Mu'tazila and Ash'aris: (23 Marks, 40 Minutes).
 - a. Divine Pardon b. *Ihbat* and *Takfir* c. Repentance
- **4.** Assess any seven (7) major views of Mu'tazilah and Ash'ariyah in relation to Predestination. (23 Marks)