

**American University of Beirut**  
**PSPA Department**  
**Beirut, Lebanon**

**Final Exam**  
**PSPA 101**  
**Fall Semester 2008**  
**30 January 2008**  
**Dr. Ohannes Geukjian**

**Choose Two Questions**

1-The state has been a major actor in international relations. In this context, explain why states and statehood have been on the agenda of global politics? Why statehood becomes a problem in world politics? Is state creation justified, and what about international intervention in the internal affairs of states?

2-What are the pros and cons of regionalism? Is regionalism good or bad? How do you justify it? Provide a comprehensive view by referring to a number of regional organizations and the relationship between intra-regional relations and the broader world arena.

3-Why arms and arms control is a significant issue in world politics? Explain by referring to the policies of major arms producing countries. Also, refer to WMD and conventional weapons and explain how they threaten international peace and security and what could be done to prevent states from developing nuclear weapons?

4-Explain peacekeeping and conflict prevention and assess why they are important. What are the problems that peacekeeping faces in this world? Does unipolarity pose a challenge to peacekeeping? If yes, how?

5-When and how ethnicity and nationalism become problematic? Explain by referring to ethno-nationalist conflict, self-determination, unipolarity and globalization. Give examples to illustrate more.

Good Luck