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Part One. Reading and Comprehension:

(7.5points)

Natural disasters have always elicited solidarity. Firstly, people help each other to cope with emergency needs. Then religion makes it a moral imperative. Religious orders have often organized aid for the victims before states and private organizations such as the Red Cross or NGOs intervene.

Over the last twenty years, with the rising power of non-governmental organizations (NGOs), international solidarity has been completely transformed and organized. A worldwide system to coordinate emergency aid and support has been established under the aegis of the United Nations. In this system, the NGOs do not stop at merely providing aid. They claim the right to denounce the factors responsible for the disasters. Although the disasters are natural, their consequences are not. The extent of the damage and the number of victims are frequently due to the shortcomings of the public authorities.

- **François Rubio**

1/ Give a title to this text:

(0.5pt)

- a- Man-made disasters b. International Solidarity c. United Nations

2/ Say whether the following statements are True or False.

(2pts)

- a) People support each other during emergency needs . →.....
 b) The rising of power NOGs lead to an organized solidarity. →.....
 c) Red Cross does not intervene to help the victims. →.....
 d) The United Nations established the international system of aid and support . →.....

3/ What do the underlined words in the text refer to?

(1pt)

- It (§1) →..... -They (§2)→.....

4/Answer the following questions according to the text

(04pts)

- a) Why do people help one another during disasters?

- b) Who directs and coordinates the aid?

- c) Do religious orders organize for victims?

- d) According to the author who is responsible for the harm ,the losses and the victims ?

Part Two. Text Exploration:

(08 points)

1. Find in the text the synonyms of the following words

(02pts)

