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Editorial Statement

Trócaire, the Irish Catholic Agency for World Development, produces the *Development Review* as part of its programme of research and development education. This programme aims to raise awareness in Ireland and elsewhere of the scale, dimensions and causes of world poverty and to promote individual and official action to overcome it.

Trócaire in producing this *Development Review* is responding to the need in Ireland for a publication concentrating on policy analysis and research findings on development issues. *Review* articles are on economic, social and political themes related to poverty in the developing world. A particular focus is the impact on developing countries of aid, trade, financial and other policies adopted by the industrialised countries. Ireland's policies, including in the context of the European Union, are of special interest.

The Editorial Board invites articles that fall within the remit outlined above. Articles, while analytical, should not be overly technical in presentation. In general, individual country case studies should be used only to illustrate a general argument. Research findings on pertinent issues would be particularly welcome. Articles should not exceed 5,000 words. All articles will be refereed. Short Notes and Comments are also welcome.

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Preface

The *Trócaire Development Review* is now in its tenth year and continues, we believe, to play an important role in the publicising and dissemination of development research in Ireland.

1994 will probably be best remembered in development circles as the year of Rwanda. Faced with such an appalling human tragedy – and there are others happening in Angola, the Sudan and elsewhere – the relevance of a journal such as this may be questioned. What, it may be asked, is the use of articles on issues like trade policy, the informal sector and European asylum controls? What contribution do these make to the relief of poverty and disaster?

The answer to these questions lies in Trócaire's mandate, as reaffirmed by this year's Pastoral Letter of the Bishops of Ireland on the occasion of the 21st Anniversary of Trócaire. The Bishops pointed out that "the delivery of financial or emergency assistance to the developing countries is not enough. What is also required is a *political response* from governments aimed at solving the deep structural problems which underlie world poverty".

Such a long-term response to poverty cannot properly take place in the absence of clear, up-to-date and analytical information with which to guide policy. This is the role the *Trócaire Development Review* plays. This issue of the *Review*, for example, should allow policy-makers to make more rational interventions in support of those marginalised in the informal sectors of developing country economies; it should allow for a more informed and enlightened approach to trade policy, and lay some safeguards against the emergence of a new Third World debt crisis; and it should prompt consideration of Ireland's participation in European Union policy towards asylum-seekers.

It has been said that the first duty of the developed world is not to *help* but to *understand*. Certainly, the best help cannot be delivered if it is not preceded by understanding. It is with that objective in mind that this journal is produced. We see it as a key manifestation of Trócaire's commitment to long-term solutions to structural problems, a commitment which complements our work to relieve immediate crises in Rwanda and elsewhere.

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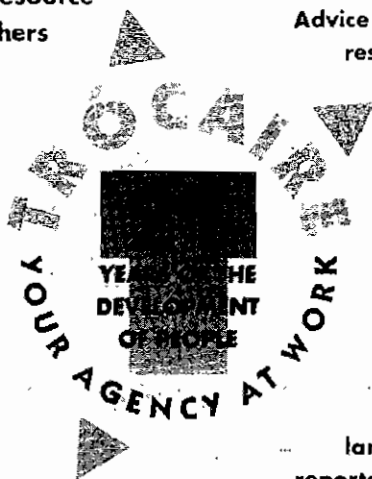
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- Audio-visual materials: videos, slides and tapes (a separate video catalogue is available);
- Third World publications.

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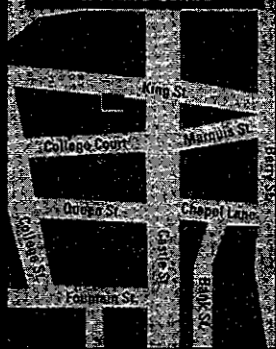
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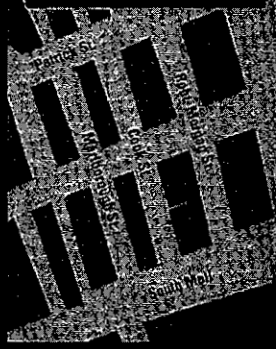
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