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Reference:	ICS203
Title:	Catholic Institute for International Relations
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CONTEXT

Biographical/Administrative History: The Sword of the Spirit organization was founded by lay Catholics in 1940 with the aims of combatting fascism and informing society and the church about international development. It changed its name to the Catholic Institute for International Relations (CIIR) in 1965. It now operates volunteer and educational programmes and seeks to eradicate poverty, injustice and exclusion, and encourage a more equitable distribution of resources. CIIR changed its name to Progressio in 2006.

CONTENT

Scope and Content: Reports, papers, correspondence. Mainly concerning political and development issues in Rhodesia / Zimbabwe but also South Africa, Namibia, Angola, Somaliland. Subjects include Operation Murambatsvina (2005) and forced evictions in Zimbabwe; farmworkers in Zimbabwe; political crisis, human rights, and elections in Zimbabwe; election monitoring, Truth and Reconciliation Committee, political developments in South Africa, c1992-1999; Angola, 1993-2000, including peace process; aid to Namibia, 1990; Somaliland report, 2000.

ACCESS AND USE

Language of Scripts:	English
Conditions of Access:	Open for research although at least 24 hours' notice is required.

- ICS203/1 Zimbabwe - reports** **2001-2003**
 Includes notes on a fact finding tour of Zimbabwe by Steve Kibble, 2001 December; Lenten Pastoral Letter by Zimbabwe Catholic Bishops' Conference, 2003 March; interview with Archbishop Pius Ncube; report on visit to churches, 2003 June-July; speech by Bishop Trevor Manhanga on the situation in Zimbabwe, 2003 July.
- 1 file
 Former reference: CIIR additional 1.
- ICS203/2 Southern Africa - reports** **1998-2001**
 Includes draft analysis of situation in Zimbabwe, 2000 May; project application for farmer workers and land security in southern Africa and reports, 1999-2001. Other subjects include workshop on famers in Namibia.
- 1 file
 Former reference CIIR Additional 2.
- ICS203/3 Zimbabwe - Operation Murambatsvina** **2005-2006**
 Papers on forced evictions. Includes Operation Murambatsvina: implications with regard to Zimbabwe's human rights (report by Human Rights Trust of South Africa, 2005 July); reports by International Crisis Group, Solidarity Peace Trust, US Special envoy on Human Settlements Issues in Zimbabwe.
- 1 file
 Former reference CIIR additional 3.
- ICS203/4 Futures for Southern Africa - symposium papers** **2003-2004**
 Symposium of September 2003 in Namibia. Includes Building a regional society in Southern Africa (Chris Lansdberg); Trade unions in southern Africa (Herbert Jauch); Resources-Conflicts-Destruction Cycle in DR Congo (Jacques Depelchin); liberation movement and urban constituencies in Zimbabwe (Amin Kamete); land reform in southern Africa (Lloyd Sachikonye); NePAD, the G8 and the AU (Henning Melber); liberation movements as governments (Henning Melber); southern Africa in the new millennium (Peter Vale).
- 1 file
 Former reference: CIIR Additional 4.

- ICS203/5 Zimbabwe - reports** **c2001-
c2006**
- Also correspondence including regarding Church mediation in politics (2003). Reports: subjects include press freedom (2004); NGO Bill (2004); general situation especially regarding Non-governmental Organisations (2004, 2006); state development and democratisation; UK, South Africa and relations with Zimbabwe; the cost of Zimbabwe to the South African economy (2003) .
- 1 file
Former reference: CIIR Additional 5.
- ICS203/6 Rhodesia / Zimbabwe** **1975-1980**
- Correspondence. Subjects include refugees, murders of missionaries. Correspondents include Donal Lamont, Bishop of Umtali. Includes report of visit to ZAPU in Lusaka, 1979 June-July.
- 1 file
Former reference CIIR additional 6.
- ICS203/7 Zimbabwe and South Africa - papers** **1995, 1999-
2007**
- Subjects include South African civil society (1999); Zimbabwe - presidential election and local elections (2002), NGO perspectives (2004); South African policy towards Zimbabwe (2005). Also includes report of consultative meeting on restoring order in Murambatsvina, 2005 June.
- 1 file
Former reference CIIR additional 7.
- ICS203/8 Namibia / South Africa** **1990-2003**
- Correspondence, papers re evidence to UK Parliament. Includes letter to Douglas Hurd, Foreign Secretary, re aid to Namibia, 1990; notes, paper regarding evidence about South Africa to Foreign Affairs Committee, 2003-4.
- 1 file
Former reference: CIIR additional 8.
- ICS203/9 Southern Africa** **1992-2004**

Includes briefing paper on Angola and the UN, 1993; The Truth Will Set You Free (statement by the bishops of Malawi, 1992).

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Former reference: CIIR additional 9.

ICS203/10 Southern Africa - papers 1991-1996

Subjects include: South Africa moving towards democracy, 1993; new dispensation in Southern Africa, 1995; election in Mozambique, 1994; local elections in South Africa, 1995; South African foreign policy, 1996; fair trade deal and South Africa, 1996.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 10.

ICS203/11 Zimbabwe - papers 2000-2005

Subjects include elections of 2000, 2002, 2005; report by Solidarity Peace Trust on youth militia training and activities, 2000-2003; farm workers and the crisis in Zimbabwe; South Africa (Mbeki) and Zimbabwe; Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights report on the parliamentary elections, 2005.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 11a.

ICS203/12 Zimbabwe - papers 2001-2008

Subjects include 1996-2002 political developments, 2005 elections, Human Rights Watch report on 2008 elections, reports by Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace in Zimbabwe (and also Human Rights Watch) into parliamentary elections, 2005; vulnerable populations - commercial farms and peri-urban settlements (Save the Children report, 2000); Chihwiw and Gambuli Informal Settlements (Save the Children report, 2001); Who should be sanctioned? (report by director of International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims, 2003); Zimbabwe Human Rights NGO Forum report on political violence, 2003 January; report on WTO agreement and food security, c2001.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 11b.

ICS203/13 Southern African farmworkers project 1999-2001

Papers, correspondence relating to proposed project re Zimbabwe, Namibia and Zambia. Subjects include farm workers' rights and food security. Includes report on situation of farmworkers in Zimbabwe, 2000.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 12.

ICS203/14 Somaliland 1999-2000

Includes notes of meeting on Justice and Human Security Programme, 2000; report on visit to Somaliland, 2000; also includes details of development work in South America, 1999.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 13.

ICS203/15 Conflict and peace programme 1999-2000

Papers, correspondence, reports on programme.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 14.

ICS203/16 Zimbabwe - reports 2001-2007

Correspondence, papers. Includes correspondence from Glenys Kinnock MEP and papers regarding European Union briefings/recommendations on situation in Zimbabwe, 2001; fact-finding report of Africa Commission on Human and Peoples Rights, 2002 July; correspondence with Lord Malloch-Brown, Minister of State, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, 2007; statements by Botswana Civil Society Coalition on Zimbabwe and All Africa Conference of Churches, 2007 March; correspondence regarding European Union/Zimbabwe relationship, 2007; Internal Crisis Group Africa report on post-election Zimbabwe, 2005 June; Zimbabwe Human Rights NGO Forum political violence report, 2006 October.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 15.

ICS203/17 Election monitoring - South Africa, Zimbabwe 1992-2000

Includes draft papers on preparing for free and fair elections in South Africa (1992), potential monitoring in Zimbabwe (2000). Also Ecumenical Monitoring Programme in South Africa summary report from

Natal, Eastern Cape, PWV, and Bophuthatswana,
1992 December-1993 April.

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Old reference: CIIR additional 16.

ICS203/18 Angola 1993-2000

Subjects include peace process. Papers, draft papers and articles, correspondence. Includes briefing paper for Lord Longford on the UN role in Angola, 1993.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 17.

ICS203/19 South Africa - Truth and Reconciliation Committee 1998-1999

Includes papers by Steve Kibble. Subjects include the relevance to other African countries.

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Old reference: CIIR additional 18.

ICS203/20 South Africa / Southern Africa 1992-2004

Papers. Subjects include post-apartheid policy issues (1992-3); Southern Africa Development Community (2004); fair trade and the new South Africa (1996); reconstruction of South Africa, 1993-1996.

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Former reference: CIIR additional 19.

ICS203/21 Rhodesia / Zimbabwe c1980-c2003

Papers, reports, draft article. Includes Farmworkers and the Present Situation in Zimbabwe, 2000 June; draft article on political violence, 2000 September; report on the 1980s disturbances in Matabeleland and the Midlands (1997 March); Some Notes on the Current Situation (1980 February 1); report on the 2000 elections; Shades of Orwell (report on visit to southern Africa, 2003 June-July); Is Zimbabwe on the Brink of Genocide? (anonymous paper, 2003 January).

1 file

Former reference: CIIR additional 20.

- ICS203/22 Southern Africa - study pack for British Christians about South Africa, Namibia and Zimbabwe** **1979**
Includes pamphlets, photographic slides. Jointly produced with Christian Aid and CAFOD. Marked on folder "Charity Commission refused this".
- 1 file
- ICS203/23 Miscellaneous** **c1990-c2000**
Comprises: CIIR financial statement for year ended 31 March 1990; programme of advocacy with churches on democracy and international economic justice; Young Indonesian Women Stand Up (draft talk, 2000 March); poem, CIIR Blues.
- 1 file
- ICS203/24 Photographs of CIIR officials and Zimbabweans** **c1980s-1990s**
Black and white photographs (and negatives) assumed to be of male CIIR officials (and colleagues?) and of a male Zimbabwean addressing a meeting.
- 1 folder
- ICS203/25 Education Department photographic slides** **c1970s - 1980s**
Mostly colour slides. Often arable scenes. Includes series "From Rhodesia to Zimbabwe". Rhodesia/Zimbabwe images include soldiers, children, villages, agriculture.
- 61 slides