

For the rights of the victims



Photographs: SNPS/CINEP/Caritas Internationalis

The Catholic Church in Colombia believes that to produce a lasting solution to the country's internal armed conflict it is vital to guarantee the voice and active participation of the many thousands of victims of paramilitary, guerrilla, state and other violence in Colombia. They must have access to truth, justice, reparation and non-repetition of the abuses committed against them; this is their right, enshrined in international and national law. Only if this is achieved will conditions be created which will make peace and reconciliation possible.



This document from CAFOD, SCIAF and Trócaire examines the situation of the victims of the Colombian conflict, identifies central concerns that need to be addressed, and presents recommendations for action by decision-makers in the United Kingdom, Ireland and the European Union.



For the rights of the victims



The Colombian conflict