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‘Remembering’: Victims, Survivors and Commemoration in Post-Conflict Northern Ireland

The complex issues surrounding the question of victims represent some of the most important unresolved matters in post-conflict Northern Ireland. How society in the region deals with these issues may provide an indication of how successfully Northern Ireland will make the final transformation to a ‘normal’ society.

The mistakes made and the lessons learnt during this process will be of interest to audiences in other regions of conflict. In recognition of the importance of the topic the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) provided funding to the University of Ulster to undertake a two year project looking at the topic of victims, survivors and commemoration. Work on the project began in October 2006 and is scheduled to end by September 2008.

A team of researchers based at the Magee campus of the University of Ulster plan to document the developments that have taken place in this subject area since 1997. The team will make information that is collected during the project available through the existing CAIN (Conflict Archive on the Internet) web site. While most of the work will relate to the conflict within Northern Ireland, the team will also be looking at how these issues have been approached in the Republic of Ireland and Britain.



Currently there is some information on the topics of victims and commemoration at the CAIN web site. However, the research team plan to greatly expand this with an extensive on-line digital archive of source materials and information. Part of the work will involve seeking permission to gather and compile information and material that is held by a large number of organisations and individuals. Where this information is currently only available in paper format the researchers will seek to convert this into a digital format. In addition to existing information the project will also generate new material.

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Further information is also available at the following web page:
<http://cain.ulster.ac.uk/victims/>

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