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A New Vision for Peace in Colombia, March 10, 2010, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

Monsignor Hector Fabio Henao – Director, National Social Pastoral Secretariat, Colombian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Mary DeLorey - Strategic Issues Advisor, Latin America & Caribbean Region, CRS and Rev. Juan Molina, O.S.S.T. – Latin America and Global Trade Policy Advisor, Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB. The web cast panelists will discuss accounts of the Colombian conflict's impact on the internally displaced, refugees and other victims from a leading voice of the Catholic Church in Colombia and an overview of the Colombian Church and CRS' humanitarian response and support for peace initiatives. For more information and to register go

to: http://actioncenter.crs.org/site/Survey?SURVEY_ID=3280&ACTION_REQUIRED=URI_ACTION_USER_REQUESTS

Together with Africa: Trafficking in Small Arms

At the Africa Synod, the bishops decried the trade in small arms, which are fueling so many conflicts in Africa. Maryknoll has developed a helpful tool with links to websites that provide further information on specific issues raised in the Synod

document. See: http://www.maryknollogc.org/regional/africa/Together-with-Africa/illicit_small_arms.html.

Ceasefire Agreement between Sudan government and rebel group

The Community of Sant'Egidio on the signing of the Framework and Ceasefire Agreement that the government of Sudan and the main Darfur rebel group the Justice and Equality Movement (JEM) signed in Doha, Qatar. By 15 March a global agreement is expected to be reached. For more information: <http://www.santegidio.org/index.php?pageID=3&id=3350&idLng=1064&res=1&lnkApp>.

Ugandan Bishops' Conference President Launches Appeal to Help Rebuild North

Archbishop Matthias Ssekamanya of Lugazi, President of the Uganda Bishops' Conference, was in Rome for Ugandan Bishops' ad Limina Apostolorum visit. He stated, "The biggest problem is the fact that we have millions of people who have been living 20 years in refugee camps. We need assistance to rebuild homes and to allow people to resume farming. These people are very poor and in need of everything. I would stress the urgent need to rebuild the schools, because education is the key to any type of development." For the full article go

to: <http://www.fides.org/aree/news/newsdet.php?idnews=26162&lan=eng>

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***Strategies of Peace*, edited by Daniel Philpott and Gerard Powers**

Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies has published a new book, *Strategies of Peace* (Oxford Press). This collection of provocative essays (with chapters by several members of the CPN Steering Committee), explores the many dimensions of strategic peacebuilding: the role of religion, post-conflict peacebuilding, forgiveness and reconciliation, peacebuilding in the face of terrorism, and other issues. The news release and the introductory chapter are available at:

<http://kroc.nd.edu/newsevents/news/book-advances-bold-new-vision-peacebuilding-661>

Senior Technical Advisor (STA) for Partnership & Capacity Strengthening, Catholic Relief Services, Baltimore, MD

Catholic Relief Services is seeking a headquarters-based person for Senior Technical Advisor (STA). The STA works as a member of the Program Quality and Support Department technical team to provide leadership and support achievement of high quality programming in CRS programs worldwide. The STA will provide strategic leadership to CRS' Church Partnership strategy to build the effectiveness of partners and CRS to serve the poor; in the development of standardized approaches and best practices in strengthening the capacity of local partners; and in promoting relationships between CRS staff and Church partners that are based on mutual respect and

accountability. For qualifications and more information go
to: <https://sh.webhire.com/servlet/av/jd?ai=495&ji=2410284&sn=I>.

The Catholic Peacebuilding Network (CPN) is a voluntary network of practitioners, academics, clergy and laity from around the world which seeks to enhance the study and practice of Catholic peacebuilding, especially at the local level. The CPN aims to deepen bonds of solidarity among Catholic peacebuilders, share and analyze “best practices,” expand the peacebuilding capacity of the Church in areas of conflict, and encourage the further development of a theology of a just peace. While it is a Catholic network, the CPN believes that authentic and effective Catholic peacebuilding involves dialogue and collaboration with those of other religious traditions and all those committed to building a more just and peaceful world.

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