

Society for Irish Latin American Studies
Minutes of the General Meeting
Galway, 28 June 2007

President Laura Izarra called the Fifth General Meeting of the Society for Irish Latin American Studies to order at 1:45pm. A quorum was established as existing and it was noted that there were eleven voting Members.

PRESENT

Alvarez, Juan Pablo
Brehony, Margaret
Castello, Ana
Connolly, Nancy
Cortés, María Cristina
Cruset, Eugenia
Healy, Claire
Izarra, Laura
Marcus, Derrick
Marshall, Oliver
Murray, Edmundo
Newman, Sharon
Rodríguez, Enrique
Romera, Andrés
Ryan, Ken
Walsh, Edward

BUSINESS

1. President's Report

The President thanked the Executive Committee members for their support, and remarked the Society's growth.

2. Annual Report of the Executive Committee

Report attached. Edmundo Murray spoke about the SILAS's visibility and how the organisation has improved in the last year. He also welcomed the increase in funding that SILAS has been receiving.

3. Treasurer's and Auditor's Reports

Reports attached. Finance was an issue and problems in getting Members to pay their membership fees is proving difficult, resulting in the organisation not having the funds it should have at its disposal. Edmundo Murray reported that there are some chronic cases of unpaid fees which he is attempting to solve individually. He also stated that we need to convince those in their second and third year of membership to renew it again. Edmundo pointed out that it is up to SILAS Executive Committee to find resolutions to these problem, but suggestions and ideas from all other Members are warmly welcomed.

MOTION: To identify members with fees due and to send them a letter.

MOVED: Andrés Romera, CARRIED

4. Funding

Claire Healy suggested that one Member should be solely responsible for trying to source funding for the organisation, co-ordinating with other people for ideas and suggestions. While a network is needed, one person should have overall responsibility.

MOTION: To appoint a Member responsible for fund-raising.

MOVED: Claire Healy, CARRIED

5. Administration

Edmundo Murray announced that for personal reasons, he will not be able to offer the same level of commitment to the organisation in the future. While his plans will be two years down the road, Edmundo said he was looking for further support from Members in many of the SILAS tasks. Laura Izarra spoke about Edmundo's contribution to the organisation, thanking him profusely and pointing out that finding assistance is now a priority as Edmundo will have to train them. Claire Healy said that she felt Edmundo does the work of three persons and so the work that he does needs to be split up into more jobs for more people. However, she felt that dealing with enquiries from people could be an issue, as Edmundo normally looks after this and she did not know who else could do this. Edmundo agreed to circulate a description of his work done for SILAS so candidates to replace him can be identified.

Andrés Romera suggested that the various tasks should be rotated amongst the members. He also offered his help with administrative work from Waterford, where he lives, as he has both the training and the experience. The proposal was enthusiastically accepted by Members.

MOTIONS: To appoint Andrés Romera as administration-treasury officer and to open a SILAS account in an Irish-based bank. To search delegation for further delegation of Edmundo Murray's responsibilities before 2009.

MOVED: Laura Izarra, Claire Healy, CARRIED

6. Publications

Members discussed the positive performance of the organisation's website and the journal *Irish Migration Studies in Latin America* (IMSLA). Juan Pablo Alvarez offered his help with online publishing of the SILAS website and IMSLA.

Regarding the publishing of IMSLA, Nancy Connolly suggested that she could contact the editors of the *Irish Studies Review* based in Bath, England, to see if they could assist SILAS with publishing. Additionally, Laura Izarra proposed that to get new Members, one or two free topics/articles may be offered on the website, and the rest as needing Member's access. Edmundo Murray pointed out that IMSLA is an open-access journal by its very nature, but selected communications can be inserted with every issue to acquire new Members and to attract donations.

MOTIONS: To appoint Juan Pablo Alvarez as webmaster. To explore the possibility of obtaining editorial and publishing support for SILAS publications.

MOVED: Nancy Connolly, Claire Healy, CARRIED

7. Publicity and Communications

Sharon Newman suggested that a Publicity & Communications Committee (PCC) be established to manage SILAS relations with the media, journalists, Members and the general public. Ongoing press releases will be produced by the PCC, as well as advertising and direct communications with other target segments, particularly SILAS Members and friends, and email lists. Press releases should be issued regularly to familiarise more newspapers and news groups with the organisation. Plans for the PCC also include the production of a standard brochure, which initially will serve to promote SILAS in Westmeath and the Irish midlands, as it will be placed in schools, tourist offices, heritage centres, and other institutions.

Sharon also mentioned that *The Westmeath Examiner* (Mullingar) is celebrating its 125th anniversary in September 2007, an event in which SILAS can be present. The WE had sent newspapers to South America from its inception. Plans are already being discussed to have an article on the connections in the issue. Edmundo Murray suggested obtaining a letter from the editor of *The Southern Cross*, and contributions or extracts from immigrants and their descendants, and pieces that have featured about the newspaper in Argentine papers.

MOTION: To establish the Publicity & Communications Committee (PCC), with Sharon Newman as Chair and Nancy Connolly, Juan Pablo Alvarez, Eugenia Cruset and Derrick Marcus as its members. To produce a SILAS brochure, and to search synergies with *The Westmeath Examiner* and other newspapers.

MOVED: Sharon Newman, CARRIED

8. Adjournment 14.30

MOTION: To adjourn the General Meeting

MOVED: Edmundo Murray, CARRIED

SILAS AGM 28/6/07 1.45 - 2.30 pm

Oliver Marshall

Enrique Rodriguez

Claire Healy

Nancy Connolly

Laura Izama

Ken Ryan

Derrick Marcus

Maria Cristina Corbis

~~Walter PA~~

Andrés Romera

JAN PABLO AWAZER

✓ ANA CASTRO

CRUZET, D. Eugenio

Margaret Brehan

Shao Nisha

Edmundo Murray

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Annual General Meeting 2007
Annual Report of the Executive Committee

1. MEMBERSHIP

This past year has been an important one for SILAS. We are happy to report a continued increase of 28 per cent in membership, with 30 new Members who joined in this period (1 May 2006 thru 30 April 2007). So far, the Society has 108 Members (30 April 2007), including ninety-one Senior Members, eleven Student Members and six Honorary Members.

Chart 1. SILAS Membership 2003-2007 (to 30 April 2007)

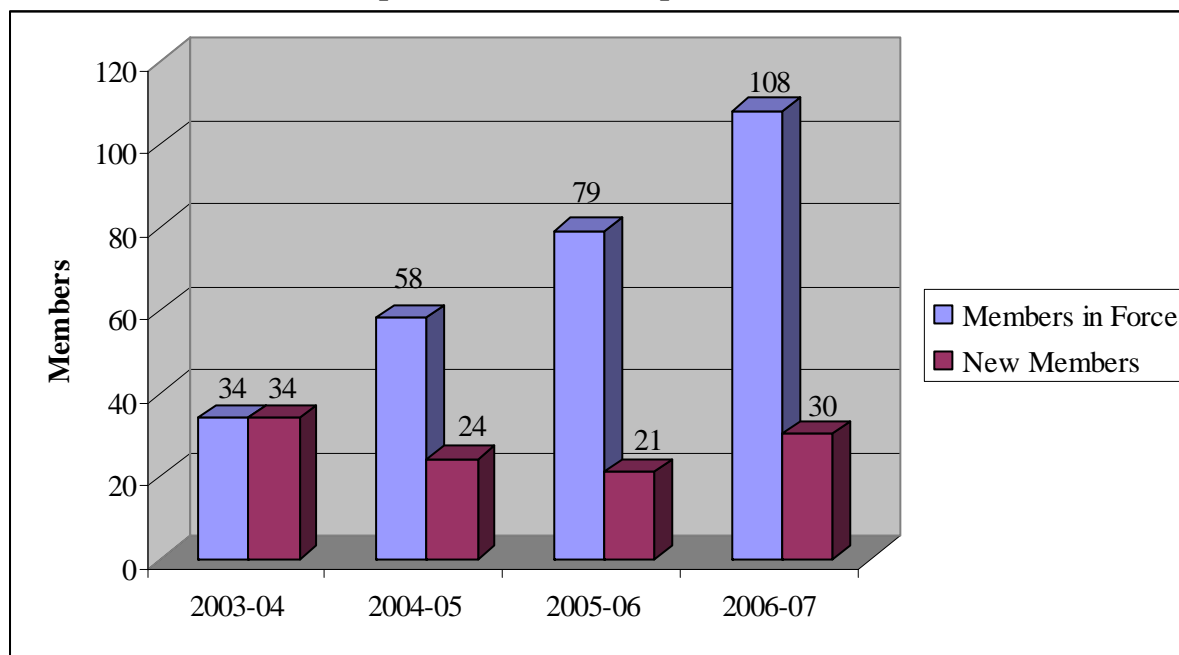
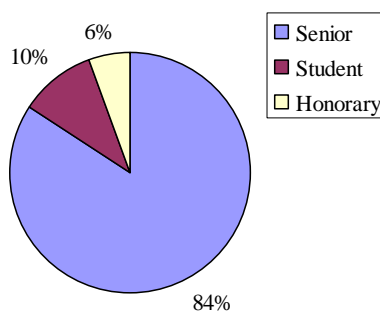


Chart 2. SILAS Membership by Type of Members



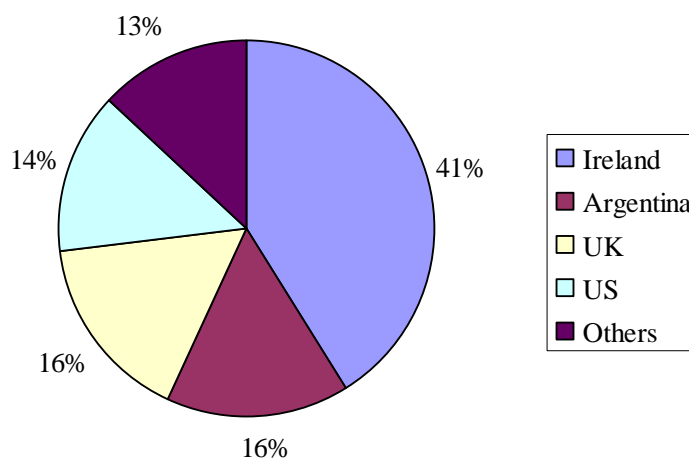
The concentration of Members in a few countries (Ireland, Argentina, UK and US) continues to be significant, though the relative importance of the US and UK have increased compared to 2006.

Table 1. Members by Country of Residence

SILAS Members by Country

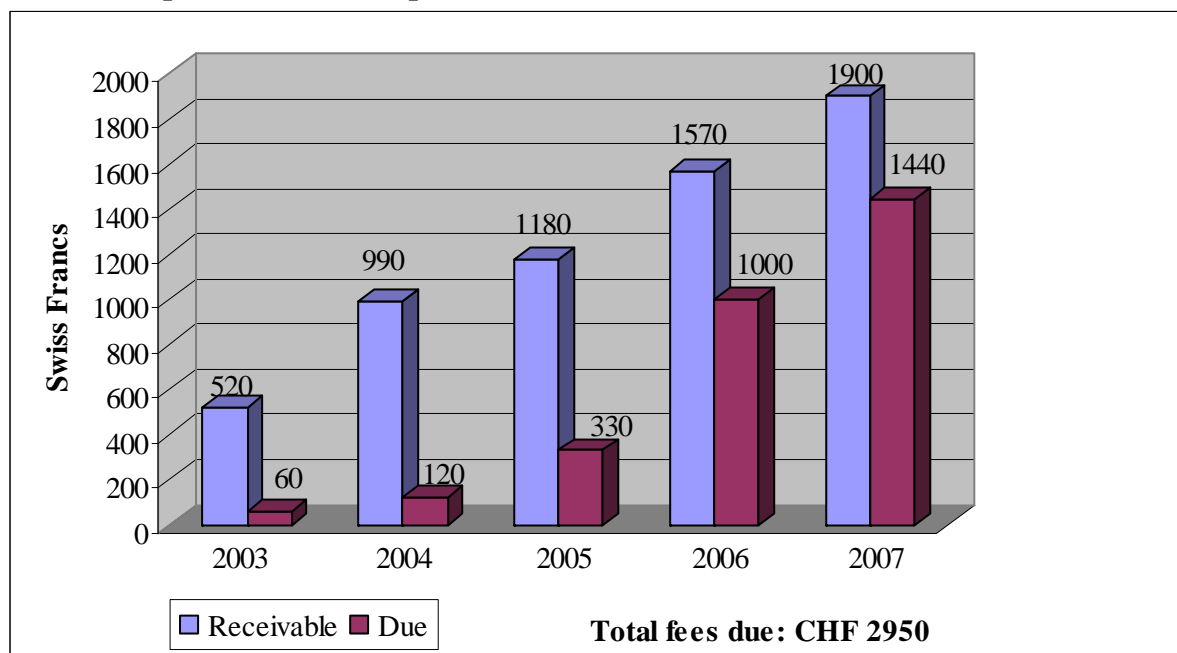
Argentina	17	16%
Australia	1	1%
Brazil	3	3%
Canada	1	1%
Finland	1	1%
France	1	1%
Hungary	1	1%
Ireland	44	41%
Mexico	2	2%
Spain	1	1%
Switzerland	4	4%
UK	17	16%
US	15	14%
Total	108	100%

(to 30 April 2007)



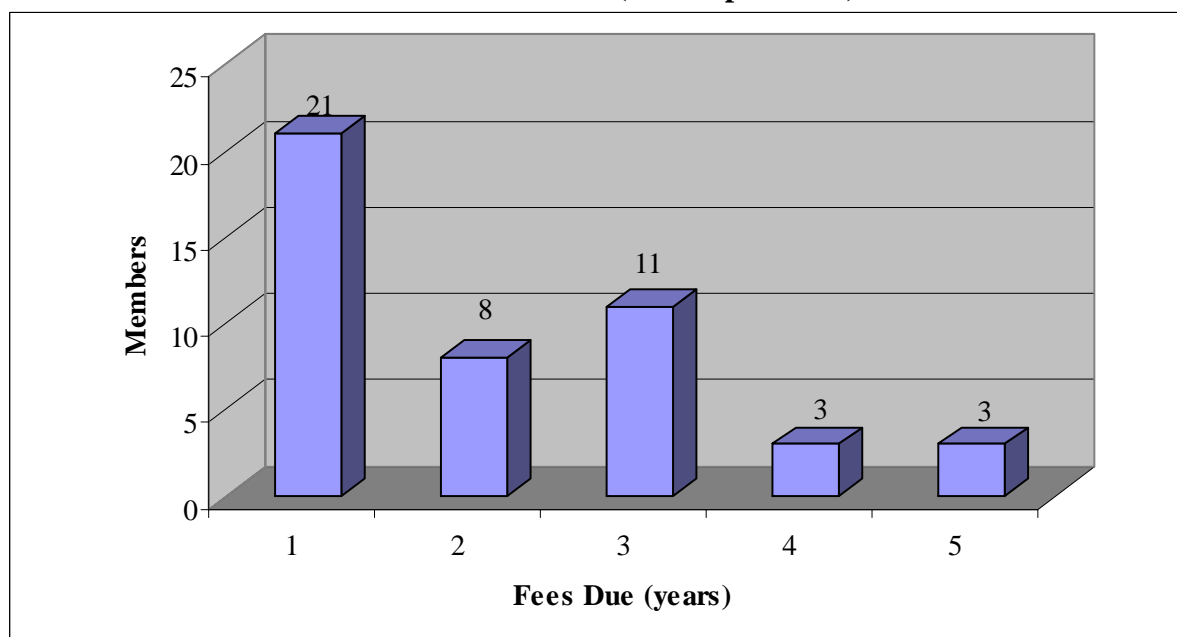
The unpaid fees continue to be a major problem for SILAS revenue. The percentage of unpaid to total fees increased to 76 per cent in 2007 ($\text{CHF } 1440 / \text{CHF } 1900 = 0.76$), from 63 per cent in 2006 and 30 per cent in 2005.

Chart 3. Unpaid Fees (to 30 April 2007)



Total fees due are owed by 46 Members (i.e., 42 per cent of Membership, not including the Honorary Members).

Chart 4. Number of Members with Fees Due (to 30 April 2007)



2. TREASURY

Following the Society's change of name, the account holder of the bank account with UBS in Geneva has been changed from "Irish Argentine Historical Society" to "Society for Irish Latin American Studies". The account is denominated in Swiss Francs.

Cheque cashing expenses continue to impact in SILAS revenue. Most fees and donation payments are settled through personal cheques. A Visa/MasterCard service establishment has been opened in Switzerland, but very few Members use this option.

3. PUBLICATIONS

SILAS's website (www.irlandeses.org) is available since 2003. From January 2005 the website includes a serial publication, *Irish Migration Studies in Latin America* (IMSLA), which is now being published every four months (previously every quarter). This publication is registered under ISSN 1661-6065 and is given volume and issue numbers. Also, as in the case of an increasing number of academic journals, a paginated version is published in the website so readers who need to cite articles are provided the complete reference. With a view to conceptually separating SILAS website and the publication, since April 2007 IMSLA is one of the options in the website's main menu.

SILAS Website (home page, 4 May 2007):



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IMSLA main page (table of contents, Vol 5, N° 1):

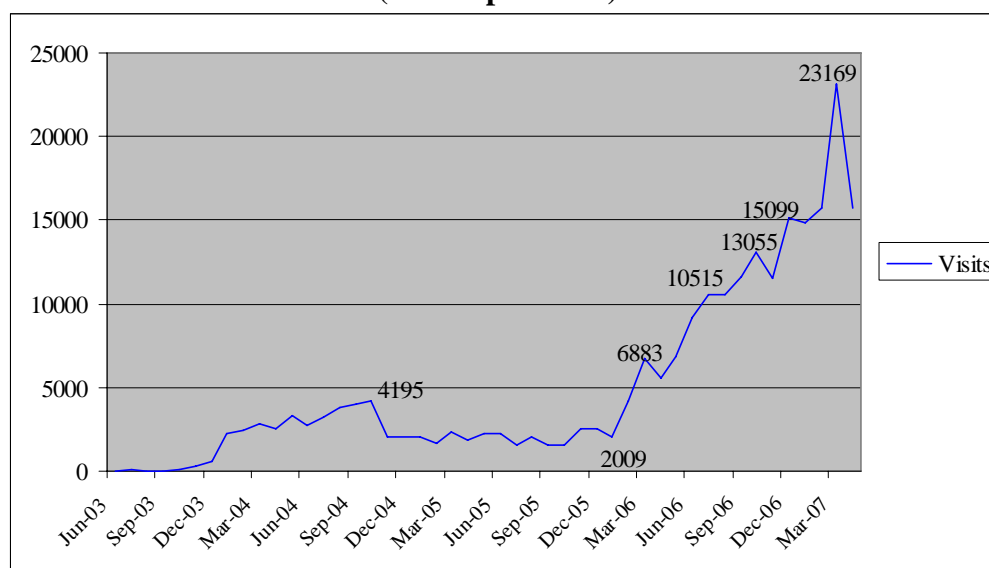
The Homeland	The Journey	Settlement	Faces and Places
<p>ISSN 1661-6065 Archives</p> <p>Volume 5, Number 1 (March 2007) Home > Irish Migration Studies in Latin America</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Print table of contents Print publication (4.5 Mb)</p>			
<p>> Ireland and Mexico, by Séamus Ó Fógartaigh</p> <p>> Irish Mexican, Latino Irlandés: Fountains of Literary Invention, by David Vela</p> <p>> Contemporary Irish Mexican Gatherings and Forays in California: The Irish Mexican Association (IMA), 1994-2007, by Patrick Goggins</p> <p>> Mexico and Neocolonialism: an Irish perspective, by Tony Phillips</p> <p>> Reviving the Saint Patrick's Battalion, by Dan Leahy (including The Saint Patrick's Battalion, a song by David Rovics)</p> <p>> John Dynamite: The Adventures of a Filibuster, by José Antonio Quintana García</p> <p>> St. Patrick's Day in Buenos Aires: An Expression of Urban Folk Tradition, by María Inés Palleiro, Patricio Parente and Flora Dellino Kraft</p> <p>> Interview: The Musical Migration of Rodrigo y Gabriela, by Claire Healy</p> <p>> Poem: Saint Patrick pray, pray for all of us, pray for me, by Iván Portela</p> <p>> Sources: Address by the President of Ireland Mary McAleese to the Senate of Mexico (6 April 1999), edited by Edmundo Murray</p> <p>> Sources: Bernardo O'Higgins' Plans - The Arrival of Irish Immigrants in Mexico, edited by Fabián Gaspar Bustamante Olguín</p> <p>> Reviews: Books and Resources</p> <p>> New in the "Dictionary of Irish Latin American Biography": Lamport, William [Guillén Lombardo] (1610-1659), author of an early declaration of Mexican independence and self-proclaimed 'King of New Spain', by Ryan Dominic Crewe O'Horan, Tomás Antonio (1776-1848), public official in Mexico and Guatemala, by Fabián G. Bustamante Olguín Sandes, Arthur (1793-1832), commander of the Rifles Battalion in the South American wars of independence, by Moises</p>			



Irish President Mary McAleese during her visit to Mexico, 2-7 April 1999 (Presidencia de la República de México)

Both the website and IMSLA continue to be effective communication means and they are major information source about SILAS activity. However, during problematical technical situations the dependence on one medium may be uncertain. For instance, between 15 and 26 April 2007, access to www.irlandeses.org was denied owing to an administrative fault of the domain registrar, though access through other SILAS domains was available (see below).

Chart 5. Website Visits 2003-2007 (to 30 April 2007)



Monthly visits increased from a few dozens in the first publications of 2003 to 15,716 in April 2007. In November 2004 a new page design was implemented, which caused a loss of visits from certain Internet browsers (eg., Netscape). A technical solution was developed for this problem in late 2005. On 6 May 2006, the hosting service provider was changed from Lycos Europe (Paris) to Infomaniak in Geneva. From 15 to 26 April 2007, access to the main domain name (www.irlandeses.net) was not available due to an administrative error of the domain registrar, Lycos Europe, who cancelled the domain name with the Public Interest Registry (the international organisation that manages the .ORG top-level domain name and maintains the database of all .ORG Internet addresses).

Daily visits reached a record of 1,015 on 21 March 2007, this being related to the special edition on Ireland and Mexico (Vol. 5, N° 1 - March 2007).

Another key indicator is the number of downloaded pdf files (comparable to readership in a printed publication). In the twelve-months period from May 2006 to April 2007, there were 28,916 pdf files downloaded from the website, including 28,432 IMSLA issues (complete issues, not articles). The most successful IMSLA issue to date was the special one dedicated to Ireland and Brazil (July 2006, Vol. 4, N° 3), which was downloaded 10,319 times since its launching.

Table 2. Downloaded IMSLA issues (pdf files)

0601 (4:1)	0603 (4:2)	0607 (4:3)	0610 (4:4)	0703 (5:1)
160	537			
558	624			
159	615	369		
671	580	593		
278	588	664		
351	1561	2506	482	
325	1110	1586	851	
246	586	1080	1063	
215	736	963	688	
0	497	680	749	
0	685	1367	919	885
0	497	511	543	354
2963	8616	10319	5295	1239

We are thankful to the growing number of contributors and to Members and friends who submit primary sources for publication and who provide constant feedback. Once again, Claire Healy, Associate Editor, and Ignacio Adrogué, IT specialist, have been vital members of the publishing and technical teams.

4. GRANTS PROGRAMME

The Grants Programme of the Society for Irish Latin American Studies (SILAS) was introduced in March 2004 to support innovative and significant research in the different aspects of migrations between Ireland and Latin America. The grants programme name is **Irish Latin American Research Fund**.

Grants up to 1,000 Euros are awarded to exceptionally promising students, faculty members or independent scholars to help support their research and writing leading to the publication or other types of communication of their projects. Awards are selected on the basis of a well-developed research plan that promises to make a significant contribution to a particular area of study about the Irish and Latin America. Typically, grants funds are used to pay for travel expenses to distant archives.

Every year three prestigious scholars seat on the selection committee to assess the research proposals and award grants to the best projects. The Irish Latin American Research Fund is open to faculty, advanced university students, and independent scholars throughout the world. Funding for the grants programme is obtained from individuals and private sources, namely from SILAS members and friends.

Table 3. ILARF grant statistics

(€)	Budget	Donations	Applications	Selected Grants	Grant Recipients	Euros Awarded
2004	4,500.00	1,091.57	17	11	5	1,900.00
2005	3,000.00	1,050.95	9	5	3	2,600.00
2006	3,000.00	2,053.58	16	4	4	2,700.00
2007	3,000.00	800.00	5 ⁽¹⁾	--- ⁽²⁾	--- ⁽²⁾	--- ⁽²⁾

(1) Received to 4 May 2007

(2) This year's awarded grants will be announced on 28 June 2007

Table 4. ILARF grant participant countries

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Argentina	9	1	7	
Ireland	5	1	3	
Canada	1	1	1	
Cuba				1
Mexico				1
US	1	3	3	1
UK	1	1	1	1
Brazil		2		
Spain			1	1

Grant recipients to date include:

Andrés Bisso and Paula Migo (Universidad de La Plata, Buenos Aires), 2006 (Euro 1,000). *Los procesos de construcción de la identidad en las asociaciones irlandesas de la Provincia de Buenos Aires durante el siglo XX.*

Igor Pérez Tostado (Universidad Pablo de Olavide, Seville), 2006 (Euro 1,000). *The Irish Experience in the Spanish Caribbean Frontier: migration, identity formation and political participation in the island of Hispaniola (c.1640-1660).*

Fiona Clark (Queen's University Belfast), 2006 (Euro 700). *Daniel O'Sullivan: an Irish military physician in the Spanish colonial world (late eighteenth century).*

Jorge Chinea (Wayne State University, USA). 1,000 Euros. "Jaime O'Daly: Enlightened Planter-Administrator in Late Bourbon Puerto Rico, 1776-1826" (2005).

Karen Racine (University of Guelph, Canada). 800 Euros. "Recruitment in Ireland for the Spanish American Independence Armies, 1814-1824" (2005).

Ryan Crewe (Yale University, USA). 800 Euros. "An Irish 'Emperor of Mexico': The Exile and Rebellion of William Lamport, Don Guillén Lombardo, 1611-1659" (2005).

Claire Healy (National University of Ireland, Galway), 600 Euros, "Irish Migration to Argentina: Interaction between African, Indigenous and Irish People in Buenos Aires, 1776-1892" (2004).

Jorge Cernadas Fonsalías (Universidad de Buenos Aires), 400 Euros, "Relations Between the Irish Nationalist Movement and the Irish settlers in Argentina, 1916-1922" (2004).

Helen Kelly (Trinity College, Dublin), 400 Euros, "An Historical Analysis of the Irish Community in Argentina from 1830s to the Turn of the Century" (2004).

Maria Jose Roger and Lorena Kijora (Universidad Católica Argentina), 300 Euros, "The Irish Argentines during the Violent Years, 1976-1983. The Role of the Irish-Argentine Institutions and Individuals during the Last Military Dictatorship in Argentina" (2004).

Carla Horton (Universidad de Buenos Aires), 200 Euros, "En Defensa de los Valores de la Raza Irlandesa.' El Padre Federico Richards y el Southern Cross ante el Proceso de Reorganización Nacional, 1976-1978" (2004).

Selection Committee members to date include:

2007-2008: Maureen Murphy (Hofstra University), Piaras Mac Éinrí (University College Cork), and Guillermo O'Donnell (University of Notre Dame).

2006-2007: Laura Izarra (University of São Paulo), Kerby Miller (University of Missouri-Columbia), Angus Mitchell (University of Limerick).

2005-2006: Thomas Ihde (City University of New York), Rosa González-Casademont (University of Barcelona, Peadar Kirby (University of).

2004-2005: Kevin Whelan (University of Notre-Dame), Hilda Sabato (University of Buenos Aires), Oliver Marshall (University of Oxford).

Finally, these grants were possible thanks to the generosity of the following SILAS Members and friends:

<p>Jim Geoghegan Hugh Fitzgerald Ryan David Barnwell Peter Mulvany Herman and Maria Ana Beuk Tom Ganly Cathal McGoey Edmundo Murray Emer Singleton Harry Dunleavy Bill Mulligan The MacGeoghegan Family Society</p>

We couldn't have implemented the programme without their help, and we hope to greatly increase this list in the current academic year.

5. MANUSCRIPTS AND RARE BOOKS COLLECTION

The Manuscripts and Rare Books Collection (MRBC) was created in May 2005 to allow Members and others to contribute to the preservation of Irish heritage and aid historical research on relations between Ireland and Latin America.

SILAS has signed a twenty-five years repository contract with the Max von Buch Library of Universidad de San Andrés (Buenos Aires). This library provides optimal security and technical conditions for documents and rare books belonging to SILAS, its Members and friends. The library staff is trained to preserve records using the latest available technology. Furthermore, the Max von Buch Library has been collecting a number of invaluable holdings of the British and Irish communities in Argentina, including among others the most complete collection of the *Standard* newspaper in existence in a public library (1861-1959), the Cecilia Grierson Papers (1859-1934), and the records of 'The Strangers Club' of Buenos Aires (1841-

1981). To this, SILAS added the **Anastasia Joyce Papers (1844-1881)** donated by Mary Anglim, including the letters to Martin Murphy of Co. Wexford. The collection has been received in Buenos Aires, was classified and catalogued by the staff library and is available to researchers.

6. CONFERENCES

Since its inception in 2003, the Society has organised panels about Ireland-Latin America relations in difference conferences. In this way, panels have been arranged in ACIS conference in Liverpool 2004, CAIS conference in Maynooth 2005, and the Irish Latinoamericanists conference in Coleraine 2006.

Since 2006, Executive Committee members Claire Healy and Oliver Marshall have been working on the organisation of the first SILAS conference, which will be held on 27-30 June 2007 at the National University of Ireland (Galway) in conjunction with the Fifth Galway Conference on Colonialism. The call for papers have attracted numerous proposals, and twenty-eight papers will be presented arranged in eight panels. The venue will be the Moore Institute Seminar Room at NUI Galway. As a result of the contacts made by Claire Healy, a special grant of Euro 7,000 has been awarded by the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs (Cultural Division) as a contribution to the conference's promotion, and travel expenses of Latin American experts, as well as the publication of the conference proceedings.

The Second Symposium of Irish Studies is being organized by SILAS with the aim to continue the networking started by the Brazilian Association of Irish Studies (ABEI) at the First Symposium in São Paulo, Brazil, in 2006. The Symposium will be held on 5-7 September 2007 at Manzana de las Luces, Perú 272, Buenos Aires, and has the support of the Embassy of Ireland in Argentina and Culture Ireland. It is being co-organized with the Brazilian Association of Irish Studies (ABEI), the National University of La Pampa and the National University of San Martín - IDAES (Instituto de Altos Estudios Sociales), the Instituto Histórico de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires, Academia de Historia de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires, Ministerio "Puertas del Bicentenario" and *The Southern Cross*. Its 2007 theme "Ireland and Latin America: Towards New Perspectives" opens an interdisciplinary discussion on various sub-themes of research, such as Irish-Latin American relations, historiographic and critical trends in migration studies, literature, theatre, cinema, representations of Ireland in the Latin American press and of Latin America in the Irish press.

SILAS Executive Committee
Galway, 28 June 2007

Laura Izarra (President), Oliver Marshall (VicePresident), Edmundo Murray (Secretary),
Edward Walsh (Treasurer), Hilda Sabato (Director), Sharon Newman (Director), Bill
Mulligan (Director), Claire Healy (Director), Guillermo MacLoughlin (Director).

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
30 APRIL 2007

Statement of Financial Position
for the 12 months ending 30 April 2007

Swiss Francs

Accumulated Funds

Balance as of 30 April 2005	1,552.26
Excess Income over Expenditure	0.00
	<u>1,552.26</u>

Represented by:

Current Assets

Cash and Bank Accounts	
Cash	0.00
Bank Account (UBS)	1,552.26
	<u>1,552.26</u>

TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,552.26</u>
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Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	0.00
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NET ASSETS	<u>1,552.26</u>
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Statement of Financial Performance
for the 12 months ending 30 April 2007

Swiss Francs

RECEIPTS

Carryover from previous period	2,917.52
Membership Fees	2,093.65
Donations	<u>1,316.04</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u><u>6,327.21</u></u>

PAYMENTS

Grants paid	4,268.45
Bank charges	200.00
Publications	233.00
Postage	<u>73.50</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u><u>4,774.95</u></u>

TOTAL BALANCE	<u><u>1,552.26</u></u>
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2007-2008 Budget in Swiss Francs
(1 euro = 1.66 Swiss Francs)

	2006-07A	2007-08B
From	01-May-06	01-May-07
To	30-Apr-07	30-Apr-08
RECEIPTS		
Carryover previous year	CHF 2,917.52	CHF 1,552.26
Membership Fees	CHF 2,093.65	CHF 2,500.00
Donations	CHF 1,316.04	CHF 1,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	CHF 6,327.21	CHF 5,552.26
PAYMENTS		
Grants & Awards	CHF 4,268.45	CHF 4,000.00
Bank Charges	CHF 200.00	CHF 250.00
Publications	CHF 233.00	CHF 300.00
Postage	CHF 73.50	CHF 100.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS	CHF 4,774.95	CHF 4,650.00
TOTAL BALANCE	CHF 1,552.26	CHF 902.26

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Daily 1 May 2006 through 30 April 2007

Date	Payee/Vendor	Concept	Amount	Comments
01 May 2006		Carryover 2005-06	SFr. 2,917.52	
03 May 2006	Rodriguez, Enrique	2006 fee	SFr. 30.00	Bank transfer
03 May 2006	Barnwell, John	2006 student fee	SFr. 15.00	Cash
08 May 2006	Healy, Claire	2006 fee	SFr. 30.00	Cash
15 May 2006	Swiss Post Office	postage of grant papers	-SFr. 73.50	Cash
29 May 2006	Mulligan, Bill	ILARF donation	SFr. 343.00	Cheque
20 June 2006	Duggan, William P.	2006 fee	SFr. 31.00	Cash
12 July 2006	Murray, Edmundo	ILARF donation	SFr. 75.00	Bank transfer
14 July 2006	Clark, Fiona	ILARF grant payment	-SFr. 1,106.65	Bank transfer
14 July 2006	Igor Pérez Tostado	ILARF grant payment	-SFr. 1,580.90	Bank transfer
14 July 2006	Andrés Bisso, Paula Migo	ILARF grant payment	-SFr. 1,580.90	Bank transfer
21 August 2006	Murray, Edmundo	donation	SFr. 38.00	E 24.00
21 August 2006	Murray, Edmundo	Transfer domain names	-SFr. 38.00	E 24.00
24 August 2006	Wolfgang, Meldon	2006 fee	SFr. 30.93	Cheque USD 25.00
28 August 2006	Beuk, Herman	2007 fee	SFr. 31.65	Bank transfer
29 August 2006	Howat, Jeremy	2007 fee	SFr. 31.62	Cash E 20.00
29 August 2006	Baxter, Luke	2006 fee	SFr. 31.62	Cheque E 20.00
05 September 2006	Mulligan, Bill	2007 fee	SFr. 36.88	Cheque USD 60.00 (with Izarra)
05 September 2006	Izarra, Laura	2007 fee	SFr. 36.88	Cheque USD 60.00 (with Mulligan)
13 September 2006	Wilkinson, Susan	2007-2011 fees	SFr. 158.17	Cheque EUR 100.00
24 September 2006	Murphy, Cliona	2006 fee	SFr. 30.92	Cheque USD 25.00
24 September 2006	Murray, Edmundo	donation	SFr. 200.00	
24 September 2006	Telekurs Multipay	One time fee credit cards	-SFr. 200.00	
11 October 2006	McKeown, Kathleen	2007 fee	SFr. 31.00	Bank transfer
11 October 2006	King, Seamus J.	2007 fee	SFr. 31.00	Cheque EUR 20.00
11 October 2006	O'Shaughnessy, Christina	2007 fee	SFr. 31.00	Cash EUR 20.00
13 October 2006	Barry de Folchi, Mónica	2004-2006 fees	SFr. 93.00	EUR 60 at MacLoughlin's office in B.A.
13 October 2006	Mulvany, Peter	2007 fee	SFr. 31.00	Cheque EUR 20.00
13 October 2006	Williams, Tom	2007 fee	SFr. 31.00	Cheque EUR 20.00
18 October 2006	O Muirí, Ciarán	2007 fee	SFr. 31.80	Cash EUR 20.00
19 October 2006	Barnwell, John	2007 fee	SFr. 16.00	Cash EUR 10.00
23 October 2006	Walsh, Edward	2007 fee	SFr. 35.58	Cash GBP 15.00
03 November 2006	Murphy, Daryl Francis	2007 fee	SFr. 31.81	Cheque AUD 33.00
03 November 2006	Kennedy, John	2007 fee	SFr. 31.76	Credit card payment
03 November 2006	Meek, Bill	2007 fee	SFr. 31.76	Cash EUR 20.00
03 November 2006	Davis, Graham	2007 fee	SFr. 31.76	Cheque GBP 15.00
06 November 2006	Whitty, Maura	2007 fee	SFr. 31.89	Cheque EUR 20.00
06 November 2006	Ryan, Hugh	2007 fee	SFr. 31.89	Cash EUR 20.00
06 November 2006	Ryan, Hugh	donation	SFr. 7.90	Cash EUR 5.00
06 November 2006	Healy, Claire	2007 fee	SFr. 31.89	Cash EUR 20.00
07 November 2006	Crowley, Juan Carlos	2007 fee	SFr. 31.90	Cheque EUR 20.00
13 November 2006	Wolfgang, Meldon	2007 fee	SFr. 31.05	Cheque USD 25.00
13 November 2006	Rodriguez, Enrique	2007 fee	SFr. 31.90	Bank transfer
13 November 2006	Murray, Edmundo	2007 fee	SFr. 30.00	Bank transfer
13 November 2006	Howat, Jeremy	2008 fee	SFr. 31.90	Cash EUR 20.00
14 November 2006	Burton, Gera	2007 fee	SFr. 31.01	Cheque USD 25.00
17 November 2006	Quercetti, Inés	2007 fee	SFr. 31.10	Through MacLoughlin
24 November 2006	Kearney, Sheila	2007 fee	SFr. 31.68	Cash EUR 20.00
30 November 2006	Zubillaga, Carlos	2007 fee	SFr. 30.15	Cheque USD 25.00
30 November 2006	O'Donnell, Guillermo	2007 fee	SFr. 30.15	Cheque USD 25.00
04 December 2006	Harris, Ann	2007 fee	SFr. 31.84	Cheque EUR 20.00
04 December 2006	Brehony, Margaret	2007 fee	SFr. 15.92	Cash EUR 10.00
04 December 2006	Barclay, Adrian	2007 fee	SFr. 35.47	Cheque GBP 15.00
13 December 2006	O'Higgins-Norman, James	2007 fee	SFr. 31.84	Credit card payment EUR 20.00
09 January 2007	Connolly, Nancy	2007 fee	SFr. 35.83	Cheque GBP 15.00
10 January 2007	McElroy, Eugene	2007 fee	SFr. 31.09	Cash USD 25.00
12 January 2007	Barry, Michael A.	2007 fee	SFr. 32.26	Cash EUR 20.00
12 January 2007	Phillips, Tony	2007 fee	SFr. 16.20	Cheque USD 13.00
16 January 2007	Murray, Edmundo	Donation	SFr. 195.00	
16 January 2007	Infomaniak Host Server	Hosting service	-SFr. 195.00	
29 January 2007	Connatty, Mary P.	2007 fee	SFr. 36.86	Cheque GBP 15.00
29 January 2007	Connaughton, Michael	2007 fee	SFr. 36.86	Cheque GBP 15.00
30 January 2007	Sabato, Hilda	2007 fee	SFr. 32.30	Guillermo MacLoughlin
06 February 2007	Mulvey, Seamus	2007 fee	SFr. 32.34	Cheque EUR 20.00
15 February 2007	Leahy, Dan	2007 fee	SFr. 30.95	Cheque USD 25.00
09 March 2007	Araujo Neto, Miguel A.	2007 fee	SFr. 32.14	Bank transfer
09 March 2007	Brown, Arthur	2007 fee	SFr. 32.14	Cash EUR 20.00
16 March 2007	Hyland, Kate	2007 fee	SFr. 32.20	Cheque EUR 20.00
20 March 2007	Ryan, Ken	2007 fee	SFr. 32.18	Credit card payment
20 March 2007	Wall, Eamonn	2007 fee	SFr. 30.24	Cash USD 25.00
28 March 2007	Murphy, Maureen	2007 fee	SFr. 30.38	Cheque USD 25.00
28 March 2007	Byron, Kristine	2007 fee	SFr. 30.38	Cheque USD 25.00
30 March 2007	Breen, Rebecca	2007 student fee	SFr. 16.21	Cash EUR 10.00
10 April 2007	Deady, Eilish	2007 fee	SFr. 32.71	Cash EUR 20.00
18 April 2007	Foley, Tadhg	2007 fee	SFr. 32.83	Cheque EUR 20.00
19 April 2007	Murray, Edmundo	Donation	SFr. 375.82	Cash EUR 230.00
24 April 2007	Amador Moreno, Carolina	2007 fee	SFr. 32.83	Credit card payment EUR 20.00
29 April 2007	Murray, Edmundo	donation	SFr. 81.32	Cash EUR 50.00
			SFr. 1,552.26	

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Membership Fees Registry (EUR)

#	Last, First	Date	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
1	MacLoughlin, Guillermo	01/07/03	20.00				
2	Murray, Edmundo	01/07/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
4	O'Hara, J. J.	02/07/03	20.00				
3	Marshall, Oliver	28/07/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
5	Izarra, Laura	29/07/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
6	Howat, Jeremy	04/08/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
7	McGoey, Cathal	07/08/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	
8	Barnwell, David	11/08/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
12	Sabato, Hilda	12/08/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
10	Newman, Sharon	13/08/03	20.00	20.00	20.00		
11	Alvarez, Juan Pablo	15/08/03					
12	Birkbeck, Josephine	22/08/03	20.00	20.00			
13	Kelly, Helen (S)	30/08/03	10.00	10.00			
14	O'Shaughnessy, Christina	09/09/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
15	McKenna, Patrick	10/09/03	20.00	20.00	20.00		
16	Cané, Gonzalo	12/09/03					
17	Ganly, Thomas	21/09/03	20.00	20.00	20.00		
18	Healy, Claire (S)	05/11/03	10.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00
19	Graham-Yooll, Andrew	05/11/03					
20	Singleton, Emer	13/11/03	20.00	20.00	20.00		
21	Kennedy, John	29/11/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
22	Mulvany, Peter	01/12/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
23	Kearney, Sheila	04/12/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
24	Sheridan, Vivian	08/12/03	20.00				
27	Barry de Folchi, Mónica	11/12/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	
26	Boland, Santiago	11/12/03	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	
25	Bulfin, Michael	16/12/03	20.00	20.00	20.00		
28	Batezzatti, Carla (S)	01/02/04		10.00			
29	Davis, Graham	24/03/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
30	Daly, Patrick	07/04/04		20.00	20.00		
31	Castello, Ana (S)	07/04/04		10.00	10.00	10.00	
32	Beuk, Herman	15/04/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
33	Nally, Patrick	17/04/04		20.00	20.00		
34	Meek, Bill	26/04/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
35	Marquiegui, Dedier Norberto	05/05/04		20.00			
36	Slattery, Paula	05/05/04		20.00			
37	McElroy, Eugene	11/05/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00

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38	Russell, Gerard	11/05/04		20.00			
39	Williams, Tom	11/05/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
40	Connolly, Nancy (S) (Senior 2007)	15/05/04		10.00	10.00	10.00	20.00
41	O'Connor, Gerard	21/05/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	
42	Burton, Gera	01/06/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
43	Whelan, Augusto	02/06/04		20.00			
44	Coghlan, Alan	05/05/04		20.00			
45	Mulvey, Seamus	26/06/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
46	Ó Carroll, Eugene	14/07/04		20.00	20.00		
47	MacDonagh, Patricio	11/08/04		20.00			
48	Gibbs, Eileen (S)	03/09/04		10.00			
49	Cleary, Marguerite	13/09/04		20.00			
50	Riseley, Anthony (S)	02/10/04		10.00	10.00	10.00	
51	Walsh, Edward	19/10/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
52	Fitzpatrick, Patrick	16/11/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	
53	Wilkinson, Susan	22/11/04		20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
54	Thompson, Kenneth (H)	01/01/05					
55	Lambe, Derek	01/01/05					20.00
56	Cox, David (S)	10/01/05			10.00		
57	Crowley, Juan Carlos	13/04/05			20.00	20.00	20.00
58	Mulligan, William H.	18/04/05			20.00	20.00	20.00
59	Anglim, Mary (H)	30/04/05					
60	Zubillaga, Carlos A.	11/06/05			20.00	20.00	20.00
61	Murphy, Daryl F.	16/06/05			20.00	20.00	20.00
62	Ryan, Hugh F.	24/06/05			20.00	20.00	20.00
63	Kelly, Joe	24/06/05			20.00	20.00	
64	Illingworth, Ruth	24/06/05			20.00	20.00	
65	Jennings, Catherine	27/08/05			20.00	20.00	
66	Agnew, Art (H)	29/08/05					
67	O'Muirí, Ciarán	21/09/05			20.00	20.00	20.00
68	Slevin, Charles Vincent	21/11/05				20.00	
69	Harris, Mary	05/01/06				20.00	20.00
70	Barry, Michael A.	05/01/06				20.00	20.00
71	Whitty, Maura	19/01/06				20.00	20.00
72	King, Seamus J.	30/01/06				20.00	20.00
73	MacGrory, Pádraig	09/02/06				20.00	
74	Brehony, Margaret (S)	24/02/06				10.00	10.00
75	McKeown, Kathleen	03/03/06				20.00	20.00
76	Horan, John	17/03/06				20.00	
77	Hand, Paul	17/03/06				20.00	

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78	Foley, Tadhg	28/04/06				20.00	20.00
79	Murray, Patricio	28/04/06				20.00	
80	O'Donnell, Guillermo	28/04/06				20.00	20.00
81	Rodriguez, Enrique	03/05/06				20.00	20.00
82	Barnwell, John (S)	03/05/06				10.00	10.00
83	Barry, Carolina	20/06/06				20.00	
84	Duggan, William P.	20/06/06				20.00	
85	Greene, Martin (H)	04/08/06					
86	Wolfgang, Meldon	24/08/06				20.00	20.00
87	Baxter, Luke	29/08/06				20.00	
88	Phillips, Tony	30/08/06				20.00	20.00
89	Murphy, Clíona	24/09/06				20.00	20.00
90	Brangan, Dermot (H)	10/07/06					
91	Hoey, Michael (H)	17/11/06					
92	Quercetti, Inés	17/11/06					20.00
93	Barclay, Adrian	04/12/06					20.00
94	O'Higgins-Norman, James	12/12/06					20.00
95	Connatty, Mary P.	29/01/07					20.00
96	Connaughton, Michael	29/01/07					20.00
97	Leahy, Dan	15/02/07					20.00
98	Araujo Neto, Miguel A. de	08/03/07					20.00
99	Brown, Arthur	08/03/07					20.00
100	Hyland, Kate	16/03/07					20.00
101	Ryan, Ken	20/03/07					20.00
102	Wall, Eamonn	20/03/07					20.00
103	Murphy, Maureen	28/03/07					20.00
104	Byron, Kristine	28/03/07					20.00
105	Breen, Rebecca (S)	30/03/07					10.00
106	Deady, Eilish	10/04/07					20.00
107	Amador Moreno, Carolina	24/04/07					20.00
108	Bassett, Eoin	25/04/07					20.00
109	Fogarty, James	02/05/07					20.00

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To whom it May Concern: Auditor's Certification

I as Auditor have reviewed the accounts of the Society for Irish Latin American Studies (SILAS) for the financial year 1 May 2006 to 30 April 2007.

I confirm that I believe that they are a true and correct record of the financial operations of the Society in the last year. I have one issue with regard to the comments section in the accounts. This is in respect of two transactions dated 05 September 2006. Both transactions note receipt of a cheque for US\$60. However, the corresponding amounts converted into the SFr do not reconcile, even taking into account exchange rate variances. I have treated this as an error and assumed that only one cheque was received, in which case the corresponding sums would reconcile. I recommend a note should be attached to the accounts to clarify this.

I have not been made aware that the Society is in possession of any tangible assets or has incurred any liabilities in the financial year 2006/07 and therefore no 'Balance Sheet' had been presented.

I would recommend that in future years a 'Statement of Income and Expenditure' should be presented to members in advance of the AGM. I attach a template for this.

Yours sincerely,



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Statement of Income and Expenditure For year ending 30 April 20??

2005/06		2006/07
SFr	INCOME	SFr
	Membership	
	Donations	
	Bank Interest	
	Total	
	EXPENDITURE	
	Bank Fees	
	Grant Payments	
	Postage	
	Total	
	SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	