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The **Permanent People's Tribunal** (successor to the Bertrand Russell Tribunal) will be conducting a People's Tribunal on the war in Sri Lanka and its aftermath in Dublin in January 2010. The People's Tribunal will investigate the allegations that the Government of Sri Lanka and its armed forces committed *war crimes* and *crimes against humanity* during and after the final phase of its war with the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam. The Tribunal will also examine the local and international factors that led to the collapse of the 2002 Ceasefire Agreement.

Date: 14, 15 and 16 January, 2010

Venue: Trinity College Dublin

Organised by: The Irish Forum for Peace in Sri Lanka

Co-hosted by: The Irish School of Ecumenics, Trinity College Dublin and the School of Law and Government, Dublin City University, Dublin, Ireland

Public Meeting: Announcement of the interim report to the evidence presented at the Tribunal
16 January 2.00 p.m. at J. M. Synge Theatre, Trinity College Dublin

Members of the Panel of Judges of the People's Tribunal on Sri Lanka:

1. François Houtart

(We have tried to list the panel according to age following the Asian custom for showing respect)

2. Rajinder Sachar
3. Nawal al Saadawi
4. Sulak Sivaraksa
5. Denis Halliday
6. Gianni Tognoni
7. Daniel Feierstein
8. Mary Lawlor
9. Oystein Tveter
10. Eren Keskin
11. Francesco Martone

Among those who cannot be on the Panel - for various reasons - but have agreed to publicise and interpret the findings of the Tribunal are:

1. Krishna Iyer
2. Miguel d'Escoto Brockmann
3. Adolfo Pérez Esquivel
4. Irene Fernandez
5. Arundhati Roy

The Panel has been chosen from across the global south and north in order to transcend geopolitical barriers and to ensure that its findings are both credible and ethically binding.

Ireland has been chosen because of its historical status as a post-colonial nation, the success of the Northern Ireland peace process, and its traditional policy of neutrality.



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We would appreciate if you would support the People's Tribunal on Sri Lanka in the following ways:

- 1. By giving your consent to add your or your institutions' name to the list of supporters.**
- 2. By helping to interpret, publicise and disseminate the findings of the Tribunal.**
- 3. We invite you to participate in the public event during which the jury will announce an interim response to the evidence presented at the Tribunal on Saturday January 16th at 2.00pm in the J. M. Synge Theatre in Trinity College, Dublin. The session will include a discussion on the future course(s) of action that will need to be taken based on the findings of the Tribunal.**

(For further details please see the document 'Why a People's Tribunal on Sri Lanka?')

We look forward to hearing from you.

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