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Context

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Council on Christian Approaches to Defence and Disarmament

Administrative / Biographical history:
The Council on Christian Approaches to Defence and Disarmament was founded in the early 1960s as a response to the Cold War; it arose from the Institute of Strategic Studies, founded in 1957, and was intended to be a separate but parallel body for discussion of the ethical problems of nuclear deterrence. Originally called the 'Conference on Christian Approaches to Defence and Disarmament', early members included Sir Anthony Buzzard, Sir Kenneth Grubb, Alan Booth, Sydney Bailey and the Bishop of Chichester, George Bell. To enforce the connection between the organisations Alastair Buchan, Director of the Institute of Strategic Studies, became the first CCADD Vice-President. The first CCADD conference was held at Lambeth Palace and Fulham Palace, London, in 1963. On 20 September 1965 it became incorporated as a company limited by guarantee, and shortly afterwards changed its name to the 'Council on Christian Approaches to Defence and Disarmament'. During the 1960s CCADD became the advisory body on defence and disarmament to the British Council of Churches, and began to publish research and hold regular discussion meetings, as well as an annual international conference. Following the end of the Cold War in 1989, the CCADD has expanded its topics of concern to include humanitarian intervention, peacekeeping, the role of the UN, the arms trade, biological and chemical weapons, torture and terrorism. CCADD publishes a number of conference papers, reports, discussion papers and studies. Studies published since 1992 include: Retaliation: A Political and Strategic Option under Moral and Religious Scrutiny (Methodist Publishing House, 1992); Profit Without Honour? Ethics and the Arms Trade (Methodist Publishing House, 1992); Some Corner of a Foreign Field: Intervention and World Order (Macmillan, 1998); The Crescent and the Cross: Muslim and Christian Approaches to War and Peace (Macmillan, 1998); Demanding Peace: Christian Responses to War and Violence (SCM Press, 1999); Witnesses to Faith?: The Concept of Martyrdom in Christianity and Islam (Ashgate, 2005); Britain's Bomb: What Next? (SCM-Canterbury Press, 2006).

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Content & structure

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Papers relating to the development of CCADD, 1958-1964; minutes of meetings including executive committee meetings, executive sub-committee meetings, annual general meetings, management committee meetings, research group meetings, publications group meetings and regional group meetings, 1965-1994; correspondence

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