Letter from the Editors

This second issue of *Itinerario* of the year 2001 is by accident devoted to the history of European expansion and its aftermath in the New World. It is the policy of the editors to avoid 'special issues' since those issues only interest a part of our readership. Nevertheless, this issue concentrates on the recent history of the Caribbean with articles on the French, Dutch and British Caribbean. Fortunately, for those not interested in contemporary history we publish also two articles on topics from a more distant time.

The Editors