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"In omni gente primatum habui: Et omnium excellentium et humilium corda virtute calcavi."

The IHS Press Group is a registered trade name of IHS Press, a Virginia non-stock corporation certified as a 501(c)3 publicly supported charity under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. IHS Press was originally conceived and has functioned for the last ten years as a publisher of mostly reprint editions of historical works relating to the traditional Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church. Today, IHS Press is transforming itself into a larger initiative – the IHS Press Group – which has been created as a consortium to expand, develop, coordinate, and unite the following components:

- IHS Press and its imprints constitute the only publisher dedicated to the Aristotelian-Thomistic social doctrine of the Catholic Church. With its imprints, IHS Press advocates a "third way" of philosophical, political, and economic "realism" as *the* alternative to theories from the "left" and "right" of today's politico-ideological spectrum.

IHS Press reissues works of Catholic social thought (CST) with new introductions and annotations. Gates of Vienna Books republishes books on early-modern through contemporary history. And Light in the Darkness Publications offers new manuscripts in the CST tradition.

IHS is also currently developing two new imprints. The Schoolmen's Bookshelf will reprint older works of CST scholarship appropriate for use in university courses. And Forgotten Voices Editions intends to make available, without scholarly apparatus, more obscure older works in politics and economics to provide context and background for titles published under IHS's other imprints.

Over the last decade, IHS Press has developed forty-four titles of which it has sold or otherwise distributed tens of thousands of copies to concerned Catholics, journalists, academics, and independent scholars worldwide.

But this was just a start.

Planned future imprints include acquisitions of a new line of re-typeset Catholic historical and doctrinal books from France, possible translations of French and Italian works carried by leading traditional houses, a traditional education imprint catering to primary and secondary education markets with works from the medieval trivium and quadrivium, and a select line of spiritual and children's titles.

Immediately forthcoming releases include the first-ever translation from the Latin of the second volume of Cardinal Billot's *De Ecclesia: Against Liberalism and Related Errors Regarding Church-State Relations*; the first-ever printing of Harold Robbins's biographical sketch of G.K. Chesterton; the first edition in nearly 75 years of Arthur J. Penty's seminal *Guildsman's Interpretation of History*; Michael Derrick's biography of Antonio Salazar of Portugal; an uncompromising, critical edition of Jacques Maritain's *Three Reformers*; and a historical sketch of social Catholicism by Henry Somerville of the Catholic Social Guild entitled *Studies in the Catholic Social Movement*.

- The Catholic Land Movement (CLM) will be an agrarian and rural craft-producer advocacy organization modeled on the interwar Land Associations of England, Wales, Australia, and the United States. Currently registered as a trade name of IHS Press in Arlington, Virginia, the CLM will: engage in promotion of the idea of family homestead and extended family villages; connect

¹ Ecclesiasticus XIV:10–11. "[I]n every nation I have had the chief rule: And by my power I have trodden under my feet the hearts of all the high and low."

rural experts with interested novices via a comprehensive database serving “white” and “yellow pages” functions; sponsor the setup of local chapters and larger regional Land Associations, providing informational resources and materials; and represent the best of the Catholic tradition regarding the centrality of a wide distribution of smallholdings throughout society as a secure foundation for its social and spiritual well-being. A periodic newsletter and other membership materials are envisioned as being provided to CLM adherents.

- *Rex: A Journal of Social and Political Catholicism*. Taking its inspiration from the idea of the Social Reign of Christ the King, and those who throughout history promoted it, and intended for online and print availability, at a periodicity to be determined and to be announced, *Rex* will tackle the tough questions that only journalists and thinkers with deep roots in social and political Catholicism can answer. *Rex* will be a forum for charitable yet fierce and uncompromising exploration of the most serious problems facing society and the world, while offering hints towards solutions based upon the treasury of wisdom our fathers in the faith amassed as activists for the inspiration of the state with Catholic moral, political, and economic principles. Formation of an editorial board is in progress. It will emphasize quality over credentials and integrity and initiative over initials, and strive for orthodoxy in faith and legitimate diversity in opinion.
- An Institute for Social Catholic Doctrine and Policy Research. This pillar of the IHS Press Group structure is envisioned as a home for scholars and researchers, as well as for collections of important books and papers that might otherwise be lost to posterity. Featuring local and regional chapters, periodic events such as a Rebuilding Christendom™ conference series, and action and advocacy resources, including a periodic newsletter, similar to those contemplated for the CLM, the Institute will endeavor to provide an outlet for scholarly papers and other materials inappropriate for book or journal publication. In general, its aim will be to answer the question, “As a Catholic, where do I stand?” on as large a number of current socio-economic and political issues as possible, with the intention of exercising a diffused influence on society, from the grass roots to opinion leaders and everything in between, that is matched by its crystal clarity of doctrinal precision and uncompromising candor.
- Across the IHS Press Group further initiatives will endeavor to tie together the corporate efforts of its various components.

An IHS Speakers’ Bureau will make available for events and various fora, on an opt-in basis, those authors, academics, and independent scholars who have contributed to the IHS mission by authoring books, submitting scholarly-apparatus materials for IHS reprint editions, or contributing articles to *Rex* or the Institute or Land Movement advocacy initiatives. This will serve to help contributors reach a wider audience, allow the unique aspects of each corporate endeavor to influence and develop the characters of the others, and build an overall doctrinal consensus among collaborators across the various IHS components.

Similarly, the IHS Press Group Web Presence will serve to link the individual components through coordination of events and resources across all aspects of the various web components. *Events* hosted by the CLM, *Rex* and the Institute, or IHS Press authors – from large, several-day affairs to small, local authors’ speaking engagements and book signings, and everything in between – will be linked to resources online wherever they are found. In this way, for example, an IHS author (or contributor to *Rex*) who maintains a biography or personal page at the IHS web portal will have events he participates in along with his books, articles, papers, and other contributions to any of the IHS Press Group’s initiatives intuitively linked to his own page as well as to other relevant areas of the site. Also, IHS Press *publications* will be intelligently promoted and made available across all segments of the IHS Press Group endeavors, thereby ensuring a solid doctrinal foundation for all the Group’s endeavors as well as a wide availability of resources for each separate initiative.