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Tom O'Neill who left Trinity College, Dublin, to take up the Chair of Italian at the University of Melbourne in 1985 was associated with *Spunti* as a member of the Editorial Board.from the early stages of its existence. More recently, as a member of the Advisory Board he gave us his staunch support. Indeed five of the contributors to the present volume have a connection to the journal via his friendship. Full tribute will be paid to Tom in the next volume, which will contain studies dedicated by friends to his memory.

Giovanni Aquilecchia who died in August was Professor of Italian at Manchester University 1960–1970, and at Bedford College and, subsequently, Royal Holloway and Bedford New College, University of London 1970–1989. The Editorial Board acknowledges the contribution of this renowned scholar with gratitude.

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