

## **BCA'37 UK & BCA'37UK -Euskadi**

### **Joint announcement by our two associations**

We are delighted to announce that our three bids for grants made earlier this year to **Gogora Instituto de la Memoria, la Convivencia y los Derechos Humanos Historica**, have been successful.

You may remember that being able to make such grant applications was a prime motivator in establishing **BCA'37UK - Euskadi**, which was recognised officially by the Basque Government about a year ago.

**The first** of the three grants will cover: the printing of "*Solo Serán Tres Meses*" by Adrian Bell,( a translation of the classic book "Only for Three Months");

**The second** grant covers printing of the bilingual book "*Memorias: Los niños vascos recuerdan y son recordados*" compiled and edited by Natalia Benjamin, a sequel to "*Recuerdos: Basque Children Refugees in Great Britain*".

These two books will be made available to interested parties in both Spain/Euskadi and UK, and also to the wider public. Further details will be publicised on the web once we have the task completed.

**The third** is a research grant that will enable the start of a three year research project into the fates of the *maestras* who returned . This project is led by Dr Peter Anderson of the University of Leeds and Dr Antonio Miguez of the University of Santiago de Compostela, in collaboration with: the University of the Basque Country, the Complutense University of Madrid and BCA'37 UK & BCA'37UK - Euskadi.

We are very grateful to Gogora not only for the grants but for giving us so much help during the whole process of application and look forward to working with them in the future.

These are the first co-operative ventures by our two associations and we are delighted that despite all the obstacles, not least of which was the Coronavirus pandemic, we have been able to take successful first steps together. With all three grants there has been a significant contribution from both sides making these truly collaborative projects that I hope will lay the foundations on which we can build.