## **Letter from the Editors**

In this issue Robert Van Niel is interviewed by Peter Borschberg from Singapore National University, after having published an important book in the series Studies in Overseas History, Java's Northeast Coast. A Study in Colonial Encroachment and Dominance. For further information on this series plus the forthcoming TANAP Monographs published by Brill, we refer to pages 226-229 of this issue.

Furthermore, this issue contains five articles: two on the Atlantic World from B. Van Ruymbeke and L.H. Roper; a contribution from A. Teh Gallop concerning the important collections of Melaka records in London; one from E. Wilson, a contribution to the ongoing debate on Hugo Grotius; an article on Indonesian shipping and trade by the Indonesian historian Singgih Tri Sulistiyono. This last article was presented as a paper at the Fifteenth International Workshop on Southeast Asian Studies (the 'Java Sea Project'), at the KITLV in Leiden in January 2001. Two other papers from different authors were published in *Itinerario* 2006:1.

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