During the nature of 1988, the Canadian Institute for International Peace and Security exembled a good of 1 deel senior officials, and asked them to examine and discuss the impact of the changes within the Soviet Lation on East-West relations. Because of their office angle of views represented within the group, we also extent them to write a regard on the subject in order to share their thoughts and ideas with a within marketer.

Their deliberations constructed during 1989 and early 1995, a pured of vast updienvel in the Sector Upsion and Purops, and consequent changes in the entire state of four treatments. The group concluded their discussions in April, 1990, and submitted a report, "East-West Relations in Transition. Towards a New European Order", in mid-hune. It is a wide-ranging and enlightening presentation of the orajor factors affecting Feat Viest relations, as well as some of the likely effects of the new developments.

The full report, which is some 130 pages in length, is available in the library of the lossingte, and will be made available on recriest. However, because of the wide interest in the subject, and the breadth of experience of the participants in the group; the librarium decided to publish sections of it for a larger sudience. This Working Paper thus committee the introduction, alternative turner scenarios, and conclusions of the longer report in addition, and because of the interest interest in developments within the Soviet Union, we have included as an abuse, the chapter of the report on the Soviet Union.

I would like to pay tribute to the diagoner of the group in completing it formalishing tribute task. They often ned to survey and build open stating ground. The pace of change diming the pace year and a helf that been sometimed all analysis have had in an appear to changed and rapidly evolving sets of alternatures.

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