

the front-line states of Southern Africa deal with the multiple challenges confronting them, as well as to a slow but steady rise in official reaction to public anxieties about the course of United States policies in Central America.

These comments suggest that the concepts of peace and security, treated here as two sides of the same coin, are taking on larger meanings in the public mind, combining political, economic, ecological, and psychological dimensions as well as those of defence in the traditional sense. Nuclear weapons have now for over forty years called into question the "great war" scenario which so dominated the Western experience and imagination up to that point. Yet governments have had little choice but to assume that armed force will continue to be the final arbiter in disputes between nations, including the use of nuclear weapons. This dichotomy between popular perspectives and traditional planning assumptions has affected Canada less than many countries, but the twin issues of northern sovereignty and cruise missile technology seem likely to bring it into major focus in the years ahead.

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