

NEWS FROM THE INSTITUTE



■ In mid-April **Bernard Wood** gave a major address to Le Conseil des Relations Internationales in Montreal on Canadian security policy. Excerpts from the text, entitled *International Turmoil: The Challenges Facing Canadians* can be found in the Director's report on page 19. The following evening, Mr. Wood was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Montreal branch of the CIIA. Later that week, Mr. Wood, and **Sam Lewis**, president of the US Institute for Peace, spoke at a conference at Wayne State University in Detroit.

■ "Climate Change, Global Security and International Governance" was the title of a CIIPS conference in mid-April in Ottawa. Focussing on the security implications of climate change, the conference brought together parliamentarians, officials, academics, and members of non-governmental organizations. A brief summary of some of the conference highlights can be found on page 7.

■ In mid-March the Institute and Summerhill Press launched *Time to Change* by **Boyce Richardson**; an excerpt from the book appeared in the spring issue of *Peace & Security*.

■ **Deirdre Collings** recently joined the Institute staff as a researcher with primary responsibility as coordinator for a project on Lebanon. Ms. Collings did her graduate work at Carleton University specializing in the study of the Middle East. Her book on the Palestinians will soon be published in England and France. Some time ago, **Estelle Laferrière**

was appointed executive secretary when **Nicole Campbell-Morel** left the Institute.

■ In mid-April the Institute was a co-sponsor of Expo-Science, a pan-québécoise science fair for the school system in Quebec, the finals for which took place this year in Hull. "A project for my planet" was the theme this year. Over 80 finalists displayed their work; ten winners were chosen to participate in an international science fair in Prague.

■ A number of seminars were held during the quarter: we organized a one-day briefing on economic cooperation in Europe prior to the Bonn CSCE; Ambassador **David Peel** and some of his staff from Vienna led a discussion on the conventional arms control negotiations taking place there; **Sam Lewis**, president of the US Insti-

tute for Peace and formerly US Ambassador to Israel, gave a seminar on US policy in the Middle East; **Kevin Clements**, of the University of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand, spoke on New Zealand's defence and security policies.

■ **Ron Purver** gave a paper on Arctic arms control at a seminar sponsored by the Calgary branch of the Naval Officers of Association of Canada. He also spoke about Canada and arms control in the Pacific at the University of Victoria, and made a presentation at the University of California at Berkeley on security relations in the Arctic. **Fen Hampson** spoke at a conference at the University of Wisconsin at Madison on environmental security in the 1990s.

■ In March **Bernard Wood** gave an address on the evolving inter-

national security environment to a meeting cosponsored by the Canadian Institute for Strategic Studies and the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington. At the end of the month he spoke again in Washington to the 65th meeting of the Canadian American Committee: his subject was an alternative spending programme for Canadian defence. During March he led a session at the Collège militaire royale de St. Jean on Canada and the world in the 1990s.

■ During his official visit to Canada, at the end of April, **President Vassiliou**, of Cyprus, addressed a meeting at the Institute. On 24 April **Vitaliy Korotich**, editor of *Ogonyok* and member of the Congress of People's Deputies in the Soviet Union, led a seminar on developments in the USSR.

■ **Brad Feasey** gave a presentation to the spring conference of the Independent Schools History Teachers Association in Ontario at Upper Canada College. **Paul Gray**, a history teacher in Parry Sound, brought pupils from this Canadian and American history class to the Institute for a roundtable discussion.

■ **Nancy Gordon** represented the Institute at the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian National Commission for UNESCO which took place in Hull in early April. **Federico Mayor**, UNESCO's Director-General, addressed the meeting which focussed on culture, science and development.

■ **Rychard Brûlé** attended a conference in Algiers in March organized by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR). The meetings, which brought together African Institutes involved with security and disarmament studies, focussed on areas of common and cooperative study, as well as on new avenues for research. □

Peace and Security Competitions Fund

■ The Board of Directors of the Institute has recently implemented changes in the administration and adjudication of its responsive competitions to fund research and the encouragement of public discussion and information on issues of international peace and security. The goal is to ensure maximum fairness, rigour and efficiency in these competitions and to contribute to the very best resulting projects. These responsive programmes, like the Institute's Barton Awards Programme, will now be managed quite separately from the Institute's in-house and directed programmes.

Resources for these responsive contributions will now be allocated annually by the Institute to a PEACE AND SECURITY COMPETITIONS FUND which will continue to contribute to the most promising projects selected through a semi-annual, independent and competitive process.

The Fund's activities will be overseen by a Council of Trustees composed of four members of the Institute's Board plus up to three outside members. Daily operations will be the responsibility of a Fund Director who is also, at least at the outset, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Institute.

The semi-annual nature of the process remains as before as does the division of available money into two programmes: research; and public discussion and information. Applications will continue to be reviewed by Fund staff for their completeness and relevance to the specified fields of interest and criteria. They will then be considered (as in the past) by Advisory Committees composed of three external assessors, chaired by the Fund Director. Recommendations from these committees will be passed to the Council of Trustees for decisions.

The amount of money allocated to the Fund for the fiscal year 1990-91 is the same as that allocated the previous year. Criteria and application forms have been modified to reflect the above changes. **Please note in particular that the winter deadline for applications has been changed to November 30.** Thus the deadlines are June 30 and November 30, with notifications of the competition results expected in October and March respectively. Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact the Fund Director or Fund Administrators for copies of the new criteria and application forms.