

norm against the transfer of small arms (e.g., the right to possess arms is enshrined in the constitutions of some countries). Third, diverting limited funds to administer a non-proliferation mechanism to deal with small arms and light weapons, without any guarantee of success, may be an inefficient way to employ scarce resources. Finally, small arms accumulation can be seen as a symptom of larger social and economic problems, and efforts would be better directed at solving the source of these problems. This, in turn, would have the effect of reducing the demand for small arms.

Part C of this *Bibliography* is a reference list of useful Internet sites on the subject of small arms and light weapons. Arranged alphabetically by web-site title, each entry includes a World Wide Web address (URL), a street address, telephone and fax number, and, if available, an email address. The annotation for each site provides a summary of the scope and purpose of the web-site. Serial numbers are attached to each world wide web address, preceded by the sign "WWW" (e.g., WWW-1), which permits researchers to identify world wide web sites quickly in the keyword index.

Part D is an Author Index which lists, alphabetically, the corporate and personal authors of documents contained in Parts A and B. Where an article was written on behalf of an institution (e.g., the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute), the institution is listed as the author. Following each author's name is a list of the serial numbers corresponding to his/her articles. The numbering system makes possible quick reference from the Author and Subject Indexes. For instance, the following reference appears in the Author Index:

Kartha, Tara: 302, 517, 610.

By virtue of the initial digits of these serial numbers, the researcher can determine that the annotations associated with Kartha correspond to three articles, published in 1993, 1995, and 1996 respectively.

Part E is an alphabetically organized Subject Index. Keywords listed in this section correspond to words or phrases that appear in the annotations or titles of items in Parts A, B and C of the Bibliography, and fit into at least one of the following categories:

- 1) a nation or region which is mentioned in the text of a study;
- 2) a group involved in the study of small arms and light weapons (e.g., the British American Security Information Council (BASIC));
- 3) a treaty or plan designed to confront the problem of small arms proliferation, for example, the New Forum agreement (now termed the Wassenaar Arrangement); or
- 4) an important term used in the discussion of small arms and light weapons proliferation.

Following each keyword are listed all the serial numbers corresponding to the relevant annotations. As with the Author Index, each serial number allows the researcher to determine the type of document, and in the case of scholarly articles contained in Part B, the year of publication. For example, the following entry appears in the keyword index:

Center for Defense Information (CDI): 524, 616, WWW-3.

From the numbers listed in this case, it is possible to determine that this organization is mentioned in two articles (published in 1995 and 1996) and in a web-site. In addition, acronyms have been included twice: according to their acronym (e.g., BASIC), and according to their full name (e.g., British American Security Information Council). This format allows the keyword index to function as a glossary of acronyms.