PREFACE

Indexes

In 1983 Canada made available a five volume set of documents relating to Chemical Weapons containing: i) official documents (working papers) from the Committee on Disarmament and its predecessors covering the period 1969 to 1982, ii) the final records (PVs) from the 1982 session of the CD, and iii) an index volume including subject, chronological and nation indexes to the official documents.

Six new volumes have now been produced by the Department of External Affairs in Ottawa to update and expand upon the foregoing set. These new volumes contain: i) the official documents (working papers) from the Committee on Disarmament and Conference on Disarmament for 1983 to 1985 (in one volume marked WP), ii) the final records for 1983 to 1985 (in three annual volumes marked PV), and iii) working papers tabled in the Ad Hoc Working Group on Chemical Weapons (AHWGCW) from 1980 to 1984 and the Ad Hoc Committee on Chemical Weapons (AHCCW) during 1984 and 1985 (in one volume marked CD/CW/WP).

The Indexes volume provides a comprehensive index to both sets of documents produced by Canada in 1983 and in 1986. It replaces the earlier Indexes volume to the 1983 set which can now be discarded.

The first index contained in the Indexes volume (Tab 1) is a subject index to official documents (working papers) tabled in plenary as well as working papers tabled in the AHWGCW and the AHCCW, covering the years 1969 to 1985. The second index (Tab 2) lists these documents chronologically. The third index (Tab 3) provides a listing of the documents by nation which, through the serial numbers provided, can be correlated with the chronological listings in Tab 2. Finally, Tab 4 contains a chronological index covering statements contained in the final records (PVs) from 1982 to 1985.

These indexes and the volumes they accompany have been prepared to facilitate discussions and research on the issue of Chemical Weapons.