

## Preface

The last three years have seen significant developments respecting the verification of arms control and disarmament agreements. In the United Nations, the General Assembly on 16 December 1985 adopted without a vote resolution 40/152(o) entitled "Verification In All Its Aspects". Since that time two successive General Assemblies have adopted resolutions on verification. In addition, the United Nations Disarmament Commission began its consideration of the subject in May 1987.

This volume is compiled from the verbatim records (PV) of the Conference on Disarmament (CD). It covers the sessions held in Geneva from 1985 to 1987 and contains the major statements made on the issue of verification of arms control and disarmament proposals. The growing recognition of the importance of verification in arms control and disarmament is reflected both in the number of statements made on this issue and in their content. This Compendium is intended to be used as a resource volume to provide easy access to statements on national positions on verification and to aid those who wish to investigate the development of those positions over a period of time.

The statements are presented in chronological order. Two additional lists of statements are included to aid in the use of this volume. The List of Verbatim