

## Third Seabed Treaty Review Conference Held

monitoring network and demonstrating its potential for verifying a CTBT, most authorities agree that a CTBT will ultimately depend upon a genuine desire by all parties to make it work. No matter how effective a seismic verification network may one day be, a country may still be able to test small nuclear devices if it is determined to disguise these tests. The purpose of a seismic verification network would be to discourage such testing by making it very expensive for countries that wanted to violate the treaty to test secretly. Also, the violating country would risk being caught regardless of how it tried to avoid detection. In the end, however, the conclusion of a CTBT will depend essentially on political considerations rather than on purely scientific ones. □

The Third Review Conference of the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Seabed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof, more commonly known as the Seabed Treaty, took place in Geneva September 19-29, 1989. The Canadian delegation was led by Mr. P. MacKinnon, Counsellor and Consul, Permanent Mission of Canada to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva and to the Conference on Disarmament.

The Seabed Treaty prohibits the emplacement of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction on the seabed and the ocean floor beyond a

12-mile coastal limit. It was negotiated between 1968 and 1970 and entered into force May 18, 1972. Of the five nuclear weapon states, neither France nor China has signed the Treaty. Canada is a party to the Treaty.

Previous review conferences were held in Geneva June 20 — July 1, 1977 and September 12-23, 1983. Following article-by-article consideration of the Treaty, the Third Review Conference adopted a final document which concluded that the Treaty continues to demonstrate its effectiveness. It was decided that a fourth review conference would, in principle, be convened no earlier than 1996. □

## Grants and Contributions from the Disarmament Fund, Fiscal Year 1989-90 To September 30, 1989

### CONTRIBUTIONS

1. <i>Canadian Federation of University Women</i> — student essay contest: "What I am prepared to do for peace"	\$500
2. <i>Dr. Jules Dufour</i> — preparation of a university course on arms control and disarmament	\$1,900
3. <i>Voice of Women</i> — orientation tour of the UN Disarmament Commission	\$6,050
4. <i>Peace Education Centre</i> — Youth for Global Awareness Conference	\$4,000
5. <i>Canadian Centre for Arms Control and Disarmament</i> — Ballistic Missile Defence study	\$19,760
6. <i>Science for Peace, Toronto Chapter</i> — University College Lectures in Peace Studies	\$3,000
7. <i>Centre de Ressources sur la Non-Violence</i> — research on non-violent civil defence and common security	\$7,000
8. <i>Polish-American Parliamentary Debate Institutes Canada</i> — lecture tour of Poland	\$2,500
9. <i>Inuit Circumpolar Conference</i> — participation in Fifth Inuit Circumpolar General Assembly, Greenland	\$4,000
10. <i>David Cox, Queen's University</i> — peacekeeping workshop	\$18,000
11. <i>Canadian Centre for Arms Control and Disarmament</i> — conference on Canadian-Soviet Arctic cooperation	\$20,000
12. <i>United Nations Association in Canada, Montreal Branch</i> — UN General Assembly simulation	\$2,000
13. <i>Political Studies Students' Conference, University of Manitoba</i> — "End of the Cold War? Prospects for East-West Security in the 1990s" conference	\$4,500
<b>TOTAL OF CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	<b>\$93,210</b>

### GRANTS

1. <i>Dr. Michael Mephram</i> — Language and Ideology: a study of the nature of the peace movement's participation in the arms control and disarmament debate	\$7,000
2. <i>Canadian Student Pugwash</i> — chemical weapons workshop at annual conference	\$9,488
3. <i>William Epstein</i> — participation at Pugwash Symposium, Dublin, May 5-7, 1989	\$320
4. <i>Canadian Institute of Strategic Studies</i> — publication of proceedings of seminar on "Nuclear Strategy in the 90s: Deterrence, Defence and Disarmament"	\$7,500
5. <i>Canadian Peace Alliance</i> — preparation of Canadian Peace Catalogue and Database	\$15,000
6. <i>Project Ploughshares</i> — preparation of manual on common security issues	\$17,000
<b>TOTAL OF GRANTS</b>	<b>\$56,308</b>
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