

the Conference on Disarmament 1984-1986 (CD), the Committee on Disarmament, 1979-1983 (CD), the Conference of the Committee on Disarmament, 1969-1978 (CCD), and the Eighteen Nation Disarmament Committee, 1962-1969 (ENDC). In addition, arms control treaties and agreements possessing verification provisions have been included. There is no guarantee, however, that all government proposals and agreements have been abstracted.

The review of non-governmental proposals includes those by academics as well as by international bodies and covers the period from 1962 to December 1985, though most attention has been given to the last decade. There has been less comprehensive coverage of 1986. A Supplementary Bibliography of items not received in time for inclusion in the Compendium can be found at the end of Volume 3 of the Compendium. Coverage includes periodical articles, pamphlets, documents and books.

A verification proposal is defined as a statement or document advocating, supporting, rejecting, describing or evaluating a verification system. Only proposals considered to be significantly substantive are abstracted separately. Statements which support or reject a prior proposal are usually appended to the abstract of that proposal. General statements on the need or lack of need for verification are, for the most part, not incorporated into the Compendium. However, theoretical discussions and statements of principles relating to verification and compliance are included in this Third Edition. It should be emphasized also that within these limits the Compendium is not intended to include everything said by every country or author on the subject of verification. Readers who are interested in a more exhaustive listing of government verbatim statements on the subject of verification made in the Conference on Disarmament and its predecessors are referred to the following publication:

Compendium of Verbatim Statements on Verification.
Ottawa: Department of External Affairs, 1985. (3 volumes).

Verification proposals relating to the confidence-building measures are generally excluded from the Third Edition of this Compendium. Readers interested in this subject are referred to the following publication:

Compendium of Confidence-Building Proposals, Second Edition.
Ottawa: Operational Research and Analysis Establishment,
Department of National Defence, forthcoming.

Format of the Abstracts

The abstract of each verification proposal is divided into separate sections as follows:

- (1) Arms Control Problem: The arms control topic or objective to which the proposal is related.
- (2) Verification Type: The verification types involved, that is the kind of inspection, observation equipment, monitoring agency or procedures for verifying a signatory's compliance with the proposed arms control agreement. In the case of theoretical