

regular features such as "News from the Hill", "Arms Control Digest", "News from the Institute", "Bibliography".

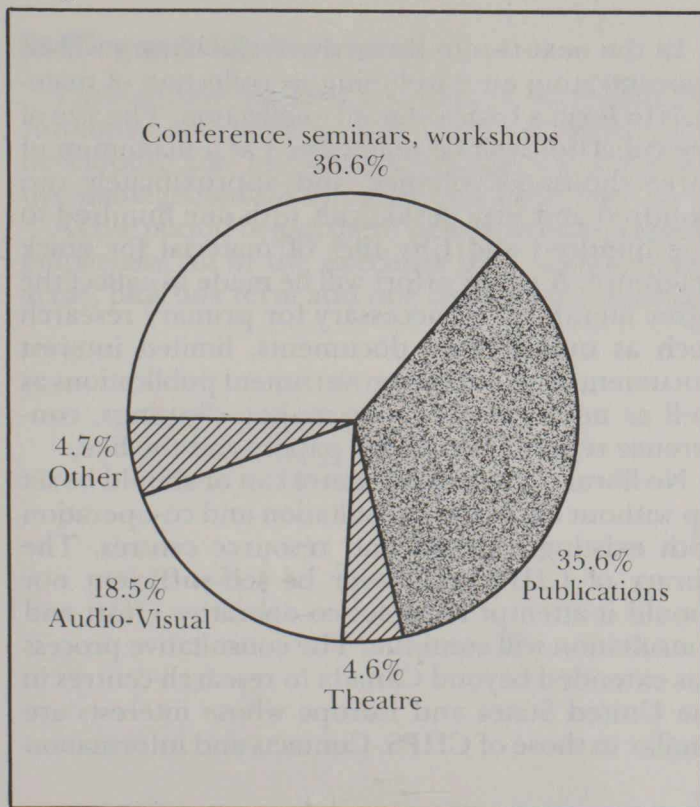
Preliminary work was begun on the publication of short Fact Sheets on specific topics. A number of people, especially teachers, have indicated that they would find such material useful. All publications are distributed on request to individuals and groups.

Institute personnel have sought to foster exchanges of views between Members of Parliament, officials and members of the media, by such means as the organization of meetings and seminars for members of all three groups. The Institute has also responded to requests for information from members of the media.

During the spring and summer of 1985 Institute personnel consulted with groups of Canadians having an interest in one or more areas of the mandate (arms control, disarmament, defence and conflict resolution) to find out their ideas for Institute policy and programmes. During the autumn and winter that consultative process was widened by staff travelling throughout the country to attend a variety of conferences, seminars and similar events to speak about the substance of the mandate and the process of its implementation and to continue to seek views on issues of peace and security.

PUBLIC PROGRAMMES GRANTS

Project



Language

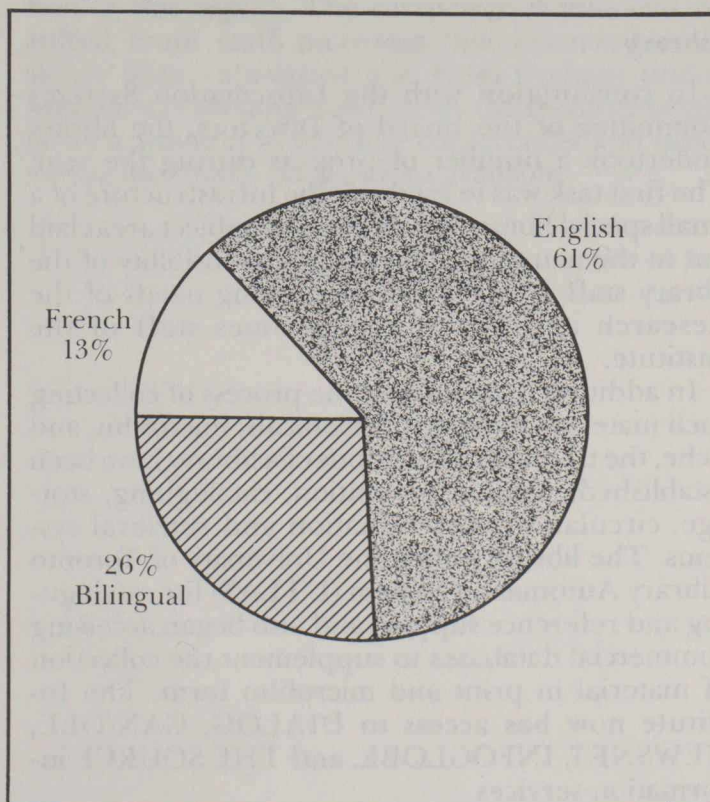


Figure 2

Another method of stimulating public discussion is by the awarding of grants to non-governmental organizations, public interest groups and individuals, to assist them in their work. The Institute received 164 applications during the year, of which eighty three were given funding assistance.

As mentioned earlier in this report, it was thought that for its first year of operations the Institute needed to find out from the community at large what was needed and what sorts of activities were going on which needed support. Criteria were therefore flexible and responsive in nature. Grants were dispersed in relatively small amounts to a large number of applicants. The Board of Directors decided in March 1986 to modify that strategy by encouraging partnership arrangements with a number of national organizations. In future, therefore, a smaller number of larger grants will be awarded for projects in which the Institute has an interest, but some funds will be retained for smaller, responsive grants in the 1986/87 fiscal year.

A list of all grants awarded may be found in Annex II of this report.

The diagrams in figures 2 and 3, depict the distribution of grants by project, language and audience.