

We in Canada believe that the Campaign should not be looked upon as a short-term project; world opinion on arms control and disarmament can be changed only through a continuing process of working towards international peace and security. Thus, we want to encourage other Member States to contribute to the Campaign, thereby extending its activities. As one of the larger donors, we can say with some confidence that our investment has been worthwhile; the list of publications and information activities cited in the Report of the Secretary-General on the World Disarmament Campaign (document A/41/554) attests to the UN's commitment to discuss international peace and security "on a universal basis, in a balanced, factual, and objective manner."

Canada has noted the complete presentation in the 1986 Campaign report, particularly in the last section detailing the breakdown of pledges and expenditures. We support the continuation of such detailed reporting and hope those Members who are deciding on the merits of a pledge will refer to this report as a basis for participation in the Campaign.

Among the projects undertaken by the World Disarmament Campaign are the helpful publications put out by the Department for Disarmament Affairs. We have found the UN Disarmament Yearbook, the Factsheets, and Disarmament - A Periodic Review by the UN to be particularly useful publications and we encourage continued funding which would allow for the publication of more issues per year.

We would also like to make particular reference to the successful Regional Conference held last spring in Tbilisi, Georgian SSR. Canada attended this meeting and would like to commend the Department for Disarmament Affairs and the Government of the USSR for the organization of this event. We hope such conferences will continue and we support the initiative of the Chinese government in offering to host the next meeting.

As a country deeply concerned about international peace and security, Canada also helps to develop informed public opinion on arms control and disarmament issues in our own country through the establishment of the Disarmament Fund, which has provided nearly \$2 million over the last three years to non-governmental organizations, researchers, and private individuals undertaking balanced research and discussion in the field of international peace and security. Last fiscal year, over \$570,000 was granted to more than 35 groups and individuals involved in organizing conferences or seminars, research, and in publishing information material.