

HUMAN security

O N T H E I N T E R N E T

To learn all about human security issues, we suggest you start with a visit to the Department's Web site (www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca) and click on "Peacebuilding and Human Security" in the Policy section. From there, click on "Human Security." This will bring you to a number of policy documents, ministerial speeches, background information and links to other related Web sites, particularly the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees.

For further information, visit the Web site of the Canadian International Development Agency (www.acdi-cida.gc.ca) or that of the Canadian Resource Bank for Democracy and Human Rights (www.web.net/~canadem). ●

TO RECEIVE OUR MAGAZINE

Canada World View is distributed free of charge. Residents of Canada can subscribe by writing to: Enquiries Service
Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade
125 Sussex Drive, B-2
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G2

For copies of this and previous issues, contact DFAIT's Enquiries Service:
Tel.: 1-800-267-8376 (toll-free) or
(613) 944-4000 (National Capital Region)
Fax: (613) 996-9709
E-mail: enqserv@dfait-maeci.gc.ca

"The world can **NEVER** be at peace **UNLESS** people have **SECURITY** in their daily lives."

—Human Development Report, UN Development Programme, 1994

DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

CETTE PUBLICATION EST ÉGALEMENT DISPONIBLE EN FRANÇAIS.

From 1990 to 1995 a total of **70 states** were involved in **93 wars**, which killed **5.5 million** people.

In the mid-1990s, known military spending was **US\$800 billion** each year, or **US\$145** per person worldwide. This is **30 percent** lower than in 1985, when the Cold War was at its height.

Most of today's wars are civil conflicts. More than **half** the wars of the 1990s lasted for over **five** years.

In **half** of the countries experiencing war, ethnic minorities represent from **10 to 50 percent** of the population.

According to the UN Human Development Index, **57 percent** of wars during 1990-95 took place in countries with **low** human development, versus only **14 percent** in countries with high development. The Index rates countries by their combined prosperity, health and education levels.

For the Record: The UN Human Rights System is an annual report that compiles and summarizes all human rights activity at the UN. It appears on the Web sites of Foreign Affairs (www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca) and Human Rights Internet (www.hri.ca). For the print or CD-ROM version, contact HRI at 8 York Street, Suite 302, Ottawa, Ontario K1N 5S6.

Over **200 000** children under **15** serve in regular and irregular armed forces around the world.



Canada World View is published in both English and French under the direction of:

Richard M. Bégin
Communications Services Division
Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade
125 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G2
Canada.

Canada World View is also available on the Internet: www.dfait-maeci.gc.ca/canada-magazine

