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Preface

This volume is compiled from the verbatim records (PV) of the Conference on Disarmament (CD). It covers the sessions held in Geneva from 1985 to 1987 and contains the major statements made on the issue of verification of arms control and disarmament proposals. The growing recognition of the importance of verification in arms control and disarmament is reflected both in the number of statements made on this issue and in their content. This compendium is intended to be used as a resource volume to provide easy access to statements on national positions on verification and to aid those who wish to investigate the development of those positions over a period of time.

The statements are presented in chronological order. Two additional lists of statements are included to aid in the use of this volume. The List of Verbatim Statements by Issue organizes the statements according to the arms control issue being discussed. The major issues discussed in the CD during the 1985-1987 sessions include: a chemical weapons convention, a comprehensive test ban, nuclear disarmament, arms control in outer space, and a radiological weapons convention. The List of Verbatim Statements by Nation organizes the statements by nation. A coded reference is included in this list to indicate the issue being discussed in