

PREFACE

The legislation which created the Canadian Institute for International Peace and Security in 1984 states that "the purpose of the Institute is to increase knowledge and understanding of the issues relating to international peace and security from a Canadian perspective, with particular emphasis on arms control, disarmament, defence and conflict resolution". An annual review of peace and security issues, and the Canadian response to them, will, we think, contribute to and encourage public discussion and thereby help to increase knowledge and understanding.

This first review was written by Geoffrey Pearson, Executive Director of the Institute. The Institute's Board of Directors saw the paper in advance, and while some offered comment, the judgements and conclusions of the paper are those of the author.