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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

■ There is little doubt that issues of international peace and security played no obvious role in deciding the recent election. This might be because there is not a great deal to argue about.

There is a remarkable convergence of policy among the three major parties on Canada's role in the world regarding defence and international security. They all support peacekeeping, the UN, a more or less vigorous anti-apartheid stance, aid to developing countries, pressure on the superpowers toward nuclear disarmament, partnership of some sort with like-minded western powers, and a moderate increase in defence spending. They might argue during Question Period about when we should break off diplomatic relations with South Africa, or about the number of frigates the navy should get, but this is small change as far as controversy over public policy goes. Nobody with a reasonable prospect of gaining office is proposing we join the Warsaw Pact, invade Cuba or run guns to the Contras.

What differences there are have been deliberately muted: the Conservatives have deferred the po-

tentially divisive question of nuclear-powered submarines until who knows when; the NDP's proposal to have Canada leave the North Atlantic Alliance was not very subtly fudged by a statement that it would not leave NATO during its first term in office.

As **Don Munton's** analysis of this year's survey results shows, Canadians have definite and quite nuanced views of international and defence policy issues. What is also clear from the survey is that Canadians don't want very much to change. Perhaps this reflects a widespread view that insofar as issues of war and peace can be "managed," and to the extent that Canada has influence on these matters, we are doing about as well as we can.

What this survey does not reflect - others have - is the deep-rooted concern about other international problems: economic decline, environmental catastrophe, overpopulation and so on. At least one recent survey has Canadians much more worried about these challenges to their security and well-being than they are about war - a startling shift from only a few years ago. The important difference between the war and peace problem and the other questions,

is that we have only just begun to comprehend the dimensions of the challenges we face and they are not being managed at all.

In other articles, **Alain Bor-gognon** looks at the apparently lucrative international trade in toxic waste and what various international organizations are trying to do to regulate the practice; the controversial question of nuclear-powered submarines, and the political and diplomatic implications of Canada's decision, are examined by **Sharon Hobson**; and we present a tribute to the life and career of the late John Holmes by **King Gordon**.

Last, *Peace & Security* indulges in some (we hope) constructive navel gazing in the form of a roundtable discussion on the past and future of the Institute. This issue of *Peace & Security* also marks the departure of CIIPS founding and current Executive Director **Geoffrey Pearson**. He will be succeeded for a five-year term on 1 February 1989 by **Bernard Wood**, formerly founding Director of the non-profit policy research centre, the North-South Institute.

- Michael Bryans

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