

PREFACE

Environmental issues have grabbed the spotlight of public attention. Paradoxically, in contrast to the doom and gloom speculation on the nature and extent of environmental degradation, there has been relatively little discussion, in practical policy terms, of what can or should be done to address environmental problems within the context of global security and international governance.

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The Canadian Institute for International Peace and Security assembled a wide range of decision makers and experts on 11 and 12 April to discuss the nature and extent of environmental degradation, its ecological, social, political and economic consequences, and the implications for regional, national and international levels. The conference was organized by the Director of Public Programmes at the Institute, and Ken Oley-Hampton, a Research Associate. They were ably assisted by Margaret Bourquart, Bill Tansley and Samantha Hayward. This report presents an overview of the major issues addressed during the conference. It is organized by theme, rather than in the chronological sequence of events. Appendix I contains the programme and Appendix II a list of conference participants.

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**CLIMATE CHANGE, GLOBAL SECURITY,
AND INTERNATIONAL GOVERNANCE**

**A SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS
OF A CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE
CHANGE AND GLOBAL SECURITY
OTTAWA, 11 - 12 APRIL 1990**

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