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## NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

■ With this issue's cover story by **Don Munton**, CIIPS releases results of a public opinion survey of Canadian attitudes and opinions on a wide variety of peace and security issues. Unlike omnibus public opinion surveys that ask a few questions on everything from Party loyalty to preference in laundry detergent, the CIIPS poll deals solely with Canadians' concerns about international peace and security.

Munton's article concentrates on one element of the survey – Canadian views on the policies and behaviour of the superpowers. A piece of the poll not mentioned in the article attracted this writer's attention. The survey probes the extent to which Canadians see increased military power by the Western nations as adding to their security or to the chance for peace. Most believe that it does not. However, when asked specifically about the size of the Canadian military effort, more than six out of ten said it should be "larger."

This seems at first glance a flat contradiction. How can people hold these two ideas in their heads at the same time? One can only speculate on how each individual

rationalizes the apparent contradiction; here are a few guesses:

Military power is intimately connected to national pride; could the Canada-US free trade deal, impending for many months, cause people to compensate for what they perceive as a 'loss' of national esteem by bolstering it in another area? Canadians want Canada to be taken seriously on the world stage, if it is seen that we are 'not pulling our weight,' is that a reason to increase the size of our forces? Canadians have a benign self-image; unlike the great powers we have never threatened anyone. Is it therefore alright for Canada to increase its forces while it is not alright for other nations?

None of these conjectures may be correct; nevertheless, the attitudes revealed in the survey are another reminder of how military power and citizens' feelings about their own and their country's security, are bound up in the history and politics of a people.

In the other articles for this issue, **Gérard Hervouet** of Université Laval reports on the grim situation he found during a recent visit to Vietnam; **Jane Boulden**, author of CIIPS Background Paper *Who's Ahead: Examining The*

*Nuclear Balance*, looks at prospects for more progress on arms reductions in light of the superpower dispute over the real meaning of the Anti-ballistic Missile Treaty; **Boyce Richardson**, Ottawa freelance writer and filmmaker, points to the United Nations Environment Programme as a potentially useful mechanism for settling international disputes over water resources; and **Francine Lecours**, CIIPS research assistant, shows how the desire of Iran to influence the politics of the entire Middle East transcends the differences between the Shah's regime and Khomeini's revolutionary government.

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