

Editorial Note

This fifth volume concludes the publication of the *Proceedings of the XVIIth World Congress of Philosophy*. To facilitate consultation, an index of topics, an index of authors and a comprehensive table of contents have been added.

All the papers included in the Congress programme have been published with the exception of a few which have been omitted because of typographical or linguistic defects.

Many round tables and special sessions did not require the preparation of written papers. In some few cases, the only papers submitted seemed too schematic or dealt with rather peripheral matters, so that we have not deemed desirable to publish them under the titles listed for the sessions.

We take this last opportunity to express our gratitude to all those who have assisted in the organization of the XVIIth World Congress of Philosophy and in the publication of the *Proceedings*, to the *Université de Montréal* whose institutional support made the Congress possible, to public Canadian and Québec funding agencies, finally to Denyse Cauchy, whose unflinching support and ceaseless labor have literally made possible the organization of the World Congress and the publication of the *Proceedings*.