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- □ Prior to Version 7 of SAS/ACCESS Interface to CA-IDMS software, the CA-IDMS DATA step interface was reserved for programs that required full control over DBMS access, or for when access through the LRF was not available or not desired. Beginning in Version 7, the DATA step interface replaces the SAS/ACCESS interface view engine. The ACCESS procedure and descriptors and access through the LRF are no longer supported; only the DATA step interface is supported.
- □ The SAS/ACCESS Interface to CA-IDMS software has been enhanced to support SAS System features such as 32–character SAS variable names. See *SAS Language Reference: Concepts* for information about the new naming conventions.
- □ An IF statement has been provided to enable you to issue IF SET EMPTY, IF SET NOT EMPTY, IF SET MEMBER, and IF NOT SET MEMBER CA-IDMS function calls, and receive the result in the ERRSTAT variable. For more information, see "IF" on page 26.

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