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In 1989 - 1991 some countries of the Regional Group X continued elaborating the national lists in accordance with the recommendation of the Resolution Nr. II/35 of the UN conference on geographical nomenclature standardization according to which the concise gazetteers of standardized names of particular territories should be published with the aim to expedite the world-wide process of standardization. In the CSFR such a list was published in 1990 under the title Geographical Names of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic. The publication contains 4,993 names of settlement and physical geographical objects in detail of the 1:750,000 CSFR map.

In Poland the national gazetteers entitled Nazwy geograficzne Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej was published in 1991. It comprises the names of 28,000 administration units, historical regions, settlement objects as well as physical and geographical objects in detail of the 1:500,000 map.

In Bulgaria and Hungary no publication on geographical names have been edited in the given period.

In addition, six publications listing the geographical names of selected districts of the Slovak Republic have been published since the 9<sup>th</sup> session of Regional Group X /1989/. Each publication provides about 2,000 standardized names of geographical objects in detail of the 1:10,000 State Map. Furthermore, Names of Castles and Stately Homes in the Slovak Republic as well as Names of Water Streams and Water Areas of the Slovak Republic - The Bodrog and Tisza Rivers Basin /comprising 867 names/ were published.

All quoted publications comply with the Resolution Nr. I/4 issued by the UN conference on geographical nomenclature standardization /Geneva, 1967/ as well the Resolution Nr. II/35 issued by the UN conference on geographical nomenclature standardization /London, 1972/.