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All countries represented at the 12th Division session of 6-10 September, 1993 (Budapest) follow the recommendations of the United Nations concerning the standardization of geographical names but with certain differences as to extent.

Geographical names authorities are established in all countries.

Several individual volumes and series of gazetteers have been published in printed form in most of the countries. Toponymic databases are operational and are being extended in Cyprus, Hungary and the Slovak Republic, are in the preparational stage or planned in the rest of the countries. Toponymic guidelines for map and other editors have been published or reedited in most countries. Poland is about to complete its guidelines shortly; Hungary and the Slovak Republic presented new editions.

Advice was given to representatives of countries that joined recently the Division on matters of standardization of geographical names (Albania, Slovenia, Ukraine). Copies of the collected resolutions adopted at the five United Nations Conferences (1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987) were distributed to them. Besides, all delegations received other general information documents on the standardization of geographical names.