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Proposal for a Directory of
Names Authorities and Toponymic Commissions

(Submitted by the Dutch-German Division)

Proposal

Submitted by the Dutch-German Speaking Division (DGSD)

In order to facilitate communication and exchange of information on the standardisation of Geographical names the Dutch-German speaking Division proposes to compile a name and address list of names of authorities and Toponymic Commissions in U.N. member countries.

This list is to be compiled by UNGEGN and should be mailed to the various UNGEGN-Linguistic Divisions for further distribution among U.N. member countries.

As a model of the proposed address list the following addresses of relevant agencies in Austria, F.R.G. and The Netherlands may serve.

Names Authorities and Toponymic Commissions

Austria

Contribution of Austria to the activities of the Chairman of the Dutch- and German Speaking Division of the UNGEGN in accordance with the Report of the Divisional Meeting of October 1980.

In consequence to the federal structure of Austria the legal situation is rather complicated. For the purposes of international cartography the following statements will suffice:

The names of inhabited places of all categories are standardized. They are published by the federal authority

Osterreichisches Statistisches Zentralamt,
Heldenplatz, Neue Burg, A-1010 Wien (Vienna)

The geographical names other than inhabited place names, i.e. the names of mountains, hills, valleys, rivers, lakes, glaciers, woods, etc. are officially collected and published in maps by the federal authority

Bundesamt für Eich- und Vermessungswesen (Landesaufnahme),
Krotenthallergasse 3, A-1080 Wien (Vienna).

The standardization of these names is in progress but not yet concluded. Nevertheless, the names of the official Austrian Map 1:50 000 are to be regarded as official names in so far as they form part of an official publication.

These two official agencies concerned with the publication of geographical names are assisted in their work by boards on geographical names: For Austria as a whole:

Abteilung für Kartographische Ortsnamenkunde der
Osterreichischen Kartographischen Kommission in der
Osterreichischen Geographischen Gesellschaft
Karl-Schweighofergasse 3, A-1071 Wien (Vienna)

For the provinces of Austria:

- Burgenland:** Burgenländische Nomenklaturkommission beim Amte
der Burgenländischen Landesregierung - Landesarchiv,
Freiheitsplatz 1, A-7001 Eisenstadt
- Salzburg:** Salzburger Ortsnamenkommission beim Salzburger Institut
für Raumborschung, Postfach 2, A-5033 Salzburg
- Styria:** Steirische Ortsnamenkommission beim Steiermärkischen
Landesarchiv, Bürgergasse 2 A, A-8010 Graz
- Tyrol:** Tiroler Nomenklaturkommission, Amt der Tiroler
Landesregierung, Tiroler Landesarchiv, Herrng. 1,
A-6010 Innsbruck
- Vorarlberg:** Vorarlberger Nomenklaturkommission im Amte der Vor-
arlberger Landesregierung, Montforstr. 12, 6900 Bregenz
- Vienna:** Wiener Nomenklaturkommission im Wiener Stadt- und
Landesarchiv, Magistrat der Stadt Wien, Abt. 8,
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