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Reports by Governments on the situation in their countries and on the progress made in the standardization of geographical names since the Ninth Conference (for distribution only)

National activities for the production, dissemination and use of geographical names

Submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran**

Summary***

As mentioned in the related reports and records, the Islamic Republic of Iran has properly interacted with the United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names since the early years of its establishment and has always taken into consideration the decisions and recommendations made by the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names. The Iranian Committee for the Standardization of Geographical Names, led by the National Cartographic Centre, is in charge of directing activities in the area of the production, distribution and standard use of correct geographical names at the national and regional levels. Also, the various working groups of the Iranian Committee for the Standardization of Geographical Names are collaborating with the corresponding working groups in the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

The outcome of the continuous Iranian efforts has been reflected in the international conferences and sessions on the standardization of geographical names. Some major areas of work since the Ninth Conference are the following:

- Digital data collection and registration on geographical names
- Geographical Names Gazetteer

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*** The full report is available in the language of submission only from <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/ungegnConf10.html>.



- Iranian National Geographic Data Base
 - Website of the Iranian Committee for the Standardization of Geographical Names
 - Publicity and dissemination of information on geographical names
 - Collecting and recording the geographical names of urban streets and places
 - Cultural heritage preservation
 - List of country names
 - Toponymic guideline of the Islamic Republic of Iran
 - New Persian romanization system
 - Names of maritime features
 - Monitoring and control over use and dissemination of correct geographical names
 - National, regional and international conferences and sessions on geographical names
 - Other activities
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