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Updating of the Glossary of Terms for the Standardization of Geographical Names

Summary**

The full text of the present document contains proposed new terms to complement, enrich, correct and rectify certain definitions, so that the Glossary of Terms of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, published over 14 years ago in 2002, can be updated.

The document contains some suggestions for new terms and some clarifications and corrections of other terms. For example, some terms listed in the glossary are not defined; they include “sigle”, “sibir”, “patronyme” and “espace en partage”. Other terms need to be revised or corrected; they include “ethnonyme”, “éponyme”, “répertoire”, “index toponymique” and “nom traditionnel”. Lastly, some terms are new; they include “normalisation régionale”, “nom international”, “dénomination consensuelle” and “dénomination conflictuelle”.

* [GEGN.2/2019/1](#).

** The full report, prepared by Brahim Atoui, will be available as document GEGN.2/2019/48/CRP.48, in the language of submission only, at the following address: https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/1st_session_UNGEGN.html.

