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Activities relating to the Working Group on the Promotion of the Recording and Use of Indigenous, Minority and Regional Language Group Geographical Names

**Indigenous, minority and regional language group geographical names in
the Nordic National Mapping Agencies' datasets ***

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Summary

UNGEEN Norden Division made a divisional study on place names stored and maintained in the Danish, Finnish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish National Mapping Agencies' (NMA) datasets.

According to the study, there are close to three million toponyms recorded in the NMAs' datasets. More than 100 000 of the names are indigenous, minority or regional language group geographical names in Faroese, Finnish (in Sweden), Greenlandic/Kalaallisut, Inari Saami, Kven, Lule Saami, Meänkieli, North Saami, Pite Saami, Skolt Saami, South Saami and Ume Saami. The amounts of all names by country (NMA) and language are given in the full Working paper.