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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and to the Permanent Observers of Non-Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to inform them that, in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2013/257 of 7 November 2013, the twenty-eighth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 28 April to 2 May 2014.

The provisional agenda for the session will be issued as document GEGN/28/1, and a note on documentation for the session will be issued as document GEGN/28/2. Both documents will be accessible on the website of the UNGEGN:
<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEKN/sessions.html>.

In order to assist the Secretariat with its preparation for the session, the Secretary-General would be grateful to receive as soon as possible details concerning the names of the delegates designated by the Governments of the Permanent Representatives to attend the session. The Secretary-General avails himself of this opportunity to request those Governments which may wish to submit technical papers in support of items of the provisional agenda, to do so no later than 7 March 2014, in accordance with the procedures outlined in document GEGN/28/2.

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