

Ad-Hoc Group of Experts on  
the Standardization of  
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LIST OF GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES FOR INTERNATIONAL USE

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Considering that :

- (a) it is likely to take a long time before a common system of romanization of geographical names is developed;
- (b) many countries have adopted systems of romanization for their own use;
- (c) it may not be possible for every country to issue gazetteers of its geographical names;
- (d) some countries may not make their maps available to the general public,

It is proposed that each country supply to the United Nations and other countries a list of its major geographical names, the list to include the name of the country and its capital, the names of its major administrative divisions and their administrative centers, the names of major towns, rivers, mountains, etc... romanized in its own system.

A form for preparing the lists is attached.

LIST OF GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

Serial No.	Name in the official language of the country	Romanized spelling	Description of the geographic entity	Coordinates correct to a minute	Remarks as to the extent of the entity, etc.
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