Official list of names of countries and non-self-governing territories

Submitted by Poland**

Summary***

In 2011, the Head Office of Geodesy and Cartography published the new list of country names. The list was prepared by the Commission on Standardization of Geographical Names Outside the Republic of Poland, and is entitled “Official list of names of countries and non-self-governing territories”. The list contains the names of 195 countries recognized by Poland and the names of 69 non-self-governing territories. Attached to the register is a list of the names of 10 territories with undetermined or disputed international status.

The names of countries, territories and their capitals included in the register have obtained the approval of the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The footnotes explaining the status of countries and territories have been provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The adjectives derived from names of countries and territories, as well as names of citizens and inhabitants have been provided in line with the opinion provided by the Orthography and Onomastics Commission of the Council for the Polish Language.

For each country and territory the following are given: the short name of the country/territory (nominative, genitive, locative) in Polish; the official full name of the country/territory in Polish; the name of the official language (languages) in Polish; the short name of the country/territory in the official language (or in official languages); the official full name of the country/territory in the official language (or in official languages); the adjective from the name of the country/territory in Polish

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(nominative, singular, male gender); the name of inhabitants of the country/territory in Polish (male and female gender singular, and male gender plural); the name of the country’s/territory’s capital used in the Polish language; the name of the country’s/territory’s capital in the official language (or in official languages).

The list is published in Polish, but inset in English (with translation of the introductory parts, footnotes and dictionaries) is also added. The publication, inset and updates are available at the website of the Commission: http://ksng.gugik.gov.pl/english/wykaz.php.