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Reports by Governments on the situation in their countries and on the progress made in the standardization of geographical names since the Ninth Conference (for distribution only)

Report of Slovenia

Summary**

After the Ninth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, the Slovenian Commission for the Standardization of Geographical Names met on 32 occasions. It has adopted a number of decisions, mostly on toponyms.

During the past year, the main task of the Commission has been to take decisions on the correctness and suitability of new names and on the renaming of streets and settlements in Slovenia, in accordance with the law of defining territories and the naming of settlements, streets and buildings. The Commission must approve any new or changed names before they can be officially announced by municipalities.

Slovenia is connected to the EuroGeoNames web service, with geographical names data on the scale 1:25.000. The Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia has been a project partner with the European Commission since implementation of the EuroGeoNames.

Owing to the financial crisis in the public sector of Slovenia, the Commission did not receive all the expected funds in the past year. As a result, during some periods, the Commission was at a standstill and could implement only urgent matters.

The decisions and recommendations contained in the reports of the Commission's experts reflect the resolutions adopted by the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

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** The full report was prepared by the Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia and the Commission for the Standardization of Geographical Names of the Republic of Slovenia, and is available in the language of submission only from <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/ungegnConf10.html>.

