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International Co-operation on Orthography

In Sweden, the first sheets of the official topographic map with the new orthography for North-Lappish names have now been published.

Gazetteers

During the first half of 1984, an Inter-Nordic Committee on Data Processing of Names held two meetings, where cartographers and onomasts discussed i.a. digitalising names together with coordinates and other data on official maps. This material should be of great use for data-processed gazetteers.

In Denmark, a gazetteer for Jylland (Jutland) is under preparation and will appear in 1985.

Names Authorities

In Norway, the Ministry of Education in 1979 appointed a commission with instructions to submit proposals for new rules for the writing of place-names. The committee submitted its proposals in 1983, but they have not yet been discussed in the Parliament.

In Sweden, the Ministry of Education in 1980 appointed a commission with instructions to work out general outlines for the standardization of place-names. The committee submitted its proposals in 1982, and they will be discussed by the Parliament in a near future.