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(Submitted by the East Central and South-East
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The Tenth Regional Division considers that the notes on West Berlin as a Bundesland (federal state) of the FRG and as including geographical names such as, for instance, Barnim, Grunewald and Haveland, incorporated in West Berlin, contained in the text of working paper No 24 entitled "Names of Mountains and Regions in the Federal Republic of Germany", contradict the quadripartite agreement on West Berlin from September 3, 1971.

This is confirmed by the following texts in the quadripartite agreement on West Berlin:

Part II - "Measures concerning the western sectors of Berlin", letter "B" :

"The governments of the French Republic, of the United Kingdom and of the United States of America declare that the ties between the western sectors of Berlin and the Federal Republic of Germany will be supported and developed, bearing in mind that these sectors, as hitherto, are not a constituent part of the Federal Republic of Germany and will not be governed by it in the future as well. ..."

Appendix II to the quadripartite agreement - excerpt from point 1:

" The formulations of the fundamental law of the Federal Republic of Germany and of the constitution in force in the western sectors of Berlin which are in contradiction with the above, become devoid of force and, as before, will be null."

On the basis of the principles of the quoted texts of the quadripartite agreement on West Berlin the People's Republic of Bulgaria, in its capacity of chairman of the Tenth Regional Division, and having consulted the member countries of the Division,

expresses the unanimous opinion that the geographical names of the territory of West Berlin should not be included in a list of geographical names from the territory of the Federal Republic of Germany.