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T e r m i n o l o g y

The Ninth session of the Tenth United Nations linguistic/geographical division /Bratislava, March 1989/ was concerned with the Glossary of Technical Terminology Employed in the Standardization of Geographical Names /here in after called Glossary 330/ which had been at the participants of the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names /Montreal, August 1987/ disposal, and with the possibilities of its utilization by linguistic/geographical division.

In terms of the preparation for the session Poland and Czechoslovakia had studied the Glossary 330 in more detail. The session of linguistic/geographical division adopted submitted recommendation.

- with regard to its function the Glossary 330 will be suitable base for the compilation of national glossaries in member states of the linguistic/geographical division and so it will be needful aid for the communication;
- in order to achieve better implementation of the Glossary function there would be useful to study its completeness and to complement it with other terms to the extent that separate groups of terms will be equalized to one another /e.g. under an entry "toponym - toponymy - toponymic object"/. We propose to complete also those terms which follow from the structure and from the form of geographical names, and the definitions of those scientific disciplines which are closely connected with the standardization of geographical names. There are the terms:

lexeme, word  
syllable  
one-verbal proper name  
one-verbal geographical name  
multi-verbal proper name  
multi-verbal geographical name  
syllabic letters  
logographic, ideographic letters  
substantive, nouns  
adjective  
preposition  
orthoepy, correct pronunciation  
geography  
hydrography  
orography  
cosmography  
cartography  
  
onymy  
geonymy  
hydronymy  
oronymy  
  
cosmonym  
onymic object  
orographic object  
  
nomenclature  
terminology  
geographical names  
standardized geographical name  
historical proper name  
domestic proper name  
foreign proper name  
historical geographical name  
domestic geographical name  
foreign geographical name

The last three terms were excerpted from original proposal of the Tenth United Nations linguistic/geographical division which was submitted at the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names under the number E/CONF.79/L.63. Other terms of this proposal are included in the Glossary 330.