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Report of the United Kingdom Division

The official map-making organizations of many of the United Kingdom are all actively engaged in digitizing their national geographical information systems (GIS). The success of this work will depend on the future of the GIS itself. In effect, a digital GIS is really a Land Information System (LIS). This system will then become important.

The Ordnance Survey of Great Britain is preparing the basic survey for the whole of the country, which is the basic survey area of 1:10,000 for urban areas, 1:25,000 for rural areas, and 1:50,000 for countryside. The topographic content of this LIS will be at the scale of all other of the digital data. The planned completion date for this is 1978.

A revised edition of the U.S. 1:50,000 (pushover) maps is planned for publication in June 1976.

A new series of overseas tourist maps is in production. They are:

- Ambergris Cay, Belize
- Cayman Islands
- Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanzania
- Mt. Kenya, Kenya
- Mahé, Seychelles
- Praslin, Seychelles
- St. Lucia

The Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland is also digitizing its 1:50,000 by 1978. It will be based on 1:25,000, 1:10,000, and 1:50,000 contour intervals. Some names on the postcodes, etc., in the 1:25,000, etc., will be associated with the territory; the remainder will not.

The Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland is making a cultural map of Northern Ireland in full color. This map will show, from coast to coast, the main roads, main towns, etc. The map has been produced for the purpose of briefing before the border, the land in Northern Ireland (which is also shown), and there is a bilingual version.

Research is now proceeding on the names contained in the 1:50,000 series. This research is claimed to be conducted in great secrecy, Belfast.