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Letter dated 21 September 1967 addressed to the  
Chairman of the United Nations Conference on  
the Standardization of Geographical Names

by the Delegations of the Republic of France, the Federal Republic  
of Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States of America

The attached letter from the Heads of the Delegations of the Republic of France, the Federal Republic of Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States of America, addressed to the Chairman of the United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, is circulated to the representatives attending the Conference in accordance with the request to that effect contained in the letter.

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To the  
Chairman of the  
United Nations Conference on the  
Standardization of Geographical Names  
Geneva

Mr. Chairman,

Under cover of his letter of September 14, 1967, distributed by the United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names under Doc. E/CONF.53/L.81, the Head of the Delegation of the Hungarian People's Republic to the United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names requested the circulation as an official document of the Conference of a letter and a report dated August 28, 1967, from the authorities of Eastern Germany. This letter implies that there exists a state or a government other than that of the Federal Republic of Germany entitled to speak as the representative of the German people in international affairs.

This is not the case. The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany is the sole German government freely and lawfully elected and, therefore, authorized to speak in the name of Germany as representative of the German people in international affairs.

We should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the Conference.

Yours sincerely,

(signed)

(François Nédélec)  
Head of the Delegation of the Republic of  
France

(signed)

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of Germany

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Head of the Delegation of the United Kingdom

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