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Report from the International Cartographic Association

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Report from the International Cartographic Association 1998-2000

Toponymic activities undertaken by the International Cartographic Association (ICA) 1998-2000

The following toponymical activities took place in conjunction with the ICA International Cartographic Conference held in Ottawa, August 16-20, 1999:

- a Geographical Names Workshop was held prior to the conference, and organised by the host country. It will be commented upon in WP.26
- There was a presentation of the Canadian Geographical names data Base, which will be commented upon in WP.27
- There was a small but excellent exhibition on the work on Geographical names in Canada

The following toponymical activities are planned in conjunction with future ICA International Cartographical Conferences:

- A special session on toponymy at the 2001 Beijing International Cartographical Conference is still being considered
- There certainly will be a session on toponymy during the 2003 Durban International Cartographical Conference
- In February 2000 In Budapest the ICA Commission on Education and training will have its first meeting where the new web course programme on cartography will be discussed. A Toponymy course, which can also be accessed separately, will be part of this cartography course programme.