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105. The Committee considered a report of the Secretary-General on the standardization of geographical names (E/4812) and agreed that the periodicity of future conferences should be considered at a later date in the light both of the results of the second conference on the subject, proposed for 1972, and of other developments.

106. One delegation is of the opinion that in view of limited resources available to the United Nations and of pressing needs in other more important fields of activity, no human or financial United Nations resources should be utilized for the purposes of standardization of geographical names. This delegation did not believe that an international conference on this subject was necessary.

Standardizations of geographical names

(Item 11)

At its 1676th meeting, on 13 May 1970, the Council took note of the report of the Secretary-General on the results of the second session of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Geographical Names⁴⁹ and endorsed his recommendations regarding the convening of a second United Nations conference on the standardization of geographical names, bearing in mind the comments of the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination70 and the statements of administrative and financial implications⁷¹ of such a conference.