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OF GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES SINCE THE FOURTH CONFERENCE

Report by the Republic of Cuba

Paper submitted by Cuba
The report contains a brief geographical description of the Republic of Cuba and the most common formative elements in Cuban toponymy: flora and land-occupancy.

A concise account is given of the main tasks carried out by the National Committee on Geographical Names and by the Technical Advisory Groups on Geographical Names working under the provincial governments and the municipal government of the Isla de la Juventud, during the period 1982-1987. Among those tasks were: the drafting and publication of technical, methodological and standardization documentation for carrying out the toponymic standardization work in the country; the organization of seminars and scientific events with specialists from various disciplines connected with geographical names, including university teachers and students and journalists; the conclusion of the maritime coastal survey of Cuba for determining the names of maritime coastal features; the standardization of the names of the main relief features of the country; the standardization of the names of population centres with post offices; and the completion of the list of names of countries and their capitals.