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Geographical terminology of the toponymy of Quebec**

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SUMMARY

In accordance with recommendation 19 A adopted at the 1967 Geneva Conference, Quebec's Commission de toponymie conducted terminological research enabling it to establish definitions for all of the terms identifying the types of geographical entities appearing in the Répertoire toponymique du Québec.

The normative approach permitted under the act establishing it gave the Commission an opportunity to prepare a coherent glossary which we hope will prove a useful tool in the management of toponymic data. This work, which constitutes one section of the Répertoire toponymique du Québec, is also available in an independent version in a publication entitled Terminologie géographique de la toponymie québécoise.

This specific step, like others relating to geographical terminology, is part of a Commission policy which takes into account the geographical, socio-linguistic, political and administrative context in which the toponymy of Quebec is developing. A summary of this policy appears in the annex.
