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ON THE STANDARDIZATION OF
GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES
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Item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the Conference.
- 2. Election of the President of the Conference.
- Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the rules of procedure;
 - (b) Adoption of the agenda;
 - (c) Election of officers other than the President;
 - (d) Organization of work;
 - (e) Credentials of representatives to the Conference.
- 4. Reports by divisions and Governments on the situation in their regions and countries and on progress in the standardization of geographical names since the Fourth Conference.
- 5. National standardization:
 - (a) Field collection of names;
 - (b) Office treatment of names;
 - (c) Treatment of names in multilingual areas;
 - (d) Administrative structure of national names authorities;
 - (e) Toponymic guidelines for map and other editors.

- 6. Toponymic data files:
 - (a) Data collection procedures;
 - (b) Data elements required;
 - (c) Automatic data processing (ADP) systems;
 - (d) Compatibility and structure of systems;
 - (e) National gazetteers;
 - (f) Other publications.
- 7. Terminology in the standardization of geographical names.
- 8. Measures taken and proposed to implement United Nations resolutions on the standardization of geographical names.
- 9. Exonyms:
 - (a) Categories and degree of use of exonyms;
 - (b) Principles in reducing exonyms;
 - (c) Provisional list of exonyms.
- 10. Features beyond a single sovereignty:
 - (a) Policies, procedures and co-operative arrangements;
 - (b) Features common to two or more nations;
 - (c) Maritime features;
 - (d) Undersea features;
 - (e) Extraterrestrial features.
- 11. Writing systems and guides to pronunciation:
 - (a) Romanization;
 - (b) Conversion into non-Roman writing systems;
 - (c) Writing of names in unwritten languages;
 - (d) Research and experiments in assisting in name pronunciation.

- 12. Toponymic education and practice and international co-operation:
 - (a) Existing education and practice;
 - (b) Training courses in toponymy;
 - (c) Exchange of advice and information;
 - (d) Exchange of personnel;
 - (e) Technical assistance;
 - (f) Co-operation with international organizations;
 - (g) Co-operation with public information media.
- 13. Meetings and conferences:
 - (a) United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names;
 - (b) Divisional and interdivisional meetings and programmes;
 - (c) National names meetings, conferences and symposia;
 - (d) International names meetings, conferences and symposia.
- 14. Economic and social benefits of national and international standardization of geographical names.
- 15. Adoption of the report of the Conference.
- 16. Closing of the Conference.