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AND ON THE PROGRESS MADE IN THE STANDARDIZATION OF
GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES SINCE THE SEVENTH CONFERENCE

Report of the Islamic Republic of Iran

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In The Name of God

**The Resolutions Adopted By
The Sixth United Nations Regional Meeting
On The Standardization Of Geographical Names
For South-West Asia (Non Arabic)**

22-23 July, 2002

**National Cartographic Center
Tehran, Iran**

The Sixth United Nations Regional Meeting on the Standardization of Geographical Names in South-West Asia was held on 22-23 July, 2002 in National Cartographic Center, Tehran-Iran.

After holding some sessions and negotiations, the members ratified a resolution which its items are as followings:

- 1- By considering the necessity of closer and more rapid contact among the member countries of South-West region of Asia, the member countries proposed the establishment of a permanent Secretariat for the Regional Meetings in Tehran to Pursue the activities pertaining to the standardization of geographical names in the region.
- 2- It was ratified that a newsletter be printed and circulated among the member countries to present and exchange their information pertaining to geographical names through this newsletter.

- 3- The member countries agreed to develop a homepage for their geographical names to promote information exchange related to geographical names.
- 4- One of the ways for information exchange of member countries in geographical names is information exchange through training. So the member countries proposed holding some training courses as a way of exchanging experiences.
- 5- To make the member countries, familiar with the methods of recording, transcribing and naming of geographical names, it was decided that the member countries exchange their methods of transcription.
- 6- To exchange information in geographical names among the member countries, it was decided that regional agreements for standardization of geographical names database especially for data model, character set, transcription and common data fields are made.
- 7- To desirably utilize the information pertaining to geographical names, it was decided that qualitative necessary standards are developed and compiled and be regionally agreed.
- 8- It was decided that the results and ratification of this meeting be presented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the embassies of the member countries in Iran and to the Iranian embassies in the member countries in the region to be submitted to the related organization.
- 1- It was decided that the Seventh Regional Meeting on the Standardization of Geographical Names in 2005 to be hold in Tehran. At the same time , if any of the member countries in the region proposes to hold the meeting and other member countries agree, the meeting will be held in that country.