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Summary***

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile, through the National State Borders and Boundaries Department (DIFROL), submits a paper entitled “Compendium of national boundary toponymy — part one” to the Ninth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names.

Boundary toponymy is established in official documents with the agreement of Argentina, Bolivia and Peru through treaties, protocols, awards, acts, plans and other official documents, including final legal and technical memorandums and the definitive versions of topographic sheets.

The Chilean Boundaries Commission has established joint commissions with the neighbouring countries referred to above in order to work together on maps that show the international boundary and also a strip of territory approximately five kilometres wide along each side of the boundary, using all of the toponymy agreed on in the documents referred to above.

The purpose of this paper is to provide a list of existing official toponyms in Chilean territory adjacent to the international boundary with Argentina. While the border between Chile and Argentina has been subdivided into 15 sections by the Joint Commission on Boundaries. Information is provided for the first 8 sections only, as the definitive legal and technical memorandums and the topographic sheets for these sections have been published.

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*** The full text of the paper is being issued in Spanish only as document E/CONF.98/60/Add.1.



The paper contains a list of toponyms in the national territory for sections I to VIII of the border between Chile and Argentina. The cartography for the remaining sections of the international border with Argentina (IX to XV) is still under preparation.

Future publications will contain the lists of official Chilean toponyms for the border areas adjacent to the international boundary with Bolivia and Peru.
