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Summary***

Geographical names have been important for Mongolia, a country with a nomadic culture and a territory of 1,560,000 square kilometres, as they were a vital reference for the people when they moved from one place to another and for their daily communication.

Our greatest attainment is represented by the fact that Mongolian geographical names are now under the auspices of the President of Mongolia and the order was given to draw proper attention to and take measures regarding those names. Also, the establishment of the Geographical Names Board under the Parliament is in process. The Administration of Land Affairs and Geodesy and Cartography has organized three training sessions on standardizing geographical names among local land agencies.

The local administrations and land agencies were invited to advise on collecting data on historical geographical names.

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