

## 1. WHAT ARE EXONYMS?

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Geographical names used in a certain language for

**geographical entities situated outside the area  
where that language has official status**

and

**differing in its form from the name used in the official language of the area where the  
geographical entity is situated. (2nd UNCSGN1972).**

**What kind of objects generates exonyms?**

- Objects in areas close to linguistic borders,
- Important objects further from linguistic border (names of countries, capitals, large rivers).

Have a look at [Glossary of Terminology \(pdf\)](#), too!

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