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Report of the Dutch- and German-speaking Division

Summary**

The Dutch- and German-speaking Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names consists of experts from Austria, Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands, South Africa, Suriname and Switzerland.

The full report contains an overview of the activities undertaken in relation to geographical names by the Division, as well as joint activities by its members and the countries represented by them, in the period since the 2019 session of the Group of Experts, in response to the resolutions adopted at the various United Nations Conferences on the Standardization of Geographical Names. It also contains references to general developments concerning geographical names policy, collection and standardization in the participating countries over the same period, the details of which are discussed in the respective national reports submitted under item 4 (a) of the provisional agenda. The activities and achievements are reported under the headings of the relevant resolutions.

^{**} The full report was prepared by the Chair of the Dutch- and German-speaking Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, Tjeerd Tichelaar, on the basis of contributions from members of the Division. It will be available under document symbol GEGN.2/2021/27/CRP.27, in the language of submission only, at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/2nd session 2021/.





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