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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives of Member States and to the Permanent Observers of Non-Member States to the United Nations and has the honour to inform them that, in accordance with Economic and Social Council decision resolution E/RES/2018/2 of 10 November 2017 and decision 2018/208, the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will hold its second session in an informal virtual format, from 3 to 7 May 2021.

The provisional agenda for the 2021 session has been issued in document GEGN.2/2021/1.

The Secretary-General would be grateful if the Permanent Representatives of Member States and the Permanent Observers of Non-Member States would inform him of the names of the members of the delegation of their Government who will attend the session, by registering the composition of their delegations in the e-deleGATE portal (under ECOSOC/ United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names).

Additionally, e-deleGATE Admins/Focal Points in the Permanent Missions are requested to register their participants for the session in the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names module of the e-deleGATE portal, with the "Temporary delegate" account, so they could receive Secretariat's messages, circulated through the portal.

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