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(The following is the intervention made by Hiroshi Tanabe during the discussion of agenda item 11, submitted in a written form for your information)

I appreciate the proposal of the Working Group to introduce a new term "macronym". Due to the nature of features described by macronyms, it could be said that macronyms fall into the third category for place names that can neither be classified into Exonym nor into Endonym. Some macronyms were named before endonym or exonym were born. Already in the Working Group of Exonyms, professors Kadmon, Matthews and Tanabe amongst others have insisted on the necessity of a third category, for example "precedent toponym".

We recognize that macronym applies to features not only larger than choronym but also precedes its origin. We hope that the definition of this term will be more elaborated.

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