Dear distinguished delegates and fellow participants of the 3rd Session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names. It is my honour and privilege to present the report of my country, Malaysia, on the activities and progress made in geographical naming from 2021 until 2022. I am delighted to have the opportunity to share with you some important updates and summaries of activities related to geographical naming in Malaysia.

As we gather here today, I believe that we all share a common interest and passion for the importance of geographical naming and the significance it holds in promoting mutual understanding and cooperation among nations. With that in mind, I am excited to engage in meaningful discussions and learn from the experiences and insights of the experts gathered here today.

Malaysia National Geographical Names Committee (JKNG) has been actively participating in regional and international forums, particularly with the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN), to ensure the standardisation and accuracy of geographical names in the country.

Our efforts have led to the successful updating of the Geographical Name Database and the ongoing coordination of island and marine geographical entity names. Through education and verification, we strive to maintain the significance and standards of geographical naming.

I would like invite you to join me in reviewing the highlights of our report and the steps we have taken to contribute to the development of our country’s comprehensive and efficient database for geographical names.