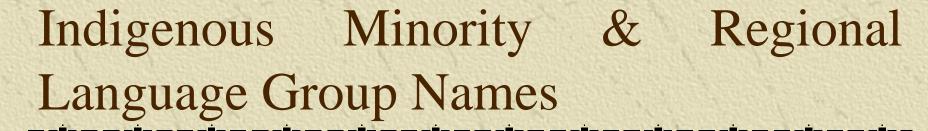
### **UNGEGN** Training May 2009

Indigenous Minority & Regional Language Group Names

All heritage is important.

- \*\*Place names are an integral part of the heritage of a people they help us to define who we are as a culture and where we belong.
- \*Many people are now staring to return to their names of places often after centuries of different usage Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Maori

- \* Indigenous Name
  - Names derived to the original inhabitants of an area
    - Australian Aborigines
    - New Zealand Maori
    - Saami People in Finland, Norway & Sweden
- Minority Language Group
  - Names related to a distinct language group in a country with a different language often caused by national border alterations or group migration
    - Sorbian people in Germany
    - Swedish speaking minorities in Norway
- \* Regional Language Group
  - Names representing separate language grouping with a specific nation
    - South Africa ??? Official languages
    - Indonesia 1 official language but many other languages spoken



- \* Two Questions:
  - Do any of the situations mentioned above exist in my country?
  - If so, do we want to record the names?

A number of issues relate to this type of work:

- \*\* Relationship trust or suspicion
- \* Written form of language
- **\*** Collection procedures
- \* Recording protocols
- # How to use

- ★ Relationship trust or suspicion
  - How effective an effort to record place names in any of the above categories is dependant on the relationship you have or can develop with the relevant community
  - Some ideas that can help establish / enhance a relationship
    - Develop and sell the vision why are you doping this
    - Appropriate legislation / processes/ policies that are well documented and well known.
    - Recognition of a desire by communities to be respected and involved in the decision making process associated with their names.
    - Respect the cultural parameters of the relevant community
    - Be willing to spend the time to develop a trusting relationship.
    - Do not step outside your procedure or policy without consultation / authorisation

- \* Written form of language.
  - Is there a written for of the language that is in use by or acceptable to the community?
    - If so, this should be used
    - If not, one needs to be developed that will provide an accurate pronunciation of the names possible. This should be done in consultation with and with approval from the community.

#### **\*** Collection procedures

- Collection procedure should be case specific to the situation evident in each project.
- Methods used are broadly:
  - Field collection
  - In-office collection methods GIS proving a valuable tool in this process
  - Previously gathered information maps, journals, academic efforts
- Knowledge / Skills required
  - Community members who are identified by the community as being able to peak with authority for the area involved.
  - Person(s) literate in the relevant language
  - Mapping skills

- \*\* Recording protocols:
  - Is there a need for payment to community members in some situations?
  - How do you obtain community support / authorisation for the release of the names into the public domain?
  - Should some names and associated information remain secret?

- \* How to use?
  - Recorder names can be used in the following manner:
    - Part of the general geographical nomenclature
      - Shown on signs, maps, statistical records, addresses
      - Can be stand alone or dual named with other places Uluru / Ayres Rock
    - Restricted to the relevant community use only.
    - A mix of both of the above.
  - Once recorded, place names can then form part of the lasting heritage and, together with associated information, be a record for all to use in the future.

\* The South East Asia South West Pacific Division has for a number of years produce a Regional Gazetteer and Map

- Purpose is to show the endonyms used by for the places in the countries
- First edition published in early 1980's
- Initially as printed versions only therefore limited in contents.
- New edition is a GIS based production creating a database that populates both the gazetteer and two versions of the map – PDF and ArcReader



- \* Purpose of the Gazetteer and Map is
  - Educative to teach to others the names of places as used by local inhabitants.
  - Vital in the case of emergency response to major disaster famine, flood etc.

#### **Decisions:**

- \* Commitment to be involved from division members.
- \* What information to show.
- \* Who is going to take a lead role(s)
- \* Who is going to do which part of the work.
- \* What update method / schedule is required.
- \* Distribution methods.

#### **Asia South East Pacific South West Method:**

- \*New Zealand offered to compile the new gazetteer.
- \*Decision to show only a limited number of data fields.
- \*Excel spreadsheet developed s a data input form.

#### Regional Gazetteer and Map Input Spreadsheet

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#### Asia South East Pacific South West Method (cont)

- \*\* Contributing countries sent in the data deemed to be appropriate from the relevant jurisdiction.
- \*Australia offered to create a mapping products from the data.
- \* As the project developed it was decided to combine both aspects into a single project in this manner.

Spreadsheets received from countries

Append to a geodatabase

Use as a point dataset in a GIS mapping program, then label points using the name

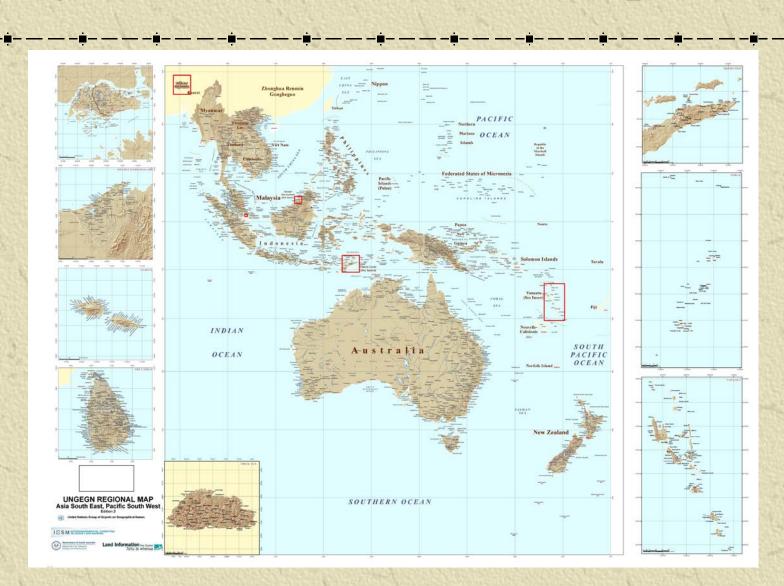
- \* Two products.
  - Gazetteer produced as three documents
    - 1. Complete list of all names in Alphabetical order.
    - 2. Grouped by countries, then sorted in alphabetical order.
    - 3. A single document containing both of the above.
  - Map
    - A searchable PDF, which can be printed at A0 size.
    - An ArcReader output can be supplied as either:
      - Packages data to provide security for the data.
      - Unpackaged data that will allow a client to use the data in their own Geographic Information System

#### Gazetteer - Alphabetical

Name	Feature type	Country	Province/ region/district	Lat	Long	Name on PDF map
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Adelaide River	URBN	Australia	Northern Territory	-13.2378	131.10473	
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#### Gazetteer - Grouped

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jana	LOCB	Australia	Western Australia	-27.94889	114.63472	
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Albatross Bay	BAY	Australia	Queensland	-12.71544	141.66334	
lberga River	STRM	Australia	South Australia	-27.10455	135.53498	
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lice River	STRM	Australia	Queensland	-15.36667	141.96667	
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- Possible improvements
  - Continue to clean up the data
  - Invite additional names form participating countries
  - Produces as a KML output for use with Google Maps etc.
  - Invite additional internal topography roads, rivers, railways etc.
  - Find a suitable bathymetric representation to improve the visual appearance.