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1. INTRODUCTION

Due to to the Eighth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names in Berlin, Germany, 27 August - 5 September 2002 . these a progress report of Thailand during 2002 - 2004.

2. THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

During the reporting period, the National Committee on Geographical Names has approved 318 geographical names proposed by the National Sub-Committee on Geographical Names Standardization. These names have already approved by RTSD for distribution.

3. THE NATIONAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON GEOGRAPHICAL NAME STANDARDIZATION

The members of the sub-committee increased from 16 to 21 including representatives from the related government agencies and experts. During the reporting period, the sub-committee had investigated and determined 61 geographical names including 40 mountains, 1 border passes, 15 water resources, 3 island and 2 names of tambon (sub-district). The determined names have been approved by the National Committee on Geographical Names as stated in item 2.

4. THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON TOPONYMIC GUIDELINES FOR MAP EDITORS AND OTHER EDITORS

The Sub-Committee on Toponymic Guidelines for Map Editors and other Editors of which the members increased from 11 to 12 had presented the Toponymic Guidelines for map editors and other editors of Thailand to be submitted to The eighth United Nations conference on the Standardization Geographical Names Berlin, Germany 2002 .

5. THAI GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES GAZETTEER

5.1 As reported at the Eighteenth Session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names in 2002, the gazetteer from 180 of 830 (digital topographical line maps of Thailand L 7018) map sheets had been completed. At the reporting period, geographical names from 406 map sheets were entered into the name data base.

5.2 Gazetteers Produced by the Royal Institute

At the reporting period, the work on geographical names revision was completed . The fourth edition of Thai geographical names gazetteer comprises 5 volumes. The volume one and two were published in 2002 and 2004 respectively.

6. As requested by the National Committee for Geographical Names of New Zealand , Royal Thai Survey Department reviewed Geographical Names of Thailand for updating of regional maps of Southeast Asia and the Pacific by the committee.

At this meeting ,Thai delegation has brought the data of Thailand' s administrative divisions including provinces and districts with their coordinates