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**Reports by Governments on the situation in their
countries and on the progress made in the standardization
of geographical names****Standardization of Geographical Names in Japan****Summary****

In Japan, geographical names are collected, arranged, and standardized by relevant governmental agencies as they promote their administrative activities. Consequently, the standardization of geographical names is a well-coordinated effort involving various related organizations that have clearly defined tasks. Efforts towards standardization include the following:

- Standardization of geographical names of administrative districts
- Consolidation of geographical names of natural features
- Standardization of geographical names of undersea features
- Adoption of Antarctic geographical names
- National geographical names gazetteer

* [GEGN.2/2019/1](#).

** The full report was prepared by the Geospatial Information Authority of Japan. The report will be available at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEKN/1st_session_UNGEKN.html, in the language of submission only, as document [GEGN.2/2019/23/CRP.23](#).

