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**Cooperation and liaison with other organizations: Economic
Commission for Africa and Committee of Experts on Global
Geospatial Information Management****Report of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial
Information Management****Summary****

The full report prepared by the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management covers its activities that are relevant to the work of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names. The Group of Experts is invited to review the report and express its views on the efforts to strengthen collaboration in furthering the standardization of geographical names.

At its eighth session, held from 1 to 3 August 2018, the Committee of Experts welcomed the report of the Group of Experts ([E/C.20/2018/17](#)) and commended the efforts of the Group of Experts to develop a mutually beneficial relationship with the Committee and identify items for collaborative work. The Committee of Experts also encouraged further collaboration, and in that context welcomed the proposal to create a liaison group tasked with defining operational working relations and coordinating future collaborative work.

The report provides a summary of relevant activities conducted since the eighth session of the Committee of Experts, in particular, the work being carried out by the Working Group on Global Fundamental Geospatial Data Themes; an overview of the activities of its regional committees; and expert and working groups that are relevant to the standardization of geographical names; and efforts to further collaboration between the Bureau of the Committee of Experts and the Bureau of the Group of Experts, through the creation of a liaison group.

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

** The full report was prepared by the secretariat of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names. The report will be available at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/1st_session_UNGEGN.html, in the language of submission only, as document GEGN.2/2019/47/CRP.47.

