

23 April 2021

**Subject:** <u>United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN) 2021 Session</u> Excellency,

Reference is made to my letter dated 20 April 2021 placing the draft proposals for consideration by the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names at its 2021 session under silence procedure until 3 p.m. on 23 April 2021, in accordance with ECOSOC decision 2021/213 of 24 February 2021, entitled "Procedure for taking decisions of the sessional bodies and subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic at the 2021 session of the Council".

It is my pleasure to inform you that the silence procedure has concluded without objection on the following:

- i. adoption of the Annotated Provisional Agenda contained in document GEGN.2/2021/1/Rev.1,
- ii. adoption of the organization of work contained in document GEGN.2/2021/3 and;
- iii. approval of the entities listed in document GEGN.2/2021/CRP.133 to participate in the session as observers.

Accordingly, the above-referred draft proposals are considered adopted by the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names at its 2021 session, and are in effect from 3:01 p.m., Friday, 23 April 2021.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express my solidarity with Member States who are fighting COVID-19 and extend my sincere condolences for their loss.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Pierre Jaillard (Mr.)

Chair

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