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Summary**

The Arabic Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names consists of Arab experts on geographical names assigned by their countries to collect, verify standardize and set forth place names in the following 22 Arab countries: Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, State of Palestine, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

The full report presents the joint activities of the members of the Arab Division related to geographical names as well their activities undertaken in their countries and carried out by the relevant authorities in those countries, in order to strengthen relationships and links among Arab countries and at the local level within those countries, in fulfilment of strategy 2 of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names strategic plan and programme of work 2021–2029.

The report is prepared in accordance with the strategic plan and programme of work and in response to the resolutions adopted at the various United Nations Conferences on the Standardization of Geographical Names.

The report covers the topics of training and education for capacity-building; meetings held by the Division at various levels; publicity and dissemination; and the updating of the Arabic Division website.

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