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Collaboration with the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (for discussion and decision)

<i>Statement provided by:</i> Africa Regional Committee of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information (UN-GGIM: Africa)	
<i>Statement:</i>	
<p>1. UN-GGIM: Africa takes note of the report of the Group of Experts on Geographical Names and fully supports the suggestion for more synergies and opportunities for collaboration and learning between UNGEGN and UN-GGIM.</p> <p>2. The Africa Region recognizes that there was little progress made on the activities related to geographic names in the continent. For instance, progress has been slow in the re-design and development of the new interface to enhance the current version of the GeoNyms system, the Africa Gazetteer project to produce a ubiquitous application for the capturing and validating of geographical names nationally.</p> <p>3. UN-GGIM: Africa would like to invite partners and interested parties to join the efforts in developing a strategic guidance on how to revamp the Africa Gazetteer project and reinvigorate the related activities of capacity and advocacy.</p>	
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