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PCGN Meeting Minutes, Monday 21st November 2022
Royal Geographical Society, London

Present

PCGN Staff

Defence Geographic Centre (DGC)

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO)

BBC Monitoring (BBCM)

Ordnance Survey (OS)

United Kingdom Hydrographic Office (UKHO)

Apologies for absence: Royal Scottish Geographical Society and Defence Language Service.

1. Head PCGN welcomed the Committee members.
2. The Minutes of the 207th meeting were considered and action items discussed.
3. Head PCGN briefly described highlights of the work completed by the PCGN staff since the last meeting.
4. BGN and PCGN had held a second virtual meeting in September 2021. Policy papers covering a wide range of subjects had been prepared and discussed. Arrangements for the next in-person BGN/PCGN Conference for autumn 2023 were currently being discussed.
5. PCGN described their work with the ISO 3166 standard on country and subdivision codes, and on ISO's Working Group on Conversion of Written Languages.
6. The third new-style Session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN) would be held in May 2023 in New York.
7. UKHO gave an update on their plans to move from paper and digital charting to digital only navigation products and services.
8. FCDO reported that the three-year update of FCDO briefing maps was nearly complete. Updated FCDO Travel Advice pages would be created in the coming months; the names should continue to reflect PCGN advice.
9. BBCM reported on some of the recent names decisions by BBC News policy.

10. DGC described their work updating various map products, including Briefing Maps and Country Managed Datasets.
11. OS described their recent work with UN-GGIM.
12. PCGN provided an update on recent work on the BGN/PCGN Romanization System collection. PCGN introduced the latest BGN/PCGN Romanization System for Neo-Tifinagh. All the latest systems were available on the [PCGN website](#).
13. PCGN had recently produced 18 new Toponymic Factfiles and updated several others. The Factfiles were available on [PCGN's website](#).
14. There was nothing to report under Any Other Business.
15. Head PCGN thanked the Committee members for the participation and closed the meeting.