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List of Country Names

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In 2006 the Head Office of Geodesy and Cartography published a list *Country Names*. 191 countries, members of the United Nations Organization and Vatican City, were placed on that list. The correct spelling of the names is given as that recommended for general use by the Commission for Standardization of Geographical Names Outside Poland. The names contained in the list are recommended for use in texts written and spoken in the Polish language, particularly on maps, in encyclopaedias, tourist guidebooks, handbooks, in the press, radio and television. This publication takes into account resolutions approved up to 26 October 2005.

The official names of countries given in the list were consulted with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, an official of which is a Commission member. Only in exceptional cases do the forms recommended by the Commission: *Zwiazek Birmanski*, *Republika Macedonii*, *Republika Moldawii*, *Republika Wybrzeze Kosci Sloniowej* differ from those used in official texts: *Zwiazek Myanmar* (*Union of Myanmar*), *Byla Jugoslowianska Republika Macedonii* (*the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*), *Republika Moldowy* (*Republic of Moldova*), *Republika Cote d'Ivoire* (*Republic of Côte d'Ivoire*).

All entries concerning countries are elaborated according to one layout:

Finlandia

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<i>Jezyk – language</i>	nazwa krótka – short name	nazwa oficjalna – formal name
<i>polski – Polish</i>	Finlandia	Republika Finlandii
<i>finski – Finnish</i>	Suomi	Suomen tasavalta
<i>szwedzki – Swedish</i>	Finland	Republiken Finland

The short name in Polish of the country is shown on the left-hand side of the heading of each entry. The two-letter ISO code of a given country (according to standard ISO 3166-1 alpha-2) is shown on the right-hand side of the heading. Each entry contains the following items:

- country short name in Polish
- country formal (official) name in Polish
- names of official languages
- country short name in official languages
- country formal (official) name in official languages

Names in official languages are arranged in alphabetical order according with Polish names for these languages.

In the case of official languages which do not use the Roman alphabet, country names are given in Romanized form, the employed principles of Romanization being given under each entry.

When more than one form of a short country name or formal name exists in a given language, such names are separated by semicolon.

When no short country name exists or the formal country name is the short name, the both names, short and long are given as the same names.

The interrogation mark “?” is used to show that a form of name in the given language is unknown.

The list of country names is preceded by a Polish-English glossary of short forms of country names. The English names are given in the forms used by the United Nations

Organization and also, in brackets, the forms used by other international organizations or individual countries.

The list *Country Names* is given on the Internet page of the Head Office of Geodesy and Cartography concerning the work of the Commission for Standardization of Geographical Names Outside Poland affiliated to the Surveyor General of Poland www.gugik.gov.pl/komisja/

The Commission's Internet page is also given in an English version.

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