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### PURPOSE OF THIS BULLETIN

Changes in the political geography of various parts of the world necessitate a publication that provides the latest information on the names of countries, administrative divisions and other significant geographic features. The U.S. Board on Geographic Names (US BGN) publishes the *Foreign Names Information Bulletin* to fill this need. The US BGN Foreign Names Committee Staff at the National Imagery and Mapping Agency prepares and issues the Bulletin on a quarterly basis.

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- The four-character Federal Information Processing Standard 10 (FIPS 10 "Countries, Dependencies, Areas of Special Sovereignty, and their Principal Administrative Divisions") code follows entries for country names and names of first-order administrative divisions. The code in the Former Name column is the heretofore-active code for the entity; FIPS 10 code changes are reflected in the New Name column.

## DESIGNATION CODES AND DESIGNATIONS

ADM1	first-order administrative division (for example, a province)
ADMD	administrative division
PCL	political entity
PCLI	independent political entity
PPLA	seat of a first-order administrative division

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<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
1. <b><u>AZERBAIJAN</u></b>	
<b>Azerbaijan</b> [conventional short form]; Azerbaijani Republic [conventional long form]; <b>Azərbaycan</b> Respublikası [Azerbaijani]; PCLI 40°30'N 46°30'E	<b>Azerbaijan</b> , Republic of [conventional]; <b>Azərbaycan</b> Respublikası [Azerbaijani]; PCLI 40°30'N 46°30'E
2. <b><u>ETHIOPIA</u></b>	
None	<b>Ādīs Ābeba</b> Āstedader: ADM1 9°00'N 40°30'E (ET44)
<b>Ādīs Ābeba</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 9°10'N 38°30'E (ET15)	Delete
None	<b>Āfar</b> Kilil: ADM1 12°00'N 41°30'E (ET45)
None	<b>Āmara</b> Kilil: ADM1 11°30'N 38°30'E (ET46)
<b>Ārsī</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 7°30'N 39°30'E (ET01)	Delete
<b>Āsosa</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 10°00'N 34°30'E (ET17)	Delete
<b>Balē</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 6°45'N 40°40'E (ET38)	Delete
None	<b>Bīnshangul Gumuz</b> Kilil: ADM1 11°00'N 35°30'E (ET47)
<b>Borena</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 4°25'N 39°15'E (ET18)	Delete
<b>Debub Gonder</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 11°45'N 38°00'E (ET19)	Delete

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
<b>ETHIOPIA</b> (cont.)	
<b>Debub Shewa</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 7°10'N 5°15'E (ET20)	Delete
<b>Debub Welo</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 11°00'N 39°30'E (ET21)	Delete
None	<b>Dirē Dawa</b> Āstedader: ADM1 9°30'N 42°00'E (ET48)
<b>Dirē Dawa</b> Rasgez Ākababī: ADM1 10°15'N 42°10'E (ET22)	Delete
<b>Gambēla</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 8°00'N 34°40'E (ET23)	Delete
None	<b>Gambēla Hizboch</b> Kilil: ADM1 7°50'N 34°30'E (ET49)
<b>Gamo Gofa</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 5°30'N 36°40'E (ET39)	Delete
None	<b>Hārerī Hizb</b> Kilil: ADM1 9°15'N 42°10'E (ET50)
<b>Īlubabor</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 8°00'N 36°25'E (ET40)	Delete
<b>Kefa</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 6°40'N 35°45'E (ET41)	Delete
<b>Metekel</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 11°00'N 36°00'E (ET24)	Delete
<b>Mirab Gojam</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 11°00'N 37°00'E (ET25)	Delete
<b>Mirab Hāreṛgē</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 9°00'N 41°00'E (ET26)	Delete

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
<b>ETHIOPIA</b> (cont.)	
<b>Mirab Shewa</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 9°00'N 37°50'E (ET27)	Delete
<b>Misrak Gojam</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 10°30'N 38°00'E (ET28)	Delete
<b>Misrak Hāregerē</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 8°30'N 43°00'E (ET29)	Delete
<b>Nazrēt</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 8°50'N 39°20'E (ET30)	Delete
<b>Ogadēn</b> Rasgez Ākababī: ADM1 6°00'N 44°00'E (ET31)	Delete
<b>Omo</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 5°30'N 36°40'E (ET32)	Delete
None	<b>Oromiya</b> Kilil: ADM1 8°00'N 39°00'E (ET51)
<b>Semēn Gonder</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 13°00'N 37°00'E (ET33)	Delete
<b>Semēn Shewa</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 9°45'N 39°25'E (ET34)	Delete
<b>Semēn Welo</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 12°00'N 39°45'E (ET35)	Delete
<b>Sīdamo</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 6°15'N 38°40'E (ET42)	Delete
None	<b>Sumalē</b> Kilil: ADM1 7°00'N 44°00'E (ET52)
None	<b>Tigray</b> Kilil : ADM1 14°10'N 38°50'E (ET53)

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
<b><u>ETHIOPIA</u></b> (cont.)	
<b>Tigray</b> Rasgez Ākababī: ADM1 13°40'N 39°20'E (ET37)	Delete
<b>Welega</b> Āstedader Ākababī: ADM1 9°30'N 36°15'E (ET43)	Delete
None	<b>YeDebub Bihēroch Bihēreseboch na Hizboch</b> Kilil: ADM1 6°15'N 37°00'E (ET54)
3. <b><u>INDIA</u></b>	
Calcutta: PPLA 22°34'N 88°22'E	Kolkata [Bengali]; Calcutta [conventional]: PPLA 22°34'N 88°22'E
4. <b><u>KYRGYZSTAN</u></b>	
None	<b>Batken</b> Oblasty: ADM1 39°50'N 71°00'E (KG09)
<b>Osh</b> Oblasty: ADM1 39°40'N 72°00'E (KG05)	<b>Osh</b> Oblasty: ADM1 40°00'N 73°00'E (KG08)
5. <b><u>LIBYA</u></b>	
<b>Libya</b> [conventional short form]; Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya [conventional long form]; Al Jamāhīrīyah al 'Arabīyah al Lībīyah ash Sha'bīyah al Ishtirākīyah [Arabic]: PCLI 25°00'N 17°00'E	<b>Libya</b> [conventional short form]; Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya [conventional long form]; Al Jamāhīrīyah al 'Arabīyah al Lībīyah ash Sha'bīyah al Ishtirākīyah al 'Uẓmá [Arabic]: PCLI 25°00'N 17°00'E
6. <b><u>SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO</u></b>	
None	<b>Yugoslavia</b> , Federal Republic of [conventional]; Savezna Republika <b>Jugoslavija</b> [Serbocroatian]: PCLI 43°45'N 20°45'E (YI)

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>New Name</i>
<b><u>SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO</u></b> (cont.)	
Crna Gora [Serbocroatian]; Montenegro [conventional]: PCL 42°30'N 19°18'E (MW)	<b>Crna Gora, Republika</b> [Serbocroatian]; Republic of <b>Montenegro</b> [conventional]: ADM1 42°30'N 19°18'E (YI01)
Srbija [Serbocroatian]; Serbia [conventional]: PCL 44°00'N 21°00'E (SR)	<b>Srbija, Republika</b> [Serbocroatian]; Republic of <b>Serbia</b> [conventional]: ADM1 44°00'N 21°00'E (YI02)
<b>Kosovo i Metohija</b> , Autonomna Pokrajina [Serbocroatian]; KOSOVO [conventional]: ADMD 42°35'N 21°00'E (SR01)	<b>Kosovo i Metohija</b> , Autonomna Pokrajina [Serbocroatian]; KOSOVO [conventional]: ADMD 42°35'N 21°00'E (YI02)
<b>Vojvodina</b> , Autonomna Pokrajina: ADMD 45°00'N 20°00'E (SR02)	<b>Vojvodina</b> , Autonomna Pokrajina: ADMD 45°00'N 20°00'E (YI02)