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GUIDANCE ON DEPICTION OF
MACEDONIA, MONTENEGRO, AND SERBIA

The following guidance supercedes paragraph 4 of the guidance bulletin issued April 23, 1992.

1. Macedonia should be depicted as follows:

- a. The boundaries separating Macedonia from Serbia, Bulgaria, Albania, and Greece should be depicted as international boundaries.
- b. The name "Macedonia" should be depicted in the same typeface as that used for an independent state, but in lower case.
- c. An asterisk should follow the name Macedonia keying the reader to the following marginal notation:

"Macedonia has proclaimed independent statehood, but has not been formally recognized as a state by the United States."

2. Serbia and Montenegro should be depicted as follows:

- a. The boundaries separating Serbia and Montenegro from the surrounding states should be depicted as international boundaries. The boundary separating Serbia from Montenegro should be depicted as a former republic boundary.
- b. The names "Serbia" and "Montenegro" should be depicted in a typeface different than that used for independent states or for Macedonia.
- c. An asterisk should follow the names of both Serbia and Montenegro keying the reader to the following marginal notation:

"Serbia and Montenegro have asserted the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized as a state by the United States."

3. The capitals of Macedonia, Serbia, and Montenegro should be shown as republic (first order administrative division) capitals. These capitals are:

Macedonia: Skopje

Montenegro: ~~Titograd~~ *Podgorica*

Serbia: Belgrade

4. Background. The United States view is that the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia has dissolved and that none of the successor states represents its continuation.

Macedonia has proclaimed independent statehood, but has not been formally recognized as a state by the United States. Serbia and Montenegro have asserted the formation of a joint independent state, but this entity has not been formally recognized as a state by the United States.

The United States believes that a prompt resolution of European Community problems with Macedonian recognition will contribute to stability in the Balkans. The United States acknowledges the concerns over recognition of Macedonia expressed by Greece and will continue to facilitate negotiations between Greece and Macedonia to expedite resolution of this matter.

4. Action. Please disseminate this guidance to all personnel in your organization concerned with cartographic production.



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