

Intervention David de SOUSA (Chef de cabinet), rapporteur pour la Commission du patrimoine historique et de la toponymie des Terres australes et antarctiques françaises.

Report given verbally during the SCAGI meeting and text provided later.

In 2020, The Historical Heritage and Toponymy Commission of the French Southern and Antarctic Lands (TAAF) appointed David de Sousa, Principal Private Secretary (in charge of historical heritage, cultural affairs and stamps collecting), as its rapporteur to the French National Commission for Toponymy and to the SCAGI.

In August 2019, French Southern and Antarctic Lands submitted a request for the inclusion of 4 French names validated during the last TAAF Commission in 2016 (CF Italian national report). Now David de Sousa makes the link between the TAAF Commission and the SCAGI, and takes care of the administrative follow-up with the Committee and about toponymy questions.

Some words about a particular cultural event in December. The French Southern and Antarctic Lands, and the French National archives organize on December 14 and 15, in Paris (seat of the National archives), a conference, 2 study days, for the 65th anniversary of the territory.

The geographic and historical scope of this event will cover the territories identified by the August 6th 1955 law: the Islands Kerguelen, Crozet, Saint-Paul et Amsterdam, and the Terre Adélie, with a point of view based on public and private archives. The call for projects of contributions is now closed. SCAGI website will propose a link for more information about this event.

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