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GUIDANCE ON DEPICTION OF ERITREA

1. Eritrea is to be depicted as an independent state.
2. The Ethiopia-Eritrea international boundary is the former Ethiopian provincial boundary of Eritrea.
3. The conventional short-form name as approved by the United States Board on Geographic Names (BGN) is **Eritrea**. The Provisional Government of Eritrea has not yet decided on a long-form name.
4. The national capital of Eritrea is Asmara.

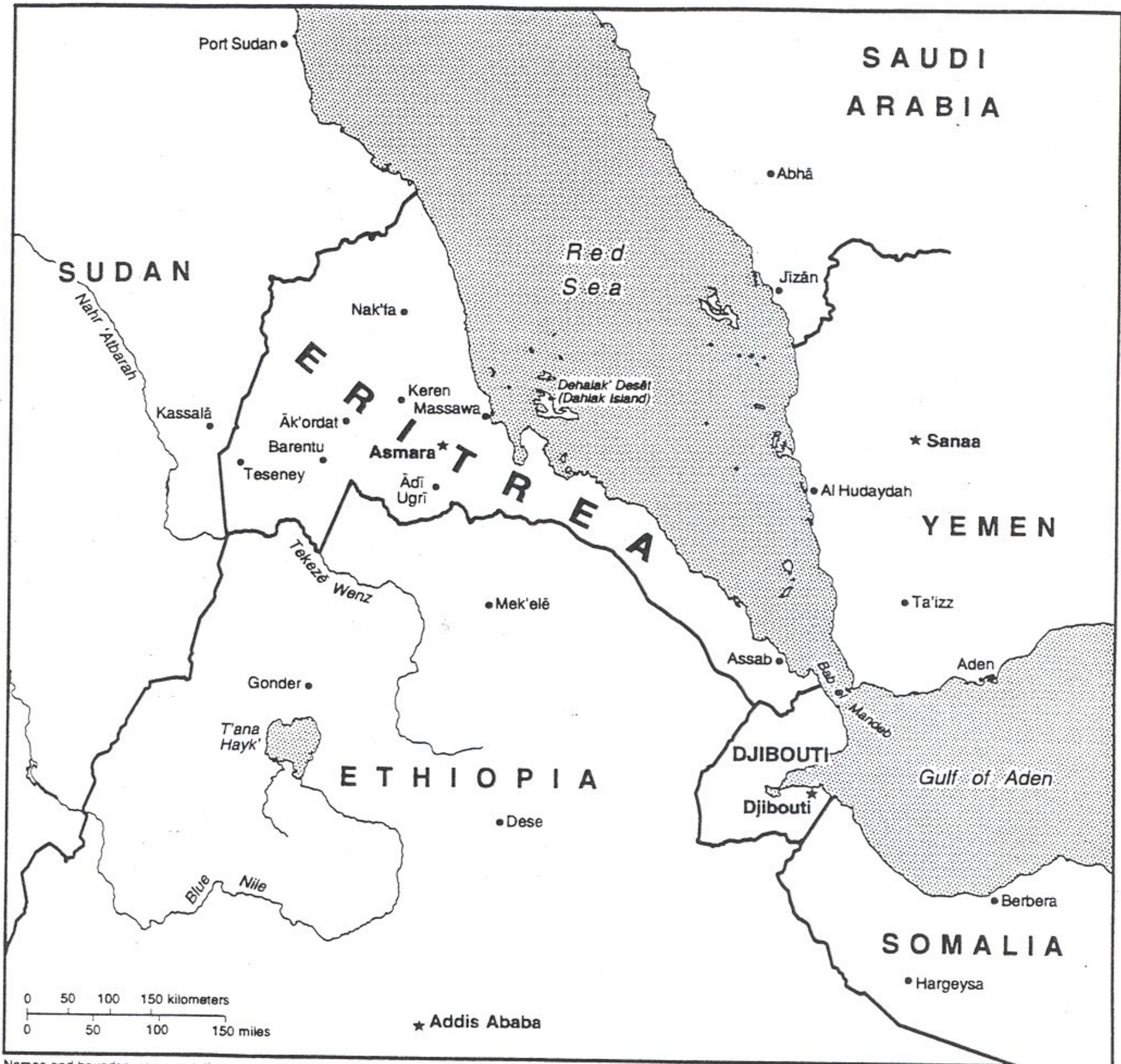
Background. Eritrea announced its independence from Ethiopia on April 27 after its referendum on the question. After this announcement, the United States recognized Eritrea as an independent state. Diplomatic relations with Eritrea have also been established.

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



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Eritrea



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