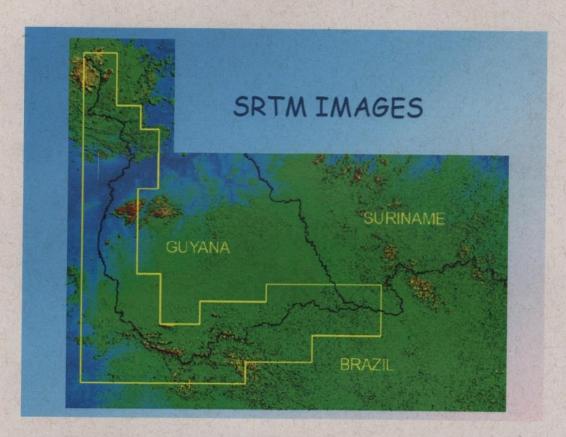
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REPORT: MEETING HELD AT CPRM IN BELÉM, PARÁ, BRAZIL, PROJECT GEOLOGICAL/GEODIVERSITY MAPPING ON THE BRAZIL-GUYANA BORDER



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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT CPRM IN BELÉM DO PARÁ, BRAZIL, ON FEBRUARY 18 – 23, 2011, ON THE 1:1,000,000 GEOLOGICAL/GEODIVERSITY MAPPING ON THE BRAZIL-GUYANA BORDER PROJECT

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In the framework of the Geological Map of South America a meeting was held between representatives of Guyana and Brazil to carry out the ArcGIS training on the job, to improve the knowledge of Guyanese staff in the application of modern techniques for the 1:1,000,000 geological mapping of the Geological / Geodiversity Mapping on the Brazil-Guyana Border Project. A second meeting was held on February 23<sup>rd</sup> between representatives of Guyana and Brazil for the planning of the field work for the geological mapping of the border between Brazil and Guyana.

## 1) Training Course

The CPRM technicians, who presented the course were Luiz Fernando Rezzano Fernandes and Luis Fernando Barbosa de Almeida from the DIGEOP – Rio, and they gave-a very useful and complete training course.

The training started on February 18, 2011, at 9:00 AM, at the main auditorium of the CPRM Pará Office. The Office's Superintendent, Dr. Manfredo Ximenez Ponte, opened the work accentuating the satisfaction with the presence of the Guyanese staff in Brazil. Following, he made a brief speech explaining the importance of the Joint Project, not

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only for the CPRM, but for the Brazilian Government. He explained that, mainly in the last eight years, one of the key actions of the Brazilian Government concerns the bilateral Cooperation Treaties and Projects with several countries around the world.

The main topics taught by the two CPRM technicians are summarized below:

- 1. Introduction to ArcGIS ArcToolBox, ArcCatalog and ArcMap;
- 2. Exploring the Interface of ArcGIS;
- 3. Data Frame and Data Layer;
- 4. Working with ArcMap;

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- 5. Overview of the Toolbars;
- 6. Working with the Shapefile Attribute Table;
- 7. Coordinates and Cartographic Projections and How to Define and Change them in ArcGIS:
- 8. Applying Colors and Symbols to the Legend Entries;
- 9. Working with Multiple Attributes;
- 10. Creating and Editing Shapefiles;
- 11. Using Some Geoprocessing Tools;
- 12. Georreferencing an Image;
- 13. Preparing a Layout for Printing and/or Publishing.

The 5-day training, although based on CPRM basic GIS training, was customized in order to present real examples of the project area. Another concern during the training was to emphasize, at each correspondent subject, all the main points that were applied by the CPRM team in the preparation of the GIS Brazilian Project side of the border. This worry was justified since in the final phase of the Project, the GIS map produced by CPRM and the GIS map that will be produced by the Guyanese technicians will require the junction of the two maps in just one, correcting the features along the joint border line between the two maps.

The Guyanese staff, with this main guidance in mind, showed a prompt response during all the training, considering that in every example given it was stressed how to apply it to the GIS map production. Besides, this customization will allow a standardization of the maps, the Brazilian and the Guyanese, easing the work field that will be carried early by the two teams on the Guyanese side of the border.

The training was closed on 22 February, 2011, at 12:00 AM, in the presence of the CPRM Office Superintendent Dr. Manfredo Ximenez Ponte, and Dr. Maria Telma Lins Faraco, Dr. Evandro Klein and Dr. Lêda Maria Fraga, and the trainers of the course, Luiz Fernando Rezzano Fernandes and Luís Fernando Barbosa de Almeida. Concluding remarks were made by Dr. Manfredo Ximenez Ponte for the CPRM and by Dr Serge Nadeau for the GGMC organizations. Both representants mentioned the importance of this international geological project. The Guyanese representative thanked the CPRM members, ABC and the Government of Brazil for organizing the GIS training course. The members of the Guyanese delegation also indicated that they

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greatly appreciated the training course and the warm hospitality and friendship of the CPRM representatives.

Subsequently, in the afternoon of the same day after the end of the training course, the CPRM geologist Lêda Maria Fraga made a presentation showing a geological overview of the Guiana Shield area. She also presented illustration concerning the country rocks outcropping in the project area. This initiative is very important in the context of the Project, since it represents an integration and equalization of the geological knowledge of both teams.

### 2. Planning meeting

Closing this week of training, on February 22, 2011, a meeting ed9:00 AM and was composed of the Guyanese GGMC staff and the CPRM Coordinators ion of the Project, to plan the joint field work in the Brazil-Guyana mapping project area, that will take place the following month.

However, some technical problems were encountered and related to the flights of the Guyanese representatives and their per diem payments.

- 1) The flights booked by ABC and a Brazilian travel agency should have submitted the flights schedule to the Guyanese as the road selected by ABC and the Brazilian travel agency were not appropriate and complicated as it required to fly to Trinidad and then Suriname to reach Belem. In addition, this road required the Guyanese to sleep one night in Suriname on the way back to Trinidad and to Guyana and taking more than 2 days of travel. If the Brazilian flight company Meta had been selected the flights will have taken about 6 hours and occur on the same day of travel.
- 2) The per diem payment sent by ABC to CPRM Belem was sent late and did not reach Belem on time for the Guyanese to receive and used it while following the training course at CPRM Belem. Because of this delay the per diem will arrive after the Guyanese delegation had completed the training course and had returned to Guyana. Thus the per diem payment will have to be sent to Guyana due to the delay in the per diem to reach CPRM Belem on time.

It is recommended for more effective planning of flight travels and per diem payments of the Brazilian as well as the Guyanese delegations that their representatives being contacted and consulted in advance.

A meeting was also held on February 23<sup>rd</sup> between representatives of Guyana and Brazil for the planning of the field work for the geological mapping of the border between Brazil and Guyana and the Geological / Geodiversity Map of South America at the scale 1:1 000 000.

The team of the CPRM will be composed of four geologists and of a field support group composed of geo-technicians and field workers. Transport will be with three vehicles and of boats.

The team of the GGMC from Guyana will be composed of three geologists and of a field support group composed of three geo-technicians and field workers. Transport will be of one Bedford truck, one pickup, possibly of a minibus or of a second pickup, of two ATV four wheels bike and of one boat.

The main topics discussed and agreed are summarized below:

- 1. The field work will start on March 15th 2011 for a duration of six weeks.
- 2. The GGMC staff of Guyana will be based in Lethem with all their field materials and personnel.
- 3. During the first week of the field work the geologists of Guyana will go on the Brazilian side for four days. Under the guidance of Dra. Fraga and Dr. Reis and the Brazilian geologists they will visit the various geological outcrops previously mapped in the area of the project and from adjacent areas. All these people will be staying together in Bonfim.
- 4. Subsequently, two teams will be made and composed of Brazilian and Guyanese geologists and technicians.
  - 4a. The first team will do field work on the northern side of the project area starting from Lethem and Bonfim toward the north and mapping the geology on both sides of the border in Brazil and Guyana. It is expected that they will spend the remaining weeks to map this northern side of the project area.
  - 4b. The second team will do field work on the southern part of the project area starting from Lethem and Bonfim toward the south and mapping the geology on both sides of the border in Brazil and Guyana.
- 5. The same team mapping the southern part of the project Brazil-Guyana Project area will subsequently return to Lethem and take a plane to fly to the Gunn Strip military base to access the geological outcrops of the area. The team is planning to spend at least one week in this area.
- 6. The CPRM will rent an helicopter to allow the team to do field work in the southern part of the project area.
- 7. The two teams will meet again during the last week of field work to compile the geological information and prepare the samples for shipping.

It was also agree to make regular contacts by emails to plan the geological mapping and prepare the field work program that is plan to start on March 15th.

Sincerely yours!

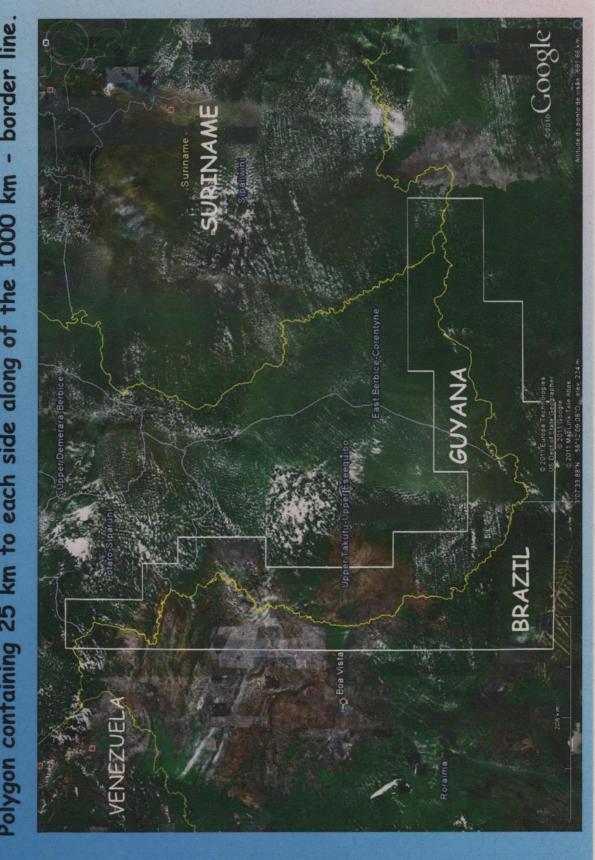
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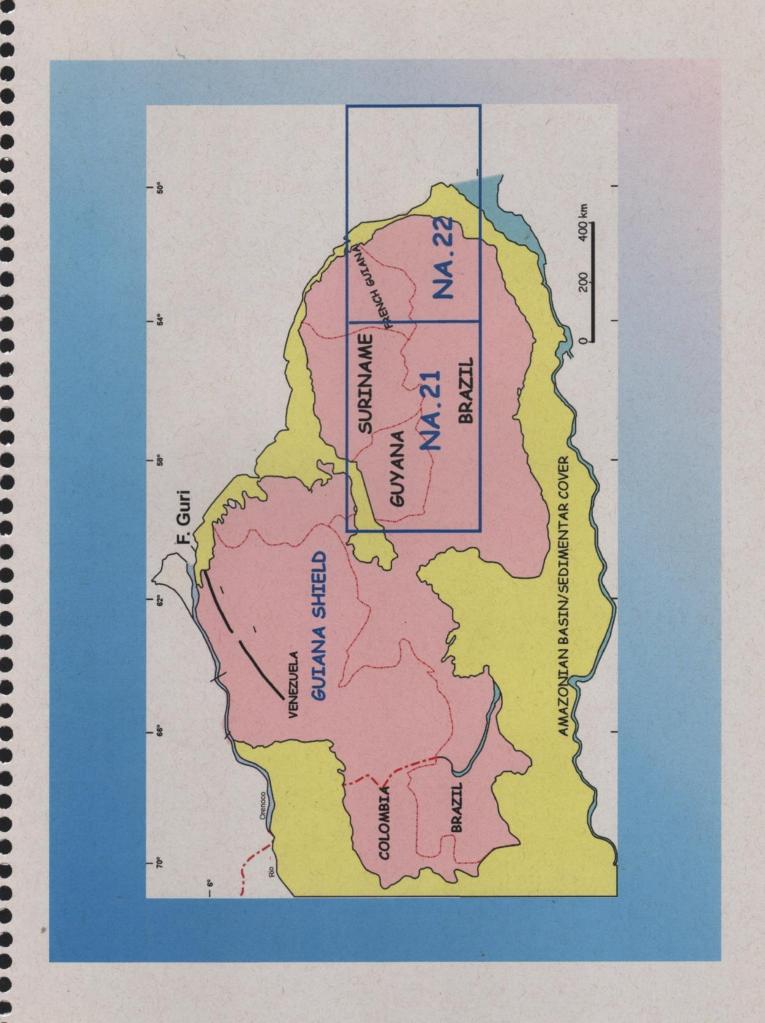
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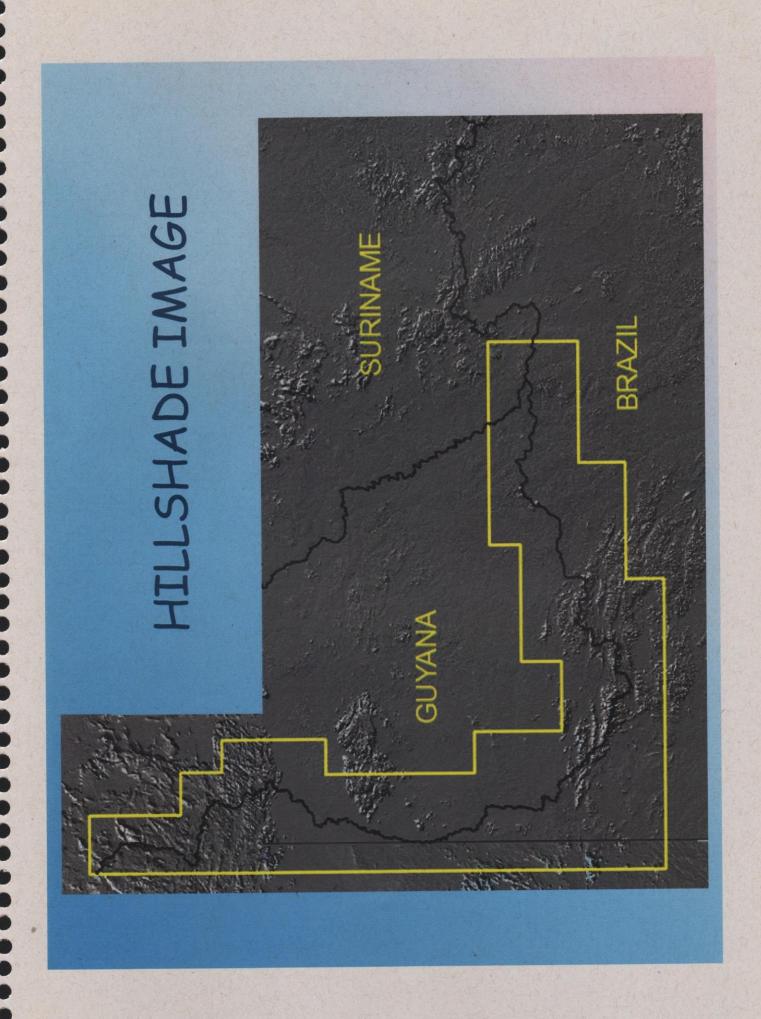
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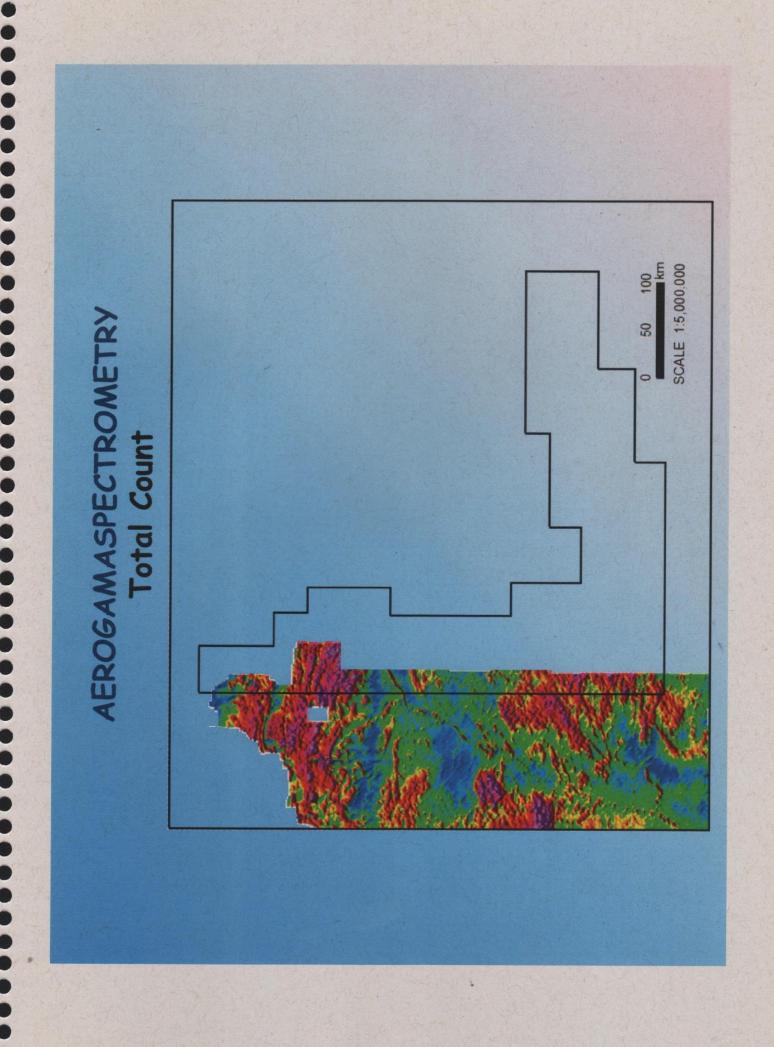


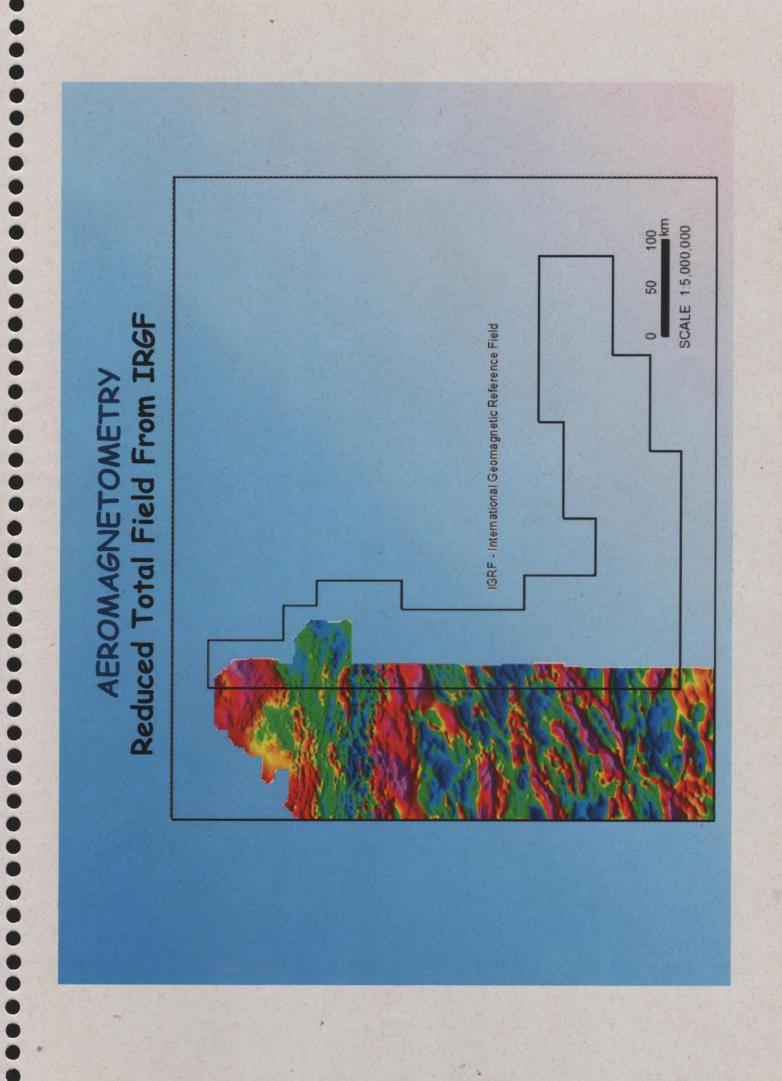


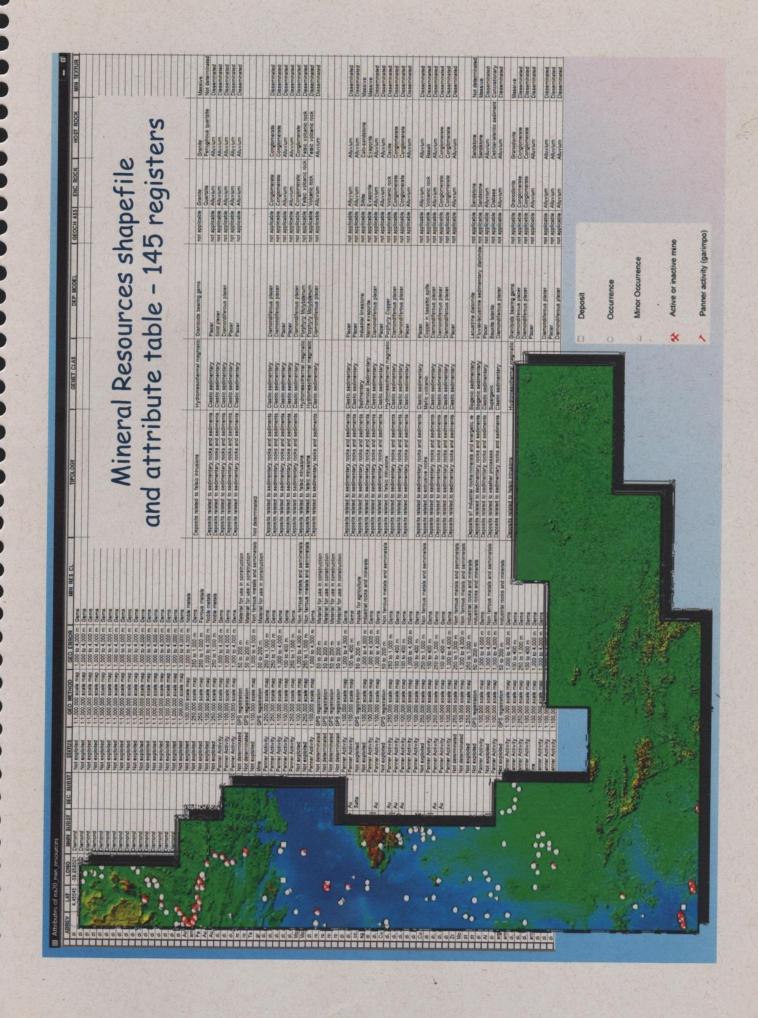


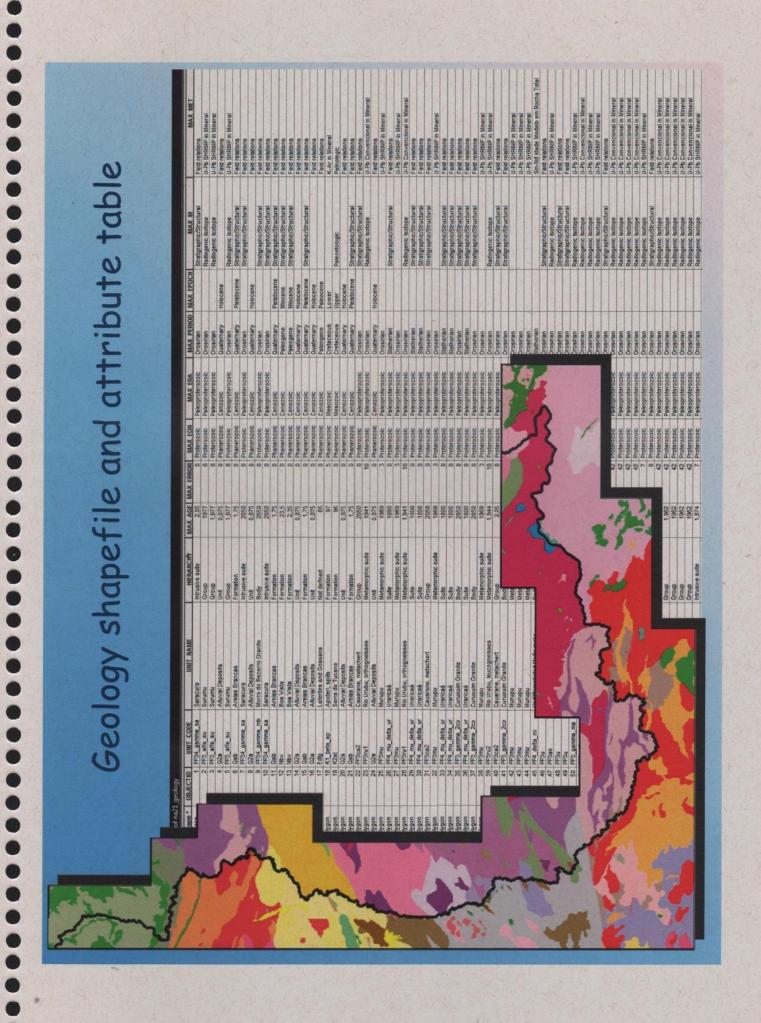
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