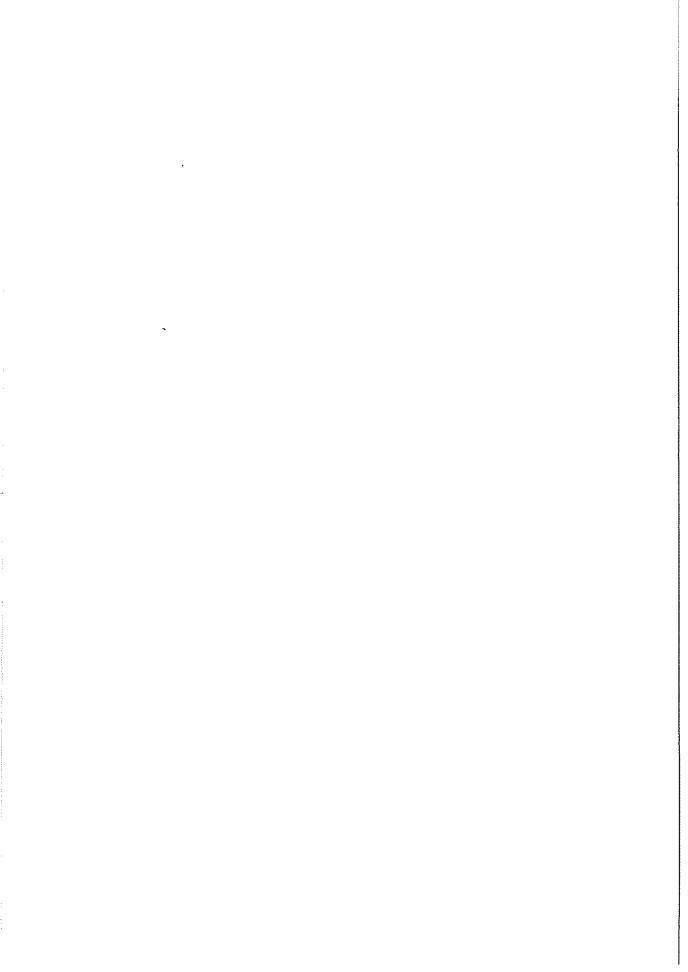
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DEVONIAN-CARBONIFEROUS BOUNDARY: LAST CALL FOR CANDIDATE STRATOTYPES

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Three localities have already been proposed as possible stratotypes for the Devonian-Carboniferous boundary. They are: Berchogur Hasselbachtal (Kazakhstan, USSR), (Rheinisches Schiefergebirge, Fed. Rep. Germany), and Muhua (Guizhou Province, China). The sections are described in Paproth & Streel (eds.) 1984: The Devonian-Carboniferous Boundary; Courier Forsch.-Inst. Senckenberg, vol. 67. None of them seems to combine all the characters which are desirable in the stratotype for an international chronostratigraphical boundary. Hence additional proposals are welcomed.

Detailed descriptions are invited of any section of the Devonian-Carboniferous boundary beds which meet most of the criteria for a stratotype.

For general criteria see Hedberg (ed.) 1976: International Stratigraphic Guide, pp. 24-29 and 83-93. For special conditions see Lethaia (1980, vol. 13, p. 287), Episodes (1980, 3, p. 27), Przeglad Geologiczny (1980, no. 8, p. 438), or Courier Forsch.-Inst. Senckenberg (1984, vol. 67, pp. 5-9).

The exact description should include palaeontological, lithological and sedimentological attributes of the section, as well as references to the geological and palaeogeographical framework and accessibility of the locality.

Descriptions should be sent before September 1st, 1987 to the Secretary of the Working Group on the Devonian-Carboniferous Boundary. Two members of the Working Group should have visited the locality.

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