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ANARC SWL Ham Net

As I mentioned last month, March will be a busy month for shortwave listeners. We look forward to seeing many club members at the 12th annual Winter SWL Festival on March 11-13 at the Kulpsville, PA Holiday Inn. In addition, the North American DX Championships will be coming up later in the month. This year the contest listening period will begin on Friday, 19 March 1999, at 1900 EST (0000 UTC) and end Sunday, 21 March 1999, at 2359 EST (0459 UTC). Details have appeared in January and February's Journal (and maybe this month if space permits!). Let's really keep Dr. Cones and his loyal staff of elves busy this year.

It's not easy staying up with Bill Oliver and his many internet e-mail addresses. I've had to cross out a number of them from my address list over the years. Our publisher's e-mail address has changed once again thanks to some internet confusion among organizations. You can contact Bill at his new address <br/>
>boliver@bboard.com>. Any questions about your membership, mail problems, etc. should be directed to Señor Oliver. Of course, the 45 Wildflower Road address hasn't changed.

Harold Sellers informs us that Industry Canada has issued the callsign XL3D in celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Ontario DX Association for the period starting at 0000 UTC March 25, 1999 to 2359 UTC April 25, 1999. XL3D will take the place of VE3ODX as one of the two "10 point" stations in the 3rd Annual Ontario QSO Party to be held April 24, 1999 at 1800 UTC to April 25, 1999 at 1800 UTC. QSL direct with SASE or SAE with sufficient return postage to: XL3D, Ontario DX Association, P.O. Box 161, Station A, Willowdale,

Tune in Sunday mornings at 10 A. M. Eastern Time on 7240 LSB for the latest in shortwave, medium wave and longwave listening, DX tips, and up to the minute hobby news. Contributors share their DX tips via their own amateur radio stations or by telephoning a "gateway" station who then broadcasts the relayed tips. Contributions are also accepted via the Internet Relay Chat (IRC) channel #swl while the net is in progress. Net Controls Dave NIDK, Bill WA2DVU, and Al NN2U host an always lively gang of DX monitors. (Best heard in the eastern half of NAm) Net info is also available at <a href="http://">http:// /www.trsc.com/Radio/SWL\_Net/ swl net.html>. If you miss the net, you can hear it in RealAudio on the Internet, on Dave Kirby's home page, <a href="http://">http:// www.ncweb.com/users/dkirby/>. Dave also posts text versions of loggings.

Ontario M2N 5S8, CANADA. Or you may QSL via the bureau via VE3ODX or VE3SRE. For further information on this or the Ontario QSO Party visit the Ontario DX Association website at http://www.durhamradio.ca/odxa or e-mail to ve3sre@rac.ca. Congratulations to our friends up north at the ODXA on 25 years of operation!

Two ANARC clubs will be combining for a convention this year. The joint International Radio Club of America and Decalco Mania "Ultra-Convention" has been added to the Calendar of Events. This one is coming up in June so you need to get moving if interested. It will be held in Las Vegas! So, why am I going to Kulpsville later this month?

Our Motto is - "Unity and Friendship"

Congratulations to Lyle Koehler who was named the winner of the 1998 H. John Clements Memorial Award by the Long Wave Club of America ("LWCA"). Koehler's numerous technical articles for the Lowdown were the primary reason for his selection. Incidentally, NASWA members interested in long wave activity should check into the LWCA (45 Wildflower Road, Levittown, PA) 19057-3209, USA). For US\$2.00, publisher Bill Oliver (now where have I heard that name before?) will send you a sample copy of the monthly publication, The Lowdown. Annual dues are US\$18.00 in the United States; US\$20.00 in Canada and Mexico; and US\$26.00 overseas by airmail.

Dario Monferini tells us that there will be "an important pirate radio meeting, which will be organized in Germany the week of 4-5-6 June 1999 by the East and West Radio

Club." Check the Calendar of events for further information. Dario and Steve of SWRS will be present and they hope some North American pirate enthusiasts will make the trip.

Don't forget to get any questions you may have about the use of the club's country list to **Don Jensen** (5204 70th Street, Kenosha, WI 53142 or dnjkenosha@acronnet.net). DNJ will be happy to answer any questions you have. Remember to include return postage if contacting Don by regular mail. Also, we have some exciting news from the Country List Committee in this edition of the Journal.

That's it for this month. Enjoy this month's edition of the JOURNAL; it's another good one.

## Musings

This column provides a forum wheras members can express comments, ideas, and thoughts about NASWA or the SW radio hobby. Please feel free to comment on anything presented this month (or previous months). Opinions expressed here are are soley those of the submitters. Please submit all Musings to Richard A. D'Angelo, 2216 Burkey Dr., Wyomissing, PA 19610 or via email: rdangelo3@aol.com.

### Jerry Berg <jberg@tiac.net>, Lexington, MA

I agree with Jerry Lineback's comments that followed my article, "Some Thoughts on Reporting Loggings," in the February Journal. What it comes down to is that, in IDing stations, what counts is not only what you hear but what you know. And experience is still the best teacher. That's why it is generally acknowledged that an experienced DXer using mediocre equipment will usually out-DX a beginner with much more expensive gear. As Jerry points out, one way to know the bands is to tune them regularly; another is to concentrate on stations from particular parts of the world (like Latin Americans or Indonesians).

The DXer's location is also important. Jerry's knowledge of the stations on 3385 kHz. cannot easily be duplicated at my New England location because the signals on that frequency are seldom more than whispers. This means that the experience of hearing various stations on that channel, and becoming familiar with their characteristics, is much less available to me, and so I am more likely to call these loggings tentative or unidentified, compared with people who are able to get better reception and thus have full identifications or presumed loggings. Every location has its benefits and burdens in this regard.

The point is to not jump to conclusions, and to report the log accurately, whether you feel you have positively identified the station or not.

### Contribute!

Send your loggings and QSL information off to our Distributing Editor, Fred Kohlbrenner (2641 South Shields Street, Philadelphia, PA 19142). He will forward them to the appropriate editor. Remember, Fred has now expanded his business to include QSL report information and totals for the Scoreboard column. He can also be reached through the Internet at: fkohl@ix.netcom.com.

# Richard D'Angelo <rdangelo3@aol.com>, 2216 Burkey Drive, Wyomissing, PA 19610

Our third and final Dxpedition of the season to French Creek State Park is now history. In early February, we managed another Sunday through Wednesday Dxpedition where we benefit from nobody else was using the cabin facilities on weekdays. It is much easier to erect antennas here rather than Gifford Pinchot where clothes would shred while stringing wire. Fred Kohlbrenner, Kris Field and Ed Mauger rounded out the group.

DX conditions were far from ideal upon arrival but there is always something to be found if you are patient. We awoke Monday morning to a coating of snow and ice, which made things look nice provided you weren't driving anywhere. Highlight of the morning was clear reception of Laos in 6,130 kHz with their famous 7 gongs at 1200 UTC. Later that day Mogadishu was heard on new 11,204 kHz prior to 2058\*. The next two mornings we enjoyed excellent openings to South America. While conditions weren't spectacular, they were satisfactory with lots of good stuff being heard.

There seems to be a greater interest among the park personnel into our listening activities. When the park ranger arrived at our cabin Sunday afternoon to hand over the key, he asked about the antenna wires strung around the nearby woods. The following day, a park attendant stopped by the cabin to clean it and asked about the wires. After almost 30 Dxpeditions to state parks over the years, this is the first time someone came to clean the cabin while it was still in use! Of course antenna installation can be amusing. On day two Ed decided to do some fancy antenna work, which provided plenty of entertainment for those of us that decided to stay indoors and watch. Only reasonable decorum prevents me from repeating the tortured events we observed.

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FRENDX: Twenty Five Years Ago ....

Radio Cook Islands was not heard during a special test broadcast. During the transmission, George Jacobs arranged to have the VOA vacate the frequency. Unfortunately, Radio Habana, Cuba would not co-operate. A special broadcast from Radio Maldives was scheduled for March 12 at 1100–1215 GMT on 4740 kHz using 30 KW. In the Shortwave Center, Al Miller writes about his user experience with the National HRO-500 communications receiver. In Larry Magne's Clandestine Confidential column, Don Jensen continues with Part II of his Radio Euzkadi report. Jensen and Ed Shaw reported QSL's from Radio Maldives in Larry Yamron's QSL Report. Other interesting verifications were in from Indonesia (Rikhusus Informasi Peritanian on 4698 kHz), ORTF Reunion, La Voz de Tigre, Radio New Ireland and Radio New Britain. The NASWA Convention was set for July 19-21 in Columbus, Ohio at the Neil House.

### Calendar Of Events

- Mar 11-13 Convention. The 12th Annual Winter SWL Festival will be held at the Kulpsville Holiday Inn (Exit 31 on the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike) on 11-13 March 1999. Organized by the infamous "gang of three" (Messrs. Brown, Cones, and Field) this all wave gathering attracts about 200 hobbyists each year.
- Mar 19–21 Contest. 1999 North American DX Championships. See January's Journal for further information or you can send a self-addressed stamped envelope to 1999 NADXC, c/o Dr. Harold Cones, 2 Whits Court, Newport News, VA 23606. Rules are also available at <a href="http://www.anarc.org/nadxc99.html">http://www.anarc.org/nadxc99.html</a>.
- Mar 19 Meeting. Philadelphia Area NASWA Chapter. Kulpsville Holiday Inn, Kulpsville, PA at 7:30 PM. For more information contact Dan Cashin at 610-446-7831.
- Mar 19 Meeting. Boston Area NASWA Chapter. The Lexington Club, Rts. 4 & 225, Lexington, MA at 7:30 PM. The location is 1/4 mile west of Rt. 128, Exit 31. For more information contact Paul Graveline at 978-470-1971 or Internet: 74007.3434@compuserve.com. The URL for the BADX guys is <a href="http://www.anarc.org/naswa/badx/">http://www.anarc.org/naswa/badx/</a>>.
- Mar/Apr Celebration. 25th Anniversary of the Ontario DX Association. XK3D will operate for the period starting at 0000 UTC March 25, 1999 to 2359 UTC April 25, 1999. XL3D will take the place of VE3ODX as one of the two "10 point" stations in the 3rd Annual Ontario QSO Party to be held April 24, 1999 at 1800 UTC to April 25, 1999 at 1800 UTC. QSL direct with SASE or SAE with sufficient return postage to: XL3D, Ontario DX Association, P.O. Box 161, Station A, Willowdale, Ontario M2N 5S8, CANADA. Or you may QSL via the bureau via VE3ODX or VE3SRE. For further information on this or the Ontario QSO Party visit the Ontario DX Association website at <a href="http://www.durhamradio.ca/odxa">http://www.durhamradio.ca/odxa</a> or e-mail to ve3sre@rac.ca.
- Apr 9 Meeting. The Tidewater SWL's meet at 6:30 PM. For more information plus meeting location contact Joe Buch at joseph.buch@dol.net
- Apr 9 Meeting. The Cincinnati/Dayton Monitoring Exchange (MONIX) meet at the Lebanon Citizens National Bank on U.S. Route 42 in Mason at 7:00 PM. For more information contact Mark Meece at 513-743-8089 or e-mail at <mmeece@siscom.net>. For additional information about MONIX, check out their web site at <a href="http://www.siscom.net/~mmeece/monix.html">http://www.siscom.net/~mmeece/monix.html</a>>
- Apr '99 DX Camp. The Ontario DX Association will be sponsoring a Spring 1999 DX Camp at the Lake St. George Conservation Field Centre, located only 30 minutes north of Toronto. There are numerous ways of obtaining additional information: (1) visit http://www.durhamradio.ca/odxa/ for details, (2)e-mail Harold Sellers at dxontario@compuserve.com, (3) write to ODXA, P.O. Box 161, Station A, Willowdale, Ontario M2N 5S8, and (4) telephone Harold Sellers (905)853-3518.
- Apr'99 Convention/DX Camp. The Danish Shortwave Club International will hold its Annual General Meeting and DX Camp during the weekend of April 30–May 2, 1999 at a scout camp in the dunes of the west coast of Jutland, Denmark. Details to follow.
- Jun'99 Meeting. Pirate Radio Meeting arranged by East and West Radio Club will be held 4-6 June 1999 about 40 kilometers south of Köln. Contact Adolf Schwegeler, Bahnhofstr 56, DE-50374 Erfstadt, Germany. Fax +49 223545046. E-mail: achim.baum@t-online.de.

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### Calendar Of Events (continued)

- Jun'99 Convention. IRCA/DecalcoMania Ultra-Convention will be held June 25, 26 and 27, 1999 at the Holiday In-Boardwalk (3750 Las Vegas Blvd., So. Las Vegas, NV); call 800-635-4581 for reservations (\$55 per room if made before April 25th). Registration fee \$35.00. Send registration fee and inquiries to Mike Sanburn, P.O. Box 1256, Bellflower, CA 90707 stating name, address, phone number, date arriving, number of persons, and club affiliation.
- Sep'99 Contest. AWR Contest. Largest QSL collections, long delays in receiving a QSL, and QSL cards from the old AWR unit in Africa. More details to follow.
- Sep'00 Contest. AWR Contest. Number of different QSL stamps in the listener's collection. More details to follow.
- Apr'99 Convention. The 35th Annual International World Wide Continental DX Association (IWWCDXA) will be held in Tahiti at the Charlie Loudenboomer Estate on April 1, 1998 from noon until midnight. Charlie will lecture continuously during this 12-hour period on a variety of boring subjects some of which may actually pertain to shortwave radio. Registration fee is a modest \$150.00 with an extra \$50.00 charge for the traditional hamburger helper banquet. More information is available from Charlie at <cl@sucker.com>.

Members are invited to submit items to be included in this calendar to Rich D'Angelo (Internet: rdangelo3@aol.com) or Ralph Brandi (Internet: ralph@brandi.org).

### Welcome to the following new NASWA members

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# Easy Listening

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### Survey Says...

With the Winter SWL Festival less than two weeks away, I've worked myself into a 'Fest mood by reviewing the responses John Figliozzi and I received from last year's annual listening survey. Each year, for the past five years, we invite (make that "beg") 'Fest attendees to tell us about their interests in the hobby, their favorite broadcasters, and their favorite programs. While not a scientific, random survey, this nonetheless represents a snapshot of a committed group of hobbyists, whose opinions would be of interest to broadcasters as well. New for 1998 were several questions covering how 'Festers listen to international broadcasters. Our plans for the '99 fest include another survey; please take a few minutes to fill it out; John and I will tell you more about the survey during our Forum presentation.

# Q1. What are your interests in the radio monitoring/shortwave hobby? (multiple answers allowed)

DXing	90%
Program Listening	77%
Pirates	52%
Scanning	39%
Utilities	35%
Amateur	26%

With this result, we feel comfortable including a forum on program listening and content during the 'Fest; there is always the concern that attendees will be solely interested in DX topics, and that program content isn't relevant. Thankfully this hasn't been the case for the 'Fest.

# Q2. Do you ever use the Internet to listen to programs by international broadcasters?

Yes	52%
No	48%

Given that internet-delivered audio ("webcasting", or "netradio", if you prefer) was still a new phenomenon last March, this degree of penetration was surprisingly high. It will be interesting to see the shift in this response year-on-year. Favorite broadcasters via this route included Radio Canada International, Radio Netherlands, BBC World Service, and the VOA. As has long been harped on in this space, the VOA purposefully and irrationally avoids US domestic residents as a component of its constituency. I believe the VOA can better ensure its long term survivability by cultivating a domestic constituency, since we are the VOA's funding source. Broadcasters such as RCI and Radio Australia, having survived severe funding cuts, have determined they need to better relate to their own residents to generate favorable public opinion. Promotion of VOA webcasting might be a cost-efficient way for the VOA to obtain this benefit as well.

# Q3. Do you use the Internet to obtain schedule, frequency and program information?

Yes	68%
No	32%

I remember running an informal 'Fest forum covering on-line services eight years ago, when text-based commercial services, Fidonet, and USENET were the only options for information. Clearly the 'Net is well-suited for this purpose, as printed works such as *Passport to World Band Radio* became useless for the BBC schedule when the schedule was revamped in January. See the end of this month's column for additional information on a new 'Net venture of possible interest.

# Q4. If your favorite shortwave station was in danger of being closed, would you be willing to contribute money to support its continuance?

Yes 68% No 32%

This was a new question in last year's survey. Could the US public radio economic model—where private voluntary support pays a significant portion of the freight—be relevant in these days of downsizing? Most folks said it could. Hopefully we're not going to see quarterly two-week fund drives on the BBC World Service anytime soon, but international broadcasters unfamiliar with US public radio might wish to examine its role for possible relevance. For example, when WDIY-FM here in Allentown became a 24-hour station by picking up the new World Radio Network feed, I immediately gave money to the station.

# Q5. How much per year would you contribute?

We allowed respondents to fill in their own amount; responses ranged from \$5 to \$50 per year, and were evenly distributed.

# Q6. Does your cable system carry international radio stations?

Yes	6%
No	74%
Don't Know	19%

I was surprised by the size of the "Don't Know" response. Given how media-savvy one would expect shortwave hobbyists to be, I had expected most folks would have considered this an area worth investigating.

### Q7. Do you own a satellite receiver?

Yes	13%
No	87%

I was also surprised by the low percentage of people among 'Festers with dishes. Perhaps nowadays, with so many services scrambled, there is no longer the diversity formerly available. Of those that responded as having dishes, 3 in 4 were DBS dishes, not suitable for analog shortwave reception.

# Q8. Do any local AM or FM stations relay international broadcasters?

Yes	35%
No	39%
Don't Know	26%

It was again surprising to see the size of the "Don't Know" response. It will be interesting to see if this year's response is different, with the launch of WRN from NPR.

# Q9. Do you ever listen to international broadcasters via CBC Overnight?

Yes	32%
No	68%

With CBM Montreal no longer on clear chaffnel 940 kHz, I am curious in the response this question will bring in 1999.

#### **General Observations**

How interested are we SWLs in the message versus its delivery method? I received an Email from a reader a few weeks back regarding Webcasting with the comment "It's too easy...." With the growth in on-demand programming, you're no longer restricted to a broadcaster's daily or weekly program schedule. You are saddled with choices when you are in the mood to listen, so the actual timing of broadcasts becomes less important. Radio Netherlands' Jonathan Marks spoke to this a few weeks ago in a phone conversation, when he commented that Internet audio users were more interested in being briefed, and radio listeners wanted to be entertained. This may bring about a trend favoring increased use of narrowcasting in order to appeal to a highly motivated subsegment of the audience.

Thanks to all who took the few minutes to participate in the 1998 survey; if you're 'Fest bound in a couple weeks, please keep an eye out for our 1999 survey.

### **Program Exchange**

Two reviews of new Radio Australia programming; first, from Peter Bowen:

#### Life Matters

Life Matters, weekdays 0910 and 1135, is the name of a show new to Radio Australia, replacing the former Countrywide in the RA schedule. This is a great show, and like most of the other great shows on Radio Australia, it is a Radio National production. Although there is no specific focus for the program, it appears to be broadly concerned with everyday issues of interest to ordinary Australians. (The programs would also be of interest for those in most other developed countries—Radio National programs "travel" well).

Life Matters is a 25 minute interview and discussion program, whose topics are quite diverse and wide-ranging. Some shows are devoted to discussions of a single item, while other shows feature 2 or 3 different topics. Some shows with a single theme have one discussion or interview, while others have several interviews. Those shows with several topics usually have one interview per topic. The format is thus rather fluid.

Those interviews and discussions are both interesting and thought-provoking. The tone is serious, sober, and thoughtful, rather than frivolous and artificially light- hearted. Because the subjects are serious and important, it is eminently appropriate to have the tone on the same level. This is a serious show, for those who are serious about their radio and what they listen to.

The *Life Matters* team can be reached at the following e-mail address: lifematters@your.abc.net.au>.

#### New Dimensions

New Dimensions, Saturdays at 1405, is new to Radio Australia's schedule. This is a program produced by New Dimensions Inc., an independent public radio & television program producer. Their programs air on noncommercial radio in the USA and Canada,

and also air on Radio for Peace International, in addition to Radio Australia.

New Dimensions is a one-on-one interview program that seeks to illuminate, not advocate, on issues of the day. I caught a recent edition with an interview on grief and how to handle it. One distinction from other interview programs was that the interviewer had done his homework. He asked questions that demonstrated a knowledge of the subject matter, and could actually engage the author in conversation, versus an interviewer who would simply let the guest ramble, not having enough subject knowledge to be able to directly contribute. Most of New Dimensions Radio's subjects concern self-actualization and human potential; their web page (http://www.newdimensions.org) states that Since 1973, New Dimensions Radio has brought listeners in touch with innovative thinkers and ideas on the leading edge of change. "It is only through a change in human consciousness that the world will be transformed. The personal and the planetary are connected. As we expand our awareness of body, mind, psyche, and spirit, so also will the world be changed. This is our quest, as we explore new dimensions."

In addition to the Saturday 1430 airing above, *New Dimensions* airs on Radio Australia Sundays at 1705. *New Dimensions* airs on Radio for Peace International Mondays, 0330, 1130, and 2230; Tuesdays, 0630; Wednesdays, 2030; Thursdays, 0430 and 1230, and Sundays, 1930.

#### Pick of the World, BBC World Service

While I try to point interesting or new BBC World Service features in my column each month, oftentimes the printed word just isn't sufficient to characterize a program's look and feel. Each week, *Pick of the World* pulls excerpts from the week's prior programs. Consider it a way of saying, "Here's the week's BBC World Service output in review." Each excerpt runs from one to three minutes, long enough for a presenter to complete his thought, but short enough to allow a diverse sampling each week. While most of the excerpts are from English language

programming, sound actuality from another language service is used if particularly relevant. For example, the Arabic Service aired Jordan's King Husseins funeral in its entirety, and *Pick of the World* opened one edition with an excerpt.

Pick of the World airs Mondays 0230 and 1130.

### **BBC World Service Highlights**

Warning: Watch for time changes as of Sunday, March 28th, when the United Kingdom changes to Summer Time. Expect one-hour earlier times for many of your favorites, but also expect changes that might not follow this pattern.

#### **General Features**

Wednesdays, 0120, beginning March 10th: *Mapping The World* is a new six-part 30-minute series exploring mapmaking and how we interpret and use maps in our lives. As mapmaking runs in our family, and has long been an interest of mine, if not a vocation, this is one series I'll definitely follow. Other airings include Saturdays, 2130 and Sundays, 0530.

Monday, March 8th, 1515: An annual World Service tradition returns with the *Commonwealth Day* observance from Westminster Abbey. This multi-ethnic, multicultural service draws on British, Ugandan, and Canadian musical talent, with readings from Islamic, Sikh and Baha'i, Jewish, Buddhist, Hindu, and Christian religious traditions.

#### Drama and the Arts

Saturdays, 2230, and Sundays, 0630: *Plays of the Week* include:

March 13th / 14th: The Power of The Dog is Ellen Dryden's 90-minute play about a teacher who seems trapped by mistakes of the past.

March 20th / 21st: Cribb and the Black starts Lennie James and tells the story of one of the greatest boxing matches of all time. March 27th / 28th: *Jupiter* charts the relationships of violinist Polly across a year, as narrated by one of the men in her life, and elderly man in his '80s.

### Popular Music and Youth

Saturdays, 2330 (preempted March 23rd): *The Vintage Chart Show* is an ongoing weekly 30-minute series on classic hits and headlines from days of yore. Host Paul Burnett revisits 1979, 1969, 1959, and 1976 in March. Also airs Fridays 1530.

Thursdays, 2245: *The Lab* is a weekly 15-minute look at the serious and not-so-serious side of science. Also airs Thursdays 1645.

# New Online Programming Discussion Group

Several of us who regularly discuss shortwave programming are embarking on a trial use of an Internet mailing list to share short shelf life information on programming, in a similar fashion to *Cumbre DX* sharing information on DX tips. At this juncture, you don't have to submit anything to receive the list, though it sure would be appreciated.

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Any questions? Send an E-mail to me at the address above.

See you online, see you next month, and hope to see many of you at the SWL Festival!

73 DE Richard

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# Two Voices from the South: A Bit of History

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The highlands in the northeast of Rio Grande do Sul are one of the few areas with blizzards in Brazil. Near the Peak of Igreja, 6100 feet, the Pelotas-Uruguay River is born. Instead of running east to flow into the ocean only 40 miles away, the river initially flows to the northwest and then

to the south, undertaking a long

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trip across the continent. It flows into the sea only near Buenos Aires, Argentina, more than 1,000 miles from its source. This vast portion of land, surrounded by water, wasn't part of the original Portuguese domains in South America. Several conflicts involving the Portuguese and the Spanish colonizers turned the area into a noman's land for over a century, and led to the

division of the territory into two parts in 1828: The Province of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, in the north and the Republic of Uruguay in the south. Conquerors of their territory, but unsatisfied with their lack of autonomy, the people of Rio Grande proclaimed an independent republic in 1836. They supported a war against the Brazilian Monarchy until 1845, when they surrendered. Giuseppe Garibaldi, hero of Italian unification, fought in this war, aside the Republicans, and met his wife Anita.

Fig 1: Map of Rio Grande do Sul

With the same area as the State of Colorado and a present population of 9.7 million, Rio Grande do Sul is a State with a strong identity, a consequence of its past of war and massive European immigration. The most important immigrants were the Germans, established in the valley of the Jacui River, and the Italians, who preferred the highlands of the northeast. But the Spanish, Azorian, British, French, and Polish immigrants are also important. The state economy is diversified: mining, manufacturing, agriculture, livestock, agri-business, and tourism are important. The agricultural in-

dustry adopted a partnership system in which the companies provide technical assistance to thousands of small farmers and buy their products, thereby minimizing risks and assuring a good productivity and life quality.

### **Two Radio Stations**

From this salad of cultures, two radio stations are often mentioned in the logging sections

of DX bulletins: Radio Guaiba and Radio Gaúcha. Despite their big size and coverage beyond the state frontiers, the stations don't forget local traditions, starting with their names: Guaiba is the river of Porto Alegre, the state capital, and Gaúcha is the female form of Gaúcho, the inhabitant and knight of Rio Grande.



Fig 2: Radio Guaiba's news studio. Speaker Milton Jung (top) has worked at the station since it began.

Aiming for an adult and relatively affluent audience, both stations are informa-Radio tive and cultural. Guaiba is also musical. a n d with a sober RÁDIO GUAÍBA style. traditional 100Kw - 720 KHz Radio Guaiba w a s founded in 1957 and operates together with a newspaper, the Correio do Povo. Its news programs are: Correspondente Renner, 10 minutes live, 4 times per day; Guaiba Noticias, flashes each half hour; and Jornal da Guaiba, from 11-12 PM. Other important programs are Espaco Aberto, consisting of interviews

and conversations with local and national political and economic celebrities, and Plantao Esportivo, a sports program. On Sunday mornings, the L'Eco D'Italia, a pro-

gram for the Italian colony, with talks in Portuguese and Italian (programs in Italian are common on local MW and FM stations in Rio Grande do Sul.

The Musica da Guaiba consists of musical intervals when rock and noisy music are forbidden.

Radio Gaúcha was founded in 1927, meaning that it is one of the oldest Brazilian stations. Old but modern. It is part of a group of 4 newspapers (the main one is the Diario

do Povo), 103 radio and 16 TV stations linked by satellite, forming the Gaúcha Sat Network. Radio Gaúcha's 754 ft antenna is the highest in Brazil. They also take part in the Cono Sur Network, with Radio Mitre in Argentina, Ñanduti in Paraguay, Carve in Uruguay, and Cooperativa in Chile. Radio Gaúcha has a large news department, with correspondents all over Brazil and in the main countries of the world. It was the only Brazilian station that sent reporters to the Gulf War. Programs with interviews and talks with politicians, businessmen, artists, sportsmen, and other

celebrities are common: Gaúcha Atualidade, Polemica, Gaúcha Entrevista, and others. The news program, Noticias RBS Radio, is



Fig 3: Radio Guaiba is located in an old but well preserved building in Caldas Junior st., a narrow street in the old downtown.



Fig 4: Radio Gaúcha is located in a modern building in Ipiranga Avenue, a short distance from downtown.

aired 12 times per day. On Sunday mornings, Galpao do Nativismo is program with the music and folklore of Rio Grande. Domingo Esporte Show, Bola na Mesa, and Jornadas Esportivas are sport programs. Two soccer clubs in Porto Alegre, the eternally rival Gremio Porto Alegrense and Internacional, are the passion of the Gauchos.

There are no dialects in Brazil, but some regional differences in intonation are notorious. Most TV and radio stations

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Fig 5: Monument to the Italian immigrant in Caxias do Sul - cover of the Reader's Digest Brazilian Edition in September 1955.

normally use the "standard" form of Portuguese, but, thanks to the several interviews aired by radios Gaúcha and Guaiba, it's often possible to hear the unmistakable accent of Rio Grande, probably derived from the Italian influence

Frequencies are 720, 6000, and 11785 for Radio Guaiba and 600, 6020, and 11915 for Radio Gaúcha. Don't worry if propagation is bad: both stations are available in Real Audio: Radio Guaiba

at <a href="http://www.cpovo.net/radio">http://www.cpovo.net/radio</a> and Radio Gaúcha at <a href="http://rdgaucha.com.br">http://rdgaucha.com.br</a> Good listening!

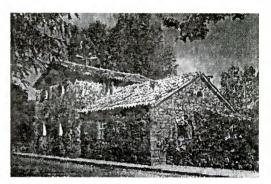


Fig 6: Museum of the Italian immigrant in the city of Caxias do Sul.

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Fig 7: Views of the State highlands near the city of Canela.

# DX Target: Voice of Oromo Liberation

Sagalee Bilisumma Oromoo Clandestine Broadcasting in the Horn of Africa

by Richard A. D'Angelo

In 1973, the Oromo Liberation Front (OLF), a political organization, was established by Oromo nationalists. It is hostile to the government of Ethiopia. The purpose of the OLF is to lead the national liberation struggle of the Oromo people against political oppression. The emergence of the OLF was a culmination of a century of effort for a strong, unified national Oromo organization. Although it took many years to launch, one of its most effective tools has been the establishment of a shortwave radio service to broadcast its message to the Oromo people.

This DX Target will take a brief look at clandestine broadcasting, then it will look at the Oromo people, which are the target audience of the Voice of Oromo Liberation, and finally it will take a look at the Voice of Oromo Liberation, or Sagalee Bilisumma Oromoo(SBO) in the Oromo language, which supports the Oromo Liberation Front and other groups opposed to the Ethiopian government.

### Clandestine Broadcasting

Clandestine broadcasting provides a unique look into the politics of a region. Whether operating from an exotic remote location or renting time on a spare high-powered international transmitter, clandestine broadcast stations provide fascinating listening to the DXer. Naturally, clandestine radio stations can be many things. First, the station can be a psychological warfare tool that prepares a nation, its people, and its leadership for political upheaval. Second, they provide news, information, and propaganda to spread a group's political ideology and/or agenda. Third, clandestine broadcasters can provide misinformation to serve its political purposes. Whether a clandestine is operating from a remote jungle or from a high-powered international transmitter located in another

country, they are fascinating and extremely exciting to listen to and follow.

Clandestine broadcast station's are radio stations and programs operated by guerrilla or political groups, opposition parties, and government intelligence agencies for the purpose of destabilizing political systems or movements. Generally speaking, clandestine radio stations fall into one of three classifications. The first is the "gray" clandestine, which is operated by a political group and funded internally and/or externally through covert foreign aid. Some broadcasts are through local facilities, i.e. low-powered (mobile) transmitters from jungles or remote mountaintops. However, sometimes transmissions are through the facilities of international broadcast organizations in another country. Sometimes these third party facilities are an antagonist of the government fighting the opposition group, however, this foreign involvement is usually never acknowledged. The second type is the "white" clandestine, which is operated by a political group or directly by a foreign government. The use of these facilities is generally openly acknowledged. Finally, the third type of clandestine station is the "black" clandestine, which is operated by a government that is the target of a clandestine station and disguised as that station in order to weaken the ultimate impact on local citizens of the opposition group.

### The Oromo People

Located in the Horn of Africa region in what is today Ethiopia, the Oromos are the third largest nationality in Africa and the single largest in East Africa. The land of the Oromo people covers an area of over 600,000 square kilometers. It harbors two of the three mineral belts and most of the agricultural and livestock land in Ethiopia. It is the richest portion of Ethiopia and the Horn of Africa in terms of natural resources.

The Oromo people are the single largest indigenous ethnic group of Africa. They live in east Africa in several countries, but mostly in Oromia, which is now included in Ethiopia. They constitute the largest ethnic group in Ethiopia, about 30 million people out of a total population of 60 million. During the twentieth century they have suffered loss of sovereignty to the government of Ethiopia and persistent political and social oppression.

During the harsh rule of Ethiopian King Haile Selassie, the Oromo language was banned while the government tried to impose the Amhara culture on all of Ethiopia. A grass roots resistance movement helped Mengistu overthrow Selassie in 1974, but the new communist government resumed the oppression of the Oromo nationalists. In 1991, a coalition of Oromo, Tigre, and Eritrean Liberation Fronts ousted Mengistu. However, the new government continued to deny Oromos political freedom, although the Oromos are now allowed to speak their own language. Hunger, unemployment, loss of land, and on-going armed conflicts are still present. Thus, the struggle continues.

Today, there are more than 250,000 Oromo refugees throughout Africa. The Ethiopian government fears the Oromo people because there are so many of them. They are not as well educated as the Amhara and have been downtrodden for centuries. However, their location in one of the richest natural resource regions in the Horn of Africa makes political independence a difficult proposition at best.

#### **About the Station**

Sagalee Bilisumma Oromoo is a radio program in Afaan Oromoo, the Oromo language. SBO started broadcasting in June, 1988, with a daily half-hour transmission via the Sudan. Gradually, this was raised to 2 hours of Afaan Oromoo and 45 minutes of Amharic language programs by 1990. Unfortunately, the program terminated in June, 1992, because of the turmoil in the region. The transmissions resumed in the beginning of 1995 via the facilities of WWCR and WHRI in the US, but were discontinued shortly thereafter due to poor reception in the target area. They commenced once again in June, 1995, via transmitters in the Ukraine

and Germany and they are currently being well received by a majority of the Oromo people in Ethiopia and neighboring countries via the transmitter facilities of the Deutsche Telekom AG (DTK) in Jülich. Germany. SBO broadcasts its programs three hours a week to North Africa with a special focus on the Horn of Africa. Broadcasting time will be expanded if funds become available. SBO aims to draw attention to the rich traditional knowledge and cultural heritage of the Oromo. It provides information to its listeners in the form of regional and international news, democracy and human rights issues, culture and language, the economy and environment, and health education.

Although the station can be somewhat elusive, the Voice of Oromo Liberation currently broadcasts in Oromo and Amharic to East Africa and the Middle East on 11725 kHz in the 25 meter band from 1700 to 1759 UTC on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The station's letter indicated a schedule on 9490 kHz at 1600 to 1700 UTC on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. The aim of the Voice of Oromo Liberation is to reach the millions of Oromos living in rural areas cut off from the rest of the world by poverty, illiteracy, and oppression.

The station confirms listener reception reports with a frequency only letter from Taye Teferra, SBO Committee Europe. Letters can be sent to the following address:

Sagalee Bilisummaa Oromoo Voice of Oromo Liberation P. O. Box 510610 13366 Berlin Germany

I would like to thank the station for sending a wealth of interesting and valuable information about their formation and purpose. Also, I would like to thank Nick Grace's Clandestine Radio Intel Web <a href="http://www.qsl.net/ybOrmi/cland.htm">http://www.qsl.net/ybOrmi/cland.htm</a> for valuable background information and Numero Uno for background material and the latest broadcast times and frequencies. Remember to send loggings of the Voice of Oromo Liberation to Wallace Treibel for the Log Report and verifications to Sam Barto for inclusion in the QSL Report. Good luck with this DX target!

# Listener's Library

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I have not had the pleasure of welcoming the review Rich D'Angelo into the pages of The Journal for quiet sometime. I am happy to report that Rich resurfaced recently with a couple of fine reviews that we can all enjoy this month.

*LA DXing No. 6—1997* By Radio Nuevo Mundo Reviewed By Richard A. D'Angelo

This is one of those reviews I have been meaning to do for quite some time. Unfortunately, time and a busy schedule have been enemies of my hobby reading these last two years. However, the recent holidays allowed me to put pen to paper. There are very few shortwave broadcast related materials as high in quality as the current LA DXing, No. 6—1997 published and distributed by our friends at Radio Nuevo Mundo. This is by far the most informative series of publications on the subject of DXing Latin America.

The first issue came out almost two decades ago. The second edition was merely labeled "revised." Little did the authors realize they were on their way to producing the definitive work on DXing Latin America. Subsequent editions followed in 1985, 1987 and 1992. The latest edition, No. 6, although issued in 1997, provides a wealth of information about DXing from this region. This edition, as well as all the prior editions, is must reading for shortwave broadcast listeners that DX this part of the world.

The book contains 270 pages of useful information in a Journal page-size format. The first section, Sintonia DX compiled by Takeshi Sejimo, is a listing of Latin American stations by frequency reported from 1992

through publication in 1997. The second section, Trabalengus DX compiled by Tetsuya Hirahara, is a collection of station identifications from each country in Latin America. This section is extremely valuable when tuning a new signal in the tropical bands since it not only contains station identifications but important station announcements often heard during broadcasts. Wise use of this material can be very helpful in identifying a new catch.

The next section is the heart and soul of the book, Relampago DX, which is compiled by NASWA member Takayuki Inoue Nozaki ("TIN"), provides interesting station profiles for 49 legal and illegal Peruvian shortwave broadcasters in sixteen cities. Much of the material was obtained based on the authors' travels to stations in the Departments of Hu nuco, Ucavali, San Martin, Amazonas, and Loreto between 1985 and 1997. TIN has been traveling to Latin America since 1984, providing much of the scholarly research in the public domain that is available to dedicated Latin DXers. He has visited over 1000 stations through Central and South America during this period. Since DXing is a collaborative work, the author has relied on information developed by other top Latin DXers over the years such as Henrik Klementz, Pedro Francisco Arruntegui, and Juan Carlos Codina. With background material provided by himself and others plus actual station visits. TIN has crafted a section unparalleled in the DX press.

The final section, Terremoto DX compiled by Tetsuya Hirahara, provides another series of articles about a DX trip to La Mosquitia and the stations of that Honduran region. Also, Don Moore provides some interesting information about clandestine radio and Fidel Castro and the last days of Radio Impacto. Although this section is much smaller than the previous section, it nevertheless contains some very interesting and valuable reading.

LA DXing, No. 6—1997 is a well-prepared volume of DX research, which is indispensable for the shortwave listener with an interest in this region of the world. It contains many photographs of station personnel, buildings and equipment that make the book come alive. Also, the book contains numerous copies of pennants, station logos and mastheads and other interesting material that carefully rounds out the subject.

LA DXing, No. 6—1997 is available direct through Radio Nuevo Mundo, c/o Tetsuya Hirahara, 5-6-6 Nukui-kita, Koganei-shi, Tokyo 184, Japan for US\$20.00 or 20 International Reply Coupons for airmail delivery. Payment can be made in U.S. cash, International Postal Money Order, Postal Gyro (Tokyo 00180-1-89806, Tetsuya Hirahara). It is well worth the price. You may want to inquire about the availability of back editions since they provide a very valuable DX resource to the shack. If you are interested in listening to shortwave broadcast stations from Latin America, then you need to add one or more editions of LA DXing to your DX shack library.

Pirate Radio
The Incredible Saga of America's Underground, Illegal Broadcasters
By Andrew Yoder
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HighText Publications Inc.
Reviewed By Richard A. D'Angelo

There are few people as qualified as Andrew Yoder to write such a book about pirate radio activity. The author has been a devoted listener to illegal pirate radio broadcasting activity since the tender age of thirteen. He has authored books, produced a CD, written extensively in magazines and club bulletins and lectured at radio conventions about his

favorite pastime, pirateradio. However, Andy is more than just another shortwave listener looking for something different to tune his rig to. Yoder appreciates the trials and tribulations of this hardy band of broadcasters. This is evident in his treatment of the historical side of this aspect of the shortwave listening hobby.

Pirate Radio, The Incredible Saga of America's Underground, Illegal Broadcasters is a 326 page book published by HighText Publications Inc of Solana Beach, CA. It is richly illustrated with dozens of pirate radio station OSL cards and photographs, which provides the reader a true feel for the excitement these illicit broadcasters bring to the scene. The book begins with a rather interesting introduction by the author explaining how he became involved in pirate radio. Most radio listeners are fascinated about how other listeners got involved in the shortwave hobby. Andy's early days are very much like many listeners but with an interesting pirate twist.

Pirate Radio, The Incredible Saga of America's Underground, Illegal Broadcasters consists of 12 chapters that takes the reader from the beginnings of pirate radio (1925-1976) and quickly moves the reader into the modern era, 1976-1982. From there the author looks at pirate broadcasters since 1983, covers the European, offshore, holiday, local and micropower, and political pirates scenes. The subject is rounded out with chapters about the Federal Communications Commission and its treatment of pirate radio operators, verifying pirate broadcasters and equipment necessary to hear these types of broadcasts. The book includes a unique CD, which contains interesting samples of actual pirate radio transmissions. If the reader has never heard such broadcasts, purchasing this book will not only provide an interesting read about the subject, it will also give the novice an opportunity to actually hear segments of these broadcasts.

The CD that comes with the book makes for some interesting listening. It contains both studio and off-the-air recordings of pirate radio stations. Although the audio quality isn't as good as most of us are accustomed to from CD technology because of the nature of the broadcasts, the CD does provide a method of furnishing authentic samples of the pirate stations discussed in the book. There are 14 different tracks with excerpts from some of the early pirates on track one. Some of the legendary pirates, such as WFAT, are covered in other tracks. Many of the tracks cover the early 1980 period to the present day. Among the favorites are WKND, Omega Radio, the infamous Voice of Tomorrow, the Voice of Revolutionary Vinco, Hope Radio International, New Zealand's KIWI Radio. Samurai Radio, Radio Free Euphoria, and Radio Newyork International.

If you are interested in pirate radio, then you need to add this publication to your bookshelf. It provides a good history of early pirate radio, discusses many of the stations and while telling their unique stories, and provides valuable samples of actual pirate

programming. It is a behind-the-scenes look at illegal broadcasting on shortwave. The author is clearly an expert in the field. His writing style is straight forward and he refrains from using too much technical jargon. Simply put, this is an easy read and provides much useful information about a very unique aspect of shortwave listening, pirate radio.

Pirate Radio, The Incredible Saga of America's Underground, Illegal Broadcasters is available from Universal Radio (6839 American Parkway, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-4113 or 1-800-431-3939 for telephone orders) for US\$29.95 plus another US\$2.00 shipping and handling in North American and US\$4.00 shipping and handling to the rest of the planet.

Once again, thanks to Rich for his fine efforts in taking the time to share what he's been reading with the rest of us NASWAites. You can do the same as well. What are you reading in relation to the hobby? Why not jot down a few lines and send them along. Snail mail and e-mail are fine. Join in the fun!

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# The Sun And Short-Wave Reception

(Part 10)

This month we conclude our examination of how the sun influences shortwave propagation. We will look at some of the information available on the Internet at a click of the mouse to help you make your own propagation predictions. I will be presenting some pretty complicated URL's (Internet web site addresses) so you may want to wait for this article to be posted on the NASWA web site so you can then just copy and paste the URL's.

Some SWLs lament the fact that the Internet is supplanting shortwave radio as a way to deliver international broadcasts. Better to think of the Internet as a tool for the SWL. You can download software to permit calculation of optimum frequencies and times to hear a specific country or you can use already existing web sites to do the numbers for you.

There is no way I can cover all the Internet sites that are out there. I will provide information on some sites I personally use. My computer is about four years old and runs on Windows 3.1. The hard drive space is limited to only 400 megabytes. So I try to use web sites with bigger, more modern computers behind them to assess and predict propagation conditions. I will describe what each site does for me and tell you why I find these sites interesting.

There are two places I would recommend you begin your quest for information. You should check both resources as good entry points to the entire subject. The first is a page operated by Radio Netherlands. You can get there through the URL: <a href="http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/practical/html/propagation.html">http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/practical/html/propagation.html</a>. This site features short descriptions and links to many sources operated by governments, commercial enterprises, or individuals. A similar site is operated by by NASWA member Pete Costello at URL <a href="http://itre.ncsu.edu/radio/srcrs2.html">http://itre.ncsu.edu/radio/srcrs2.html</a>. Pete's site also features short descriptions of each linked site and what kind of information you can get from each link. Pete's site has links to several software providers for those of you who would like to roll your own detailed propagation predicts.

We all know that the sunrise/sunset terminator line (the grayline) provides enhanced propagation especially on the 90 and 60 meter bands. There are two pages that provide realtime maps of the earth showing where this line is at any instant. The first provides a Mercator projection and can be seen at: <a href="http://www.fourmilab.ch/cgi-bin/">http://www.fourmilab.ch/cgi-bin/</a> uncgi/Earth/action?opt=-p>. The other site provides a 3D view of the earth from space. You can position yourself over any point on earth by clicking on that point. You can set your apparent distance above the earth through the interactive options provided startwith this URL: www.fourmitab.ch/cgi-bin/uncgi/ Earth?imgsize=320&opt=-1&lat=-1.45833&ns=North&lon=174.583&ew=West& alt=147807488&img=learth.evif>. You can change the "lat", "lon" and "alt" terms in this URL to move around the earth.

A very complete site for propagation related data and useful predict maps comes from the Australian IPS. The IPS Forecast Centre produces an extensive range of daily, weekly, and monthly reports of space weather conditions as well as warnings and alerts of significant events. These can be viewed at their web site or alternatively are available via a mailing list server. Their home page is <a href="http://www.ips.oz.au/">http://www.ips.oz.au/</a>. Warning, much of the information available on this site requires a browser equipped for Java script.

The IPS Hourly Area Predictions Charts

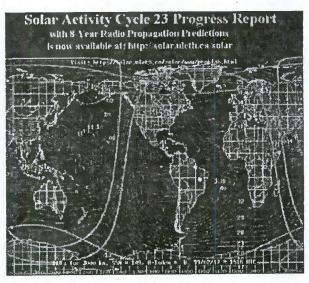
provide maps of optimum frequencies centered on major cities. The maps have contour lines circling the city of interest showing the best frequency range to use to reach target areas on the same continent. The North American charts can be centered on any of the following cities: Boston, Boulder, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Montreal, New Orleans, Orlando, Phoenix, San Francisco, Vancouver, Washington DC, White Horse, and Winnipeg. Predicts are updated every hour and include effects of current ionospheric conditions.

My favorite propagation site is in Canada. For a real time

map showing maximum usable frequencies, sunrise/sunset gray-line corridor location, latitude and longitude of the sun, and the location of the polar auroral absorption zones go to <a href="http://solar.uleth.ca/solar/www/realtime.html">http://solar.uleth.ca/solar/www/realtime.html</a>. The image is a high-resolution Mercator projection map of the earth with contour lines showing maximum usable frequencies (MUFs) for 3,000 kilometer radio signal paths. This is one of the constructable maps produced by PROPLAB-PRO Version 2.0, a radio propagation software package for IBM type PCs. The map is updated every 30 minutes. They sell the

software and register you for propagation training classes from this same page.

The map can be used to determine the MUF for any 3,000 kilometer path by finding the midpoint of the path and reading the labelled MUF contour value. For 4,000 kilometer paths, you should multiply the given MUF contour value by 1.1 at the midpoint of the desired path. For longer path lengths, which require two hops, you divide the path into equal 3,000 or 4,000 km segments and compute the MUFs corresponding to the two midpoints that are 1,500 or 2,000 km from



each end of the path. Then select the lower of these two MUFs. The map also shows the radio auroral zones as green bands near the northern and southern poles. Radio signals passing through these auroral zones will experience increased signal degradation in the form of fading, multipathing and absorption. The picture shows what their page looks like.

That's it for this month. Hope to see you at the Kulpsville SWL fest. Next month our annual progress report from the NASWA Research Laboratory. Don't miss it.

# Country List Committee Report

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The Country List Committee is pleased to announce the addition of Puerto Rico to the NASWA Country List as a radio country.

A majority of the seven member committee approved the addition.

The decision is based on information from an official source, Wayne E. Eternicka, broadcast operations specialist at the Department of the Navy, Naval Media Center, Washington, DC, that recent broadcasts of AFRTS programming on 6,458.5 kHz, were from a Navy transmitter located in Puerto Rico.

While this was not the only frequency used for the AFRTS programming, the 6,458.5 kHz frequency is believed to be the only one originating from Puerto Rico.

The information indicates that this signal originated from the "Naval Computer and Telecommunications Station, Puerto Rico" broadcasting "with a ground-based, omnidirectional wire antenna with a 30 foot diameter. The signal is broadcast at 10 kilowatts from Isabela, Puerto Rico."

Further, according to the source, "AFRTS shortwave radio transmissions have historically existed to provide AFRTS radio service to U.S. Navy ships, vessels and outlying military posts receiving limited American radio or television through other means. The signals will be in existance for a limited time until a new technology, which is currently being tested, allows for reception of AFRTS via satellite."

The committee has concluded that these transmissions fall within NASWA's established and traditional definition of shortwave broadcast transmissions.

The committee recognizes, of course, that Puerto Rico is a commonwealth within the United States and is not an independent and autonymous nation, however, within the tradition of the radio listening hobby, it is considered a "radio country" and can be counted as such for DXing purposes.

On another matter, questions have been raised concerning Voice of America transmissions from Tinian island in the Mariannas.

The Pacific area radio country, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariannas

Pierlo Rico

has been included in the NASWA Country List for a number of years and has been represented by SW broadcasts from the island of Saipan. The committee has been asked to consider whether Tinian, another island in the commonwealth, should be considered a separate and different radio country.

The committee considered the question and concluded that historically and geographically there are insufficient reasons to consider Saipan and Tinian as separate radio countries. Reception of stations on either or both of these islands will count as only the single radio country, Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas.

Questions and comments about the NASWA Country List are always welcome.

Don Jensen, Chairman Country List Committee

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# Listener's Notebook

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ANGOLA Vorgan schedule. Angolan grey clandestine VORGAN - a Voz Resistencia da Galo Negro—operated by UNITA, resumed broadcasts in January.

0700-0900 5950 1200-1430 11830 1900-2100 7100

(Pires-POR/25-Jan/Clandestine Radio Watch/Schoech-GER)

4950 Radio Nacional da Angola, 0459—0502, Portuguese, news Program, ID " Esta e Radio Nacional da Angola...da Luanda transmite Radio Nacional" (12-Feb/Eramo/DSWCI DX Window/Petersen-DEN)

ANTARCTICA LRA36 began testing on 16-Feb. on 15475.8. "Good lord! It's HUGE here!" (2352 18-Feb/Rippel- VA/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER) They were about an S7 here; if them, better than I've hrd them in the past. They just signed off at 0059 Feb 19 with no closing announcement. (19-Feb/Sgrulletta-NY/NU/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

AUSTRALIA 5025 VL8K 2137 M and W in news with mention of "Australian citizens" and Northern Territory; into pop vocal at 2144. In clear when tuned on LSB to avoid presumed Uganda carrier on 5026. Co-channel Cuba began to show around 2145 and completely dominate a few minutes later. Also coming through with inferior reception on //s 4910 (noisy) and 4835 (severe QRM from big ute on low side). This is the first time in a couple of years I've heard this trio of 60M Aussie transmitters during our late afternoon. (11-Feb/Hill-MA)

BELGIUM RTBF is the broadcasting organization of the French-speaking community in Belgium. This shortwave service, aimed at listeners in Africa, consists of relays of RTBF domestic radio channels. It was inaugurated on 1st February 1999. All broadcasts are transmitted via Deutsche Telekom facilities in Jülich, Germany. This schedule is effective until March 28th 1999.

0400-0600 French 9490 Mo-Fr 0530-0600 French 9490 Sa/Su 0600-0915 French 17650 Su 0600-0810 French 17650 No-Fr 0600-1100 French 17650 Sa 1100-1315 French 21565 Mo-Fr 1100-1215 French 21565 Sa 1200–1215 French 21565 Su 1600–1810 French 13820 Su–Fr 1700–1810 French 13820 Sa (BBCM)

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC In response to an E-mail inquiry after hearing a unid station on 9900, this info was received from David Smith of Radio Minurca: "We haven't been broadcasting on 9900 since the end of December. The transmitter broke down. The 20 kW Telefunken we used was an old piece of unreliable equipment (junk). It arrived without spare parts and lasted long enough to get us through the electoral period here in the CFR. Trying to get a new, compact, solid-state replacement 10 kW transmitter with secure funds when available. Current schedule: 0600-1600, 9500 and 1600-0600, 5900 with a power of 125 Watts!" (Kusalik/NU/DSW-CI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN) Good news for those who didn't succeed in picking up the very weak signals from Radio Minurca late 1998. David Smith today informed me that Radio Minurca will have a new and more powerful transmitter up and running between now and the end of March-and it will run on 9900. (18-Feb/Nielsen-DEN/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

CHINA China National Radio (CPBS) Taiwan service:

0055-0615 5090 6015 7620 9380 11100 11935 15710 0955-1300 6015 7620 9380 11100 11935 15710 1300-2300 5090 6015 7620 11100 11935 15710 2300-2405 6015 7620 9380 11100 11935 15710

#### CNR Chinese World:

 0000-0105
 9170 11000

 0355-1300
 11000 15880

 1300-1400
 9170 11000

 1400-1805
 6790 9170

 2055-2400
 6790 9170

#### Voice of Pujiang:

1200-1600 3280 4950 5075

#### Voice of the Strait:

0855-1300 6115 7280 9505 1300-1800 4900 5050 6115 2055-2400 4900 5050 6115

Voice of	Jinling:		
0155-0400	7215		
1155-1600	5860		
China Hu	ayi BC:		
0255~0600	6185 4940		
0900-1300	6185 4940		
1300-1600	4940 4830		
(3-Feb/Liu-TWN/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)			

As a result of Voice of the Strait dropping their long-time frequency of 4940, China Hua-yi Broadcasting Company has immediately taken over this channel and is using it for its evening broadcast which ends at 1600 now. 4940 runs // to 4830 but this channel was not observed until the end of January. At last check China Hua-yi BC is still using 6185 for their mid-day broadcast which starts at 0255. There seems to be an increased activity on the domestic shortwave scene in China, apart from the two cases mentioned above. I encourage everyone to observe and report new outlets/frequencies or broadcasting times. In case of doubt please first check for parallel outlets of CNR 1, CNR 2, CNR Taiwan and CNR Chinese World. You can also check the Radio China web site www.swl.net/radiochina and in the "Fun with Chinese" section you will find audio clips with identifications of the following Chinese stations: China National Radio, China Radio International, China Huayi Broadcasting Corpora- 4 tion, Fujian PBS, Gansu PBS, Heilongjiang PBS, Jiangxi PBS, Voice of the Strait, Xinjiang PBS. (1-Feb/van den Boogert-TWN/EDXP/Padula-AUS)

The Central People's Broadcasting Station (CPBS) is officially referred to in English as China National Radio (CNR), although it continues to identify itself in Chinese as Central People Broadcasting Station, First program ("Zhongyand Renmin guangbo diantaidi-yi tao jiemu") This schedule is based entirely on monitoring observations apart from relays from Lhasa and Urumqi, which have not recently been confirmed.

CPBS First	Program
0000-0030	5955 6030 6110 7220 7345 7504 7935
	9080 9645 9830 9845 10260 11630
	11860 11925 12030 5480
0030-0100	5955 6030 6110 7220 7935 9080 9645
	9675 9830 9845 10260 11630 11860
	11925 12030 15480 15500
0100-0130	7220 7935 9645 9675 10260 11630
	11860 11925 11960 12030 15390
	15480 15500 17550
0130-0200	7220 9645 9675 11860 11925 11960
	1203015390 15480 15500 17550
0200-0900	9645 11860 11960 12030 15390 15480
	15500 17550 17580 17605
0900-0930	9080 9645 10260 11630 11860 11960
	12030 15390 15480 15500 17550
	17580 17605

	11960 12030 15390 15480 15500
	17550 17580 17605
1000-1030	6110 9080 9645 10260 11630 11860
	12030 15390 15480 15500 17550
	17580 17605
1030-1100	5030 6110 7504 9080 9645 10260
	11630 11860 12030 15390 15480
	15500 17550 17580 17605
1100-1130	5030 5880 6110 7504 9080 9800 9830
	10260 11630 11860 12030 15390
	15480 15500 17550
1130-1200	5030 5880 6110 7504 9080 9800 9830
	9845 10260 11630 11860 12030 15480
	15500
1200-1230	4460 5030 5880 6110 6125 6750 7290
	7305 7504 7935 9080 9800 9830 9845
	10260 11630 11860 15500
1230-1300	4460 5030 5880 6110 6125 6750 7290
	7305 7504 7935 9080 9800 9830 9845
	10260 11630 11860
1300-1600	4460 5030 5320 5880 5915 6110 6125
	6750 7290 7305 7345 7504 7935 9080
	9800 9830 9845 11925
1600-1615	5030 5880 6110 7305 7345 7504 9800
	9830 9845 11925
1615-1735	5030 5880 6110 7305 7345 9800 9845
	11925
1958-2300	4460 5030 5320 5880 5915 5955 6110
	6125 6750 7290 7345 7504 7935 9080
	9830 9845 10260 11630 11925
2300-2330	4460 5030 5880 5915 5955 6110 6125
	6750 7290 7345 7504 7935 9080 9830
2220 0000	9845 10260 11630 11860 11925
2330-0000	5030 5880 5915 5955 6110 6125 6750 7290 7345 7504 7935 9080 9830 9845
	10260 11630 11860 11925
	nd Program
0000-0030	5075 6890 6895 9064 9775 9810

9080 9645 9675 10260 11630 11860

0930-1000

		11670 11730 11800
t	0030-0100	6890 6895 9064 9775 9810 11670
	0030 0100	11710 11730 11800 12080 15500
	0100-0130	6895 9775 9810 11670 11710 11740
	0100 0130	11800 12080 15500 15540
	0130-0200	6895 9775 9810 11670 11710 11740
	0130 0200	11800 12080 15500 15540
	0200-0230	9500 9775 11040 11610 11670 11710
	0200-0250	11740 11800 12080 15500 15540
	0230-0300	9500 9775 11040 11610 11670 11740
	0230-0300	11800 12080 15500 15540 15570
	0300-0500	9500 9775 11040 11610 11670 11740
	0300-0300	11800 12080 15500 15540
	0500-0530	9500 11040 11670 11740 11800 12080
	0500-0530	
	0530 0500	15500 15540
	0530-0600	11040 11670 11800 15500 15540
	0600-0630	9500 11040 11670 11740 11800 12080
		15500 15540 15570
	0630-0900	6895 9500 11040 11670 11740 11800
		12080 15500 15540 15570
	0900-0930	6895 7200 9064 9500 11740 11800
		12080 15500 15540 15570

0930-1000		0 9064 9500 9810 11740 080 15500 15540 15570	1500-1557 2300-2357	Russian Russian	4883 4815 7110 4815
1000-1030 4850 6895 7200 9064 9500 9810		(NDXC/EDXP/Padula-AUS)			
•	11/40 118	800 12080 15500 15540	CHINA—TA	NIWAN Radi	o Taipei International
1030-1100		0 6895 7200 9064 9500 9810			vices, as of 1-January:
		740 11800 12080 15500	Variety 1	network (all	in Chinese):
	15540		0000-0100	3335 6085	•
1100-1130		0 6895 7200 9064 9500 9775	0100-0200	3335 6085	9280
		10 11740 11800 15500 15540	0200-0400	9280 11970	)
1130-1200		0 6895 7200 9064 9500 9755	0400-0500	6085 6180	9280 11775 11840 11970
		0 11710 11740 11800 15500	0500-0700	6085 6180	11775 11840 11970
	15540		0700-0800	3335 6085	6180 7285 11840 11970
1200-1300		5075 6890 6895 7200 9064	0800-0900	3335 6085	6180 7285 11840 11970
		5 9775 9810 11710 11730		15125	
1200 1100	11740 118		0900-1000	3335 6085	7285 11840 11970 15125
1300-1400		5075 5163 6890 6895 7200	1000-1100	3335 6085	7285 11775 11840 15125
		9755 9775 11710 11730	1100-1400	3335 6085	6180 11775 11840
1/00 1500	11740 118		1400-1500	3335 6085	6180 9690 11775 11840
1400-1500		0 5010 5075 5163 6890 6895	1500-1700	3335 6085	6180 9690 11775 11840
		5 9064 9500 9755 9775		15125	
1500-1600	11710 11	730 0 5010 5075 5163 6890 6895	1700-1800		6180 9690 11775 11840
1500-1600		5 9064 9500 9755 9775	1800-0000	3335 6085	6180
	11730	3 9004 9300 9733 9773	News ne	twork (all in	Chinese):
2058-2230		5075 5163 6895 7200 7315	0000-0100	•	9610 9630 15125
2030-2230		0 9755 9775 11730	0100-0300	6040 7250	9630
2230-2300		5 5163 6895 7200 7315 9064	0300-0400	6040 7250	
2230-2300		5 9775 11730 11800	0400-0500		9610 9630 11725
2300-2330		5 6895 7200 7315 9064 9500	0500-0600	7105 9610	
2300-2330		5 9810 11730 11800	0600-0900	7105 11725	
2330-0000		5 7200 7315 9064 9500 9775	0900-1100	6040 7105	7250 9630 11725
2330 0000		70 11710 11730 11800	1100-1200		7105 7250 9630 11725
ourn 16			1200-1400	6040 7105	7250 9630 11725
	orities servi		1400-1500	5950 6040	7105 7250 9630 11725
0030-0130	Tibetan	8566 11375	1500-1600	6040 7105	7250 9630 11725
0130-0230		10260 11375 11630	1600-1800	6040 7105	7250 9630
0230-0330	Kazakh	10260 11375 11630	1800-2200	6040 7105	7250
1000-1100	Korean	8566 9920	2200-2300	5950 6040	7105 7250 9610 11725
1100-1200	Tibetan	1 4190 5420		11860 1512	25 15440
1200-1300	Hoetan	4820-L 5950-L 5995-L 6110-L 6130-L 6200-L	2300-0000	5950 6040	7105 7250 9610 9630
		8566 9390 9565 9755		11725 1186	50 15125 15440
		11740	Dialect r	etwork:	
1300-1400	Uighur	3990-U 4735-u 8566 9390	0000-0100	Hakka	11745
	3.	10260 11630	0000-0500	Cantonese	
1400-1500	Kazakh	4330-u 4970-u 8566 9390	0100-0200	Cantonese	11550
		10260 11630	0100-0200	Hakka	15345
1500-1600	Mongolia	n 9390 8566 9390 10260	0200-0300	Amoy	11550 11915
		11375 11630	0200-0400	Hakka	7130
2130-2226	Korean	4190 5420	0300-0400	Amoy	11915
2330-0030	Mongolia	n 4190 5420	0500-0600	Amoy	11745
L-Lhasa, U-	Urumai (BR	CM)	0500-0600	Cantonese	
			0800-0900	Amoy	11745
Some ser	vices are ca	rried over the Hohhot trans-	0900-1000	Hakka	15345
		gu Automnomous Region:	0900-1400	Cantonese	9690
0000-0057	Russian	7110 4815	1000-1100	Amoy	7130 11550 15345
1000-1057	Russian	9725 7110	1000-1100	Cantonese	7445 9610 11915 15270
1100-1157	Russian	9725 7110	1000-1100	Mongolian	11905
1200-1257	Mongolia		1100-1200	Cantonese	15270
1300-1357	Russian	4883 4815	1100-1200	Tibetan	11905
1400-1457	Mongolia	n 4883 4815	1200-1300	Cantonese	9765

1200-1300 1300-1400 1300-1400 1400-1500 1500-1600	Uighur Amoy Cantonese Hakka Hakka	11905 7130 11860 9765 15345 15345 9610	CLANDESTINE—AFRICA Voice of Peace and Democracy of Eritrea was first observed on 1st February 1999. It opposes the Eritrean government and describes itself as a broadcast of the People's Democratic Forces of Eritrea. It is transmitted via the fa-
External	services:		cilities of Voice of the Tigre Revolution, a pro-
0100-0200	Chinese	17845 15215 11845	Ethiopian government station based in Mekele, cap-
0100-0200	Japanese	15270 11745	ital of Tigre region in northern Ethiopia.
0100-0200	Spanish	11825 15215	1430–1500 Tigrigna 6315 5500 Mo/We/Fr
0200-0300	English	11740 9680 5950 11745	1430–1500 Kunaminga 6315 5500 Tu/Th/Sa
	<b>J</b>	11825 15345	(BBCM)
0300-0400	English	5950 9680 11745 11825 15345	COLOMBIA 4974.99 Ondas del Orteguaza, Floren-
0400-0500	Chinese	5950 9680 7130 11825 15270 15345 SEAs	cia, Caqueta, 2345 making one of its infrequent ap- pearances with nortena-sounding mx and baladas, IDs and time checks by M between most songs,
0400-0500	Spanish	11740	strong signal but distorted audio. Full ID with fre-
0600-0700	German	9985	quencies and calls 0001: "Somos TODELAR, somos
0600-0700	Spanish	5950	profesionales." (2-Feb/Novello-NC)
0600-0700	Thai	15270 15345	
0700-0800	Chinese	7130	CONGO—DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC Although
0700-0800	English	5950	this station continues to identify itself as "RTNC
0700-0800	French	7520	Bukavu" (RTNC = Radio-Television Nationale Congo-
0800-0900		7130 11550 11915	laise) it is currently controlled by rebel forces of the
0900-1000	Chinese	7445 9610 11550 11745 11915	Congolese Rally for Democracy (RCD) and no longer relays programming from RTNC in Kinshasa.
1100~1200	Indonesian		0400-0630 Multilingual 6713.3U
1100-1200	Japanese	7130 15345	0900-1800 Multilingual 6713.3U
1200-1300	Chinese	11745 15270	News in French at 0430, 1030, 1630; news in
1200-1300	English	9610	*Swahili 0630. (BBCM)
1200-1300	Indonesian		·
1390-1500	English	15125	CROATIA Croatian Radio
1305-1400	Russian	15695 9610	External service
1400-1500	Japanese	7130 11745	0000-0200 Croatian/SS* 9925
1400-1500	Thai	11860 15270	0200-0600 Croatian/EE* 6130
1500-1600		11745 15345	0600-1000 Croatian/EE* 13820
1705-1800	Russian	9955	, and the second
1800-1900	French	17555	* News on the hour
1800-1900	German	9955	Studio Zagreb first program
1900-2000	Chinese	9955 15600 17750	0000-0500 Croatian 6165
2000-2100	Arabic	9630 11775	0500-0600 Croatian 7305
2000-2100	French	11665	0600-0730 Croatian 7305 9830
2000-2100	Spanish	11665	0730-0800 Croatian 6165 7305 9830
2100-2200	German	15600 17750	0800-1000 Croatian 6165 7185 9830
2200-2300	English	9985 5810	1000-1600 Croatian 6165 7185 9830 13830
2200-2300	Thai	7445	1600-1630 Croatian 6165 7185 7525 9830 13830
2300-0000	Spanish	9690 11720	1630-1730 Croatian 7525 9830 13830
2300-0000	vietnamese	11745 15345	1730-1800 Croatian 7525 13830
Voice of	Asia:		1800-2000 Croatian 5890 7525
0300-0700	Chinese	7285	2000-2030 Croatian 5890
0700-1100	Chinese	9280	2030-2100 Croatian 5890 6165
1100-1200	English	7445	2100- <b>2</b> 200 Croatian 9860j
1100-1300	Chinese	15125	2200-2400 Croatian 6165
1200-1300	Indonesian	7445 11860	News in English:
1300-1500	Chinese	7445	
1500-1600	Thai	7445 15270	
1600-1700	Indonesian		0805-0810 Su
2300-0000	Thai	7445 15270	0905-0910 Mo-Fr
		ueschel-GER)	1005-1010 Su
(2-160\rin-1	MIN DC-DY B	nescuer.orv)	1305-1310 daily
			2005-2010 daily
			2305-2310 daily

CUBA 2440h Radio 26, Central Espana, Matanzas, 0030 2 x 1220, alerted by Pritam Saini in #swl to station here, with mix of Latin American music and Carly Simon's "You're So Vain" riding above the noise level. ID 0045: "Desde Matanzas, La...Transmite Radio Veinte y seis." (1-Feb/Novello-NC)

3600 *R. Rebelde* 0845 Music, no commercials, // 5025; 6 x 600 (14-Feb/Brandi-NJ)

#### ETHIOPIA Radio Ethiopia sked:

External	service:	
1100-1200	Somali-VOP	11800 9560
1200-1300	Somali	9560 7165 990
1300-1400	Afar	9560 7165 990
1400-1500	Arabic	9560 7165 990
1600-1700	English	9560 7165 <b>9</b> 90
1700-1800	French	9560 7165 <b>9</b> 90
1900-2000	Somali-VOP	11800 9560
National	Service	
0300-1100	Multilingual •	9705-v 7110 5990
1100-1400	Multilingual	9705-v 7110 5990 Sa/Su

Multilingual 9705-v 7110 5990

Ethiopian Radio announced Feb 9 that it was adding new broadcast hours to keep listeners informed of army movements at war fronts: 0600–0800 in Amharic, English, Arabic, Oromo, Tigrinya, Afar and Somali; and in all the same languages at 1200–1500 on the 31 and 41mbs. Morning 0400–0600 in Amharic and Oromo, 0800–1100 in Amharic and English remain unaffected, as well as evenings after 1500 (BBCM/World of Radio/Hauser) Not clear whether the 0600–0800 are also on the 31m and 41m bands, and whether previously used national frequencies 9705v and 7110 still apply, or external service frequencies 9560, 7165 (Hauser-OK)[And I'm not clear whether this is reflected in the BBCM sked above-AQ]

#### Radio Fana

(BBCM)

1500-2000

Amharic/Oromo	6940 6210
Amharic/Oromo	6940 6210 Sa/Su
Amharic/Oromo	6940 6210
Amharic/Oromo	6940 6210 Sa/Su
Somali	6940 6210
Amharic/Oromo	6940 6210
Amharic/Oromo	6940 6210 Mo-Fr
	Amharic/Oromo Amharic/Oromo Amharic/Oromo Somali Amharic/Oromo

Voice of the Tigray Revolution supports the Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Democratic Front (EPDRF, the country's ruling party). It transmits from Mekele, Tigray, in Northern Ethiopia 0400-0500 Tigrigna 6315 5500 0500-0900 Tigrigna 6315 5500 Sa/Su

 0500-0900
 Tigrigna
 6315 5500 Sa/Su

 0930-1030
 Tigrigna
 6315 5500 Mo-Fr

 1130-1630
 Tigrigna
 6315 5500 Sa/Su

 1500-1900
 Tigrigna
 6315 5500 Mo-Fr

 6315 5500 Mo-Fr
 6315 5500 Mo-Fr

FINLAND Radio Finland A99 [I don't like listing schedules in this format, but it's all I had to work with-AQ]:

6120	0300-2130	
6135	1900-2045	
6180	0700-0800	
6180	1300-1400	
9560	0530-0700	
9560	0900-0945	
9630	1400-1900	
9655	0400-0530	
9695	1600-1630	
9795	1400-1900	
9860	0400-0530	
9865	2130-2230	
11755	0400-2130	
11845	2130-2230	
13755	1000-1100	
15250	0600-0700	
15400	1200-1500	
15440	0400-0530	
17670	1200-1400	
17820	0700-0900	
21465	1100-1200	
21595	1000-1100	
21670	0600-0900	
21670	1500-1600	4
21670	0700-0900	

(18-Feb/Mujenen/EDXP/Padula-AUS)

#### GERMANY Deutsche Welle, Operational Schedule B-98 (Update Mar 1999)

Change:				
Arabic	1300- 1600	12015	Krasnodar	(ex-9860)
Chinese	1000- 1050	9450	Petropavl.	(ex-5895)
Chinese	1000- 1050	15610	Novosibir.	(ex-7390)
Chinese	1330- 1355	9450	Petropavl.	(ex-5895)
Chinese	1330- 1355	15610	Novosibir.	(ex-7305)
English	0200- 0250	12045	Samara	(ex-9815)
English	0900- 0950	15470	Irkutsk	(ex-12055)
German	1000- 1400	12000	Novosibir.	(ex-7315)
German	1000- 1400	13810	Novosibir.	(ex- Petropavl- K.)
German	1000- 1400	15490	Novosibir.	(ex-9480)
German	1400- 1800	12055	Samara	(ex-7315)
German	1600- 2000	9830	Moscow	(ex-7445)
German	2200-	7340	Novosibir.	(ex-5925)

<sup>\*</sup>Includes English from 1030-1100 (BBCM)

Indonesia	1100- 1125	11895	Trincomate	(ex-11775)
Japanese	1230- 1300	12055	Novosibir.	(ex-7305)
Persian	1800- 1850	7305	Krasnodar	(ex-5965)
Romanian	2000- 2100	9470	Samara	(ex-6000)
Delete:				
German	1000- 1400	7340	Petropavl.	
Russian	1600- 2000	5945	Samara	

(DW Plus magazine, March 1999/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

Brother Stair in English via Jülich, changes from Feb 4: 1330–1730 6010 to EUR—new time -, (x1500–1700), 1800–2000 deleted 6130 EUR. 1800–2000 add 13810.

Transmissions of AWR in Turkish via Jülich not yet begun: 0500-0530 5890 & 2100-2130 9470 via Jülich. 2130- 2200 7105 via Forli (Italy). (15-Feb/PanIview-BUL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

ICELAND Rikisutvarpid sent a new style QSL along with this sked:

1215-1300 13685 15575 1410-1440 11402 13860 1855-1930 5055 7735 9275. 1935-2010 11402 13860 2300-2335 9275 11402

(1-Feb/Liangas-GRC)

INDONESIA 3224.8 RRI Tanjung Pinang. Reading of Holu Koran at 1121. Instrumental music at 1124. At 1130 time pips and ID by M as "Pukul delapan belas tiga puluh menit Waktu Indonesia Barat. Radio Republik Indonesia Tanjung Pinang dengan Warta Berita Daerah" then local news. No IS before local news and ending music was "Garuda Pancasila." Talk by M at 1140 then local pops. Fair. (20-Feb/YamadaJPN/Jembatan DX)

3905.0 *RRI Merauke*. Local pops at 1155. SCI at 1158. Jakarta news relay at 1200. ID by M at 1216 then military program as "Angkatan Bersenjata." In the program, march "Mars ABRI" was heard. Fair to poor. (20-Feb/Yamada-JPN/Jembatan DX)

4766.0 RRI Medan. Local pops at 1251. Announcement of Programa Satu at 1258. then SCI. Jakarta news relay at 1300. ID by M at 1316 as "Saudara kembali...Radio Republik Indonesia Nusantara Satu Medan, Programa Satu." then local pops. (16-Feb/Yamada-JPN/Jembatan DX)

4777.1 RRI Jakarta, Kebayoran. Not heard recently. (12-Feb/Yamada-JPN/Jembatan DX)

4874.5 RRI Sorong. Stretching exercise program at 2053 which announcer was shouting numbers as "Satu, Dua, Tiga,...Delapan." Advertisement at 2056 then announcement of connecting Jakarta news and

SCI. Jakarta news relay at 2100. ID by W at 2106 then local pops. Religious talk at 2110. Papua Island style song at 2125. ID at 2128 and IS. Local news entitled "Warta Berita" at 2130. The signal was faded down at 2145. Fair to poor. (20-Feb/Yamada-JPN/Jembatan DX)

5040 RRI Pekanbaru, 1155 listed the one here and just above the noise level with music before TOH, talk after—but SCI came through beautifully three times just before 1200. Hoped to hear local ID, but seemed to be silence for at least a minute after SCI. (19-Feb/Novello-NC)

6071.0 *RRI Jayapura*. Jakarta news relay at 2003. ID by M at 2006 then chorus music program. (19-Feb/Yamada- JPN/Jembatan DX)

9565.0 RRI Jakarta, Bonto Sunggu. ID by M at 1257 as "Inilah Radio Republik Indonesia Jakarta, Programa Nasional" then SCI. "Warta Berita Ekonomi Keuangan dan Industri" at 1300. ID of Programa Satu, time announcement, and program guidance at 1306 then local pops. ID again at 1329 and followed to wayang kulit. Fair. (13-Feb/Yamada-JPN/Jembatan DX)

9860 RRI Jakarta. New frequency with Programa Satu at 1100–1200 causing severe co channel to R. Free Asia Lao program. Maybe ex 9680kHz or an error reversing the 6 & the 8 digits at the transmitter site? (12-Feb/Tyson-AUS/Jembatan DX/Yamada-JPN)

11860.0 RRI Jakarta, Cimanggis. "Warta Berita" at 1203 and local pops and W talks at 1209. This was Programa Satu in // with 15125kHz. Chinese station on the same frequency interfered with the signal. Programa Dua frequencies were not heard today. (14-Feb/Yamada-JPN/Jembatan DX)

KAZAKHSTAN Here is a new observed shortwave schedule of Kazakh Radio (Feb 10-11):

0000-0300 6230 7240 0300-0400 7240 13830 0400-0600 13830 15250 0600-0900 15250 17825 1200-1400 15250 17825 1400-1500 11570 15250 1500-1800 9505 11570

Programs from Astana studio: 0000-0100 and 0700-0900, other time from Almaty studio.

Ican add that these two transmitters are located in the Kazakhstan territory and you could hear their signals on 9505 (2nd program) and 11950 (1st program) in the past. But now there is a single program in Russian and Kazakh on all frequencies and with the interval signals and ID jingle in Kazakh at the beginning of each hour. The signal level on all frequencies is more high than on 9505 and 11950 (I think the new aerials azimuth is also in use)...(Timofeyev-RUS)

6230 Kazakh Radio, 2330 presumed the one with nonstop ranting by M in a language I couldn't identify. 2342 switched over to a program of regional pop mx—some with a central Asian or Turkish flair—announced by both M and W, on some occasions in Russian, sometimes in another language. This continued straight through until 0300 carrier drop, with nothing special at the top or bottom of any hour. This station has been heard by Pritam Saini and others in #swl since about Feb 5. (9-Feb/Novello-NC)

#### KUWAIT Latest schedule of Radio Kuwait:

ING IIII Dat	cat acrica	ate of Madio Manatt.
0000-0200	Arabic	11675
0200-0400	Arabic	6055 11675 15495
0400-0445	Arabic	6055 11675 15495 15505
0445-0530	Arabic	6055 11675 15110 15495
		15505
0530-0805	Arabic	6055 15110 15495 15505
0805-0815	Arabic	6055 15110 15495
0815-0900	Arabic	6055 15110 15495 15505
0900-0930	Arabic	6055 15110 15495 15505
		17885
0930-1305	Arabic	6055 13620 15495 15505
		17885
1305-1315	Arabic	13620 15505 17885
1315-1505	Arabic	9880 13620 15110 15505
		17885
1505-1605	Arabic	9880 13620 15110 15505
1605-1615	Arabic	9880 15110 15505
1615-1730	Arabic	9880 11990 15110 15505
1730-1740	Arabic	9880 11990 15505
1740-1745	Atabic	9880 11990
1745-1800	Arabic	9880 11990 15505
1800-2100	English	11990

(Website Min of Information/JKB/DXM/WDXC-GER Jan 99/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

9855 9880 15495 15505

9855 15495 15505

9855 15495

Arabic

Arabic

Arabic

1800-2130

2130-2300

2300-2400

LIBERIA 3450 R. Veritas 2216 highlife vocals constantly interrupted by comments from announcer, including one with mention of Liberia, but so brief that I couldn't tell if they were in English or vernacular. Cut off abruptly at 2224 and hadn't returned by 2230 recheck. Clear and steady, though not particularly strong. (13-Feb/Hill-MA)

LITHUANIA Here's something I read in World Media (BBCM) 6/99[6/99? Do you get advance copies??-AQ]: Radio Baltic Waves has received funds and is now able to get things going. Interesting detail: According to Rimantas Pleikys, the target isn't Belarus anymore, but rather the Russian & Belarussian minorities living in Lithuania, thus trying to nip protests from these countries in the bud. But since SW has no frontiers...I'm curious when they will start broadcasting. There were test transmissions in November 1998. (11-Feb/Kuhl/ADXB-OE/DSWCI DX Window/Petersen-DEN)

Following the tests of R.Baltic Waves and the successful funding for this project, the Belarusian telecom authorities have now put the signal of Belarusian Radio 1 on 6230/6235 which was supposed to be the frequency choice for RBW. The signal is very wide and seems to be in FM mode. Email reception reports are urgently needed to <ri>plei@Irs.lt>. Rimantas Pleikys (riplei@Irs.lt) (Project Coordinator RBW) (14-Feb/HCDX/DSWCI DX Window/Petersen-DEN)

First heard on Feb 13. The station was on the air throughout Feb 13, and continued. the following day, Feb 14, with the same jammer-like distorted (FM?) signal of Belarussian Radio. R. Baltic Waves is a project to broadcast radio programs from Lithuania into Belarus, reflecting views of Belarussian opposition movements, in contrast to Lukashenko's official propaganda. (Zilionis-LIT/NU/DSWCI DX Window/Petersen-DEN)

MADAGASCAR 3287.8 RTV Malagasy Antananarivo; Talata-Volondry, 2000–2100 Malagasy. vocals, Afrojazz/Afropop session. One or two lesser known "Western" styled items with French/English but for the most local African music was played. Announcements were few and far between, made by a M announcer. They were almost inaudible due to a strong echo. It was only with 2100\* that a clear full ID was given in Malagasy and French. Anthem and IS proceeded transmitter switchoff. Nothing heard on // 5009v (30-Jan/Clemitson/DSWCI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN)

Unidentified new station noted on 5590 in Malagasy language; distorted audio and QRN prevented ID. Sudden s/off at 1845\*. Wonder if this station is ticensed (like RTM and AWR) or not (like RTV Analamanga [5950] and R. Tsioka Vao [6075]). (20-Feb/Vaghjee-MAU/Rev. of Int. B'casting/Hauser-OK)

MALAYSIA Sibu 5005 not heard recently, if this disappearance turns out to be permanent that leaves just the following 4 HF freqs active in Sarawak (all exc 7130 noted with NA at s-off 1459, 2 Feb): 4895 Kuching, 6050 Sibu, 7130 Kuching (daytime only, noted with IS at 0059 s-on 3 Feb), 7270 Kuching.

Radio Malaysia Ch 4 in English noted 2 Feb \*0135-0147 on 11885 with tinny audio//7295, off abruptly, presumably a transmitter test—same freq carried VoM Chinese 1030-1230. (4-Feb/Davies-CBG/BC-DX/Bueschel- GER)

MALI Latest sked for China Radio International relays via Bamako:
0100-0157 Spanish 9665

0830-0857	Hausa	7170
1400-1457	English	15125 13685
1500-1557	English	15125 13685
1600-1657	Arabic	15125 13685
1700-1727	Swahili	15125 11970
1730-1757	Hausa	15125 11970

1800-1827	Hausa	15125 11970		
1830-1927	Arabic	15530 13685		
1930-2037	Portug.	15500 11975		
2000-2057	English	15500 11975		
2100-2127	English	15500 11975		
2130-2227	French	15500 11975		
2230-2257	Chinese	15500 11975		
2300-2357	Chinese	11975 7170		
(NDXC/EDXP/Padula-AUS)				

MARIANA ISLANDS R. Free Asia has adjusted its sked for Chinese programming from the KHBI Saipan relay. Now noted on 9455 \*2000-2100 (x9355), heavily jammed by CNR Dom service co-channel and "[white?] noise." 9355 is still jammed with CNR Domestic Service programming even though RFA has vacated that channel! (17-Feb/Padula-AUS/EDXP)

MEXICO Reactivated is 9600.15, R. UNAM [XEYU], 0628-0701\* Feb 19, tnx Bojorge tip in DX-Window, definitely back on. Tune-in to non-stop classical solo piano concerto till 0645, then M with, "Estamos [sic] sintonia con R. UNAM. en un momento. sistema Mexicana..." and continued with chatter, referencing local events, upcoming prgmng and the public appearance schedule of "el Presidente de la Republica." Fill mx 0658, then "El fin de transmision. radio ciudad nacional. XEUN-FM, 96.1 estereofonico. buenas noches," followed by orchestral NA from 0659. Clear and very good. (Kreuger-FL/NU/BC-DX/Rev. of Int. B'casting/Hauser-OK)

NEPAL 5005.3 //3229.75, Radio Nepal, at 1700 Feb 21. As far as I can remember, Nepal hasn't been off freq on the 5005 transmitter. I am sure some Nuers can correct me on that! I think Roland Schulze-PHL observed that Radio Malaysia in Sibu on 5005 has been off the air. I confirm that I too observed the stn off from about late Jan. (21-Feb/Goonetille-ke-SLK/UADX/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

NORWAY R. Norway International will no longer issue OSL cards due to "tight economic budgets and reduction of staff." The Technical Manager, Olav Grimdalen, is interested in reports, even though he cannot send out QSLs, and his addr is: Post-og Teletilsynet, Box 524, Centrum, N-0105 Oslo, Norway. (25-Jan/EDXP/Padula-AUS)

Radio Denmark (via Norway) from 1930-2030 now using 15705 (ex-11635) and 13650 (ex-9810). (Koie/R. Denmark/Costello-NJ)

PAKISTAN R. Pakistan Urdu WS 0800-1120 on v15527.71 and 17835.21. (31-Jan/Bueschel/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

R. Pakistan noted 19 and 20 Jan. on approx 15483 with Utdu 0100-0230 and English dictation news 0230-0245. English 0230-0245 also heard with very poor modulation on 15240v. (actually around 15238 on the 19th, 15239.5 on 20th). (20-Jan/Davies-CBG/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

Some freq	changes	of R. Pakistan:
0500-0700	Urdu	NF 11750.0 (x11725), NF
		15172.7 (x15175.2), //
		17555.2
0800-1120	Urdu/	NF 15527.7 (x15530.2), //
	English	17835.2 + spurs 17758v/
		17912v
1000-1030	Thai	NF 15325 (x15320), re-ex
		15340
1200-1230	Chinese	NF 15427.7 (x15430.2), //
		11895
1330-1530	Urdu ,	NF 15462.7 (x15465)
1600-1630	English	NF 15462.7 (x15465)
1700-1730	Turkish	NF 9770.0 (55544) (x13580),
		//12016

(1-Feb/PanIview-BUL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

PERU 4039.2 Radio Marginal, Tocache, 0059-0105, Spanish, ads, folklore music, several ID's "Esta es su Radio Marginal," "la radio que piensa en ti, la radio de todo el Peru," "Radio Marginal la radio total" (29-Jan/Eramo/DSWCI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN)

4534.14 Radio Horizonte, Chiclayo, Lambayeque, 0110 beautiful, extreme high Andes guitar and harp vocals, ID 0120 "Esta es Horizonte, transmite desde Chiclayo." Nearly as loud as Ecos del Torbes tonight. (1-Feb/Novello-NC)

5470.78 Radio San Nicolas, Rodriguez de Mendoza, 1140-1155, poor signal, Rustic Peruvian folklore program. At 1153 ID was given as "Uds esta en la sintonia de Radio San Nicolas, La Voz del Oriente Peruano, transmitiendo desde el majetuoso valle de Huayabamba, Provincia de Rodriguez de Mendoza, Departamento de Amazonas, Republica del Peru." (30-Jan/TIN/DSWCI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN)

5700 R. Frecuencia San Ignacio, San Ignacio, 0106-0112, Sp relig progr and mx, ID "R Frecuencia San Ignacio presento." (12-Feb/Eramo-ARG/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

5773.72 Radio Manantial, Jaen, Cajamarca (tentative location), 1035 new station with Christian religious format. Local songs with "Jesucristo" and "Aleluya" lyrics, long religious discussion between M and W, occasional echo-ey M DJ. ID 1116: "Desde la villa acogedora de la...de Jaen, tierra de los bravos pachamuros, region nororiental del Maranon, surge una voz valiente y detenida al servicio del ministerio evangelistico, la patria y la cultura. Es Radio Manantial, la Voz del Nororiente Peruano, en su frecuencia de los cinco mil setecientos punto 7 MHz, en onda corta, en la banda internacional de los 49 metros. Transmite R Manantial, llegando a todos los pueblos mas lejanos de nuestro territorio patrio...interdenominacionales. musica cristiana, reportajes, mensajes musicales, Radio Manantial, la Voz del Nororiente Peruano." I managed to get about 2/3 of that, and many thanks to Henrik Klemetz for repairing my phonetic transcription and filling in the gaps (including the station name itself). Very strong signal this morning. (4-Feb/Novello-NC)

5906.84 Radio Panorama, Lucmapampa, 1105-1134, thanks to a tip of Rafael Rodriguez, Review of International Broadcasting Jan 25 via Glenn Hauser, signal was poor. Playing nice carnavalitos cajamarquinos and mentioned several IDs including as "Desde Lucmapampa, Provincia de Celendin, esta es la nueva senal de Radio Panorama...en la banda internacional de 49 metros onda corta." No nominal frequency was given. Radio Panorama is broadcasting from Lucmapampa, capital of the District of Jorge Chavez in the Province of Celendin, Department of Cajamarca, Peru. Lucmapampa was officially founded on September 30, 1862. It is a sleepy village which lies at an altitude of 2,624 meters. (30-Jan/TIN/DSWCI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN)

6895.27 Radio San Miguel de El Faique, San Miguel, Piura, 1208 rhythmic Andean popular music, M announcer with echo effect, program seemed to be called "Aquarela Tropical Andina." ID 1211 "R San Miguel, el totalmente musica!" (7-Feb/Novello-NC)

Regarding Radio Panorama on 5906.8, the location is definitely Recopampa, as I originally reported. It is not a district but one of 24 "caserios" in the District of Sorochuco. I have heard it again one morning relaying R. La Voz de los Andes, 1400 which definitely transmits from Sorochuco. I doubt that Inoue, who claims it is in Lucmapampa, has actually heard it, and Moore's agreement about this is a case of the blind leading the blind. I hate to be argumentative about this, but the record must be set straight (24-Feb/Rodriguez-COL/Rev. of Internation Broadcasting/Hauser-OK)

PHILIPPINES Radio Veritas Asia Manila broadcasts in Filipino (Tagalog) are now:

1500-1525 9670

1525-1555 9670 We/Fr/Su

2230-2255 6075

Russian services are:

0230-0255 11805 0300-0325 11805

1430-1455 9660

1500-1555 9660

(11-Feb/Padula-AUS/EDXP)

ROMANIA v9616.38 RRI Bucharest's multilingual morning service using unstable transmitter at 0600-0656, which is registered on 9625. //7105, 9510, and 11775. (13-Feb/Bueschel-GER/BC-DX)

RUSSIA One of those Mayak-DSB-outlets was audible here today on 5264 with "Podmoskovnyie Vechera" IS at 0700. (14-Feb/Erbe-GER/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

Radiostn. Tikhy Okean now found on new 17675 at 0815-0900 which presumably replaces 17570. (17- Feb/Green-UK/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

A nice listing on the status of some longtime Russian shortwave transmitters, carrying both Radio Rossii relays and local programs. Callsigns (!) are included [first time in my 37 years of DXing I've ever seen callsigns for Russian broadcast xmtrs-AO1: 4030 15 kW RV-215 switched off Anadyr 4040 5 kW RV-865 2200-1800 Tura 4050 15 kW RV-676 switched off Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk 4485 15 kW RV-147 0000-2000 Yzykovo switched off Petropavlovsk-4485 100 kW RV-656 Kamchatskiy 4520 2 kW RV -667 1800-1400 Palana 4610 15 kW RV-737 switched off Komsomolskna-Amure 4795 50 kW RV-44 2200-1800 Ulan-Ude 4820 50 kW RV-703 0000-2000 Khanty-Mansivsk 50 kW RV-725 4825 2000-1600 Yakutsk 80 kW 4860 RV-438 2000-1600 Chita 4895 50 kW RV-700 0000-2000 Tumen 5015 100 kW RV-441 switched off Tavrichanka 5290 5 kW RV-1095 0000-1600 Perm 5290 50 kW RV-98 2200-1800 Krasnovarsk 50 kW 5930 RV-790 0200-2200 Monchegorsk 5940 100 kW RV-1001 1800-1400 Arman 6060 5 kW 2000-1600 Blagoveschensk 6095 3 kW RV-1472 0000-1600 Khanty-Mansivsk 6125 5 kW RV-1327 0200-1600 Yoshkar-0la 6160 40 kW RV-297 0200-2200 Arkhangelsk 50 kW 7140 RV-726 2000-1600 Yakutsk 7185 3 kW RV-1094 switched off Perm 7200 5 kW RV-1326 0200-1600 Yoshkar-Ola 7200 100 kW RV-729 2000-1600 Yakutsk 7210 100 kW RV-914 2000-1600 Khabarovsk 7320 100 kW RV-647 1800-1400 Arman 7345 50 kW RV-727 2000-1600 Yakutsk 9530 100 kW RV-646 1800-1400 Arman 100 kw RV-645 1800-1400 Arman 9600 11650 5 kW RV-1095 1605-2000 Perm 11840 15 kW RV-677 1800-1400 Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk 15165 5 kW RV-1326 1605-2200 Yoshkar-Ola 15200 3 kW RV-1094 switched off Perm 15235 3 kW RV-1472 1605-2000 Khanty-Mansiysk 15315 5 kW RV-1327 1605-2200 Yoshkar-Ola

(Rudnev-RUS)

SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA Holy Quran program in Arabic: 0300-0600 on NF 9739.9 (44554) (x9618.3), / /9553.5, 9718.3 and nominal 11935, 17720. (1-Feb/Panlview-BUL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER) BSKSA Riyadh at 0650 and 0745 11818.51 and 11868.41. (14-Feb/Bueschel-GER/BC-DX)

SEYCHELLES	FEBA cha	anges: 1515-1530 in Azeri		
(Fri Sat Sun), 1530-1600 in Persian daily, 1600-				
		i daily all on NF 11695		
(x11665).	(1-Feb/Panl	Iview-BUL/BC-DX/Bueschel-		
GER)				
1000-1058	Tagalog	15460 (ex-15540) Fri		
1100-1130	Arabic	15460 (ex-15540)		
1145-1200	Tsanga	15460 (ex-15540) Sa/Su		
1145-1200	Nepali	15460 (ex-15540) Mo/Tu		
1200-1230	Tibetan	15460 (ex-15540)		
1300-1330	Malayalam	11665 (ex-11600)		
1300-1330	Malayalam	11665 (ex-11600)		

(15-Feb/PanIview-BUL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

SIERRA LEONE Sierra Leone Broadcasting System back on air. SLBS, following damage to its offices and library of recordings, is now back on air, being local nx once again. During the rebel occupation of Freetown, two staff members of SLBS—a M and a W—were killed. Some staff are still missing. Cyril Juxon-Smith, the Officer in Charge of SLBS, reports that SLBS is appealing for tapes and discs to replace something of what has been lost. (16-Feb/Commonwealth Broadcasting Association/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER) [no clue as to the status of the shortwave operation-AQ]

SLÓVAKIA AWR via Rimavska Sobota. Seemingly AWR will use the Rimavska Sobota facilities in Slovakia again more extensive in the upcoming A99 season, especially also to cover EUR. Lothar Klepp of AWR's German section ("Stimme der Hoffnung") announced today, that their programming, which uses on SW currently just the tiny Forli/Italia 2500 watts outlet, is to be carried via Rimavska Sobota again, namely 1300–1330 on 7230 and 1700–1730 on 7240. They are interested in reception reports, especially about 7240. Note: 7230 will also be on air from Forli for other slots, incl German 0900–0930 and 1200–1230. (19-Feb/Ludwig-GER/BC-DX/Bue-schel-GER)

SOMALIA 11204.117, Radio Mogadishu, anthem at 1958:30 Feb 3, then English ID by M, "This is R. Mogadishu. The headlines!" Into nx progr by YL. (7-Feb/Rippel-VA/NU/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER) 11204—Radio Mogadishu—Voice of the People has changed freq on 17 Feb to 6754U and went off as usual after Qur'an recital and NA. Next day it moved to 6540U where it remains as of this writing. (18-Feb/Vadhiee-MAU/Rev. of Int, B'casting/Hauser-OK)

11204 has been heard around 0400 and again at 1130 to 2100 but after having changed freq (6540) it is being heard around 1500-2100 (21-Feb/Vaghjee-MAU/Rev. of Int. B'casting/Hauser-0K) [Now I am confused...is this on 11204 or 6540 now?-A0]

Meyerton:		
0330-0400	Amharic	7215 Sa/Su
0330-0400	Oromo	7215 We-Fr
0330-0400	Tigrinya	7215 Mo/Tu
1527-1542	Yao(FEBA)	7265
1542-1557	Sena(FEBA)	7265
1600-1630	KiRundi	9530
1630-1700	Borana	9530 Mo
1630-1700	Oromo	9530 Tu-Su
1630-1700	Tigrinya	11705
1640-1655	Somali	9650
1657-1712	Juba	9650 Th-Sa
1657-1712	Shuwa	9650 Mo-We
1657-1727	Arabic	9650 Su
1725-1830	Amharic	9530
1830-1900	Bambara	9685
1830-1900	Fulfulde	9510
1830-1900	Hausa	9800
1900-1930	Baoule	9685
1900-1930	Kanuri	9800
1900-1930	Yoruba	9510
1930-2000	French	9685
1930-2000	Nupe	9510
2000-2015	French	9685 Sa/Su
2000-2030	Twi	9510
2030-2045	Ewe	9510 Sa

SOUTH AFRICA New A99 schedule for TWR via

(10-Feb/Schaay-HOL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

Ndebele

0300-0330

**SWAZILAND** New A99 schedule for *TWR* via Manzini:

3200

0300-0330	Swahili	5965
0300-0345	Shona	3240
0345-0400	Lomwe	4775
0400-0430	Chewa	6040 Mo/We/Th/Sa/Su
0400-0430	German	3200
0400-0430	German	4775
0400-0430	Tumbuka	6040 Tu/Fr
0430-0500	Chewa	6040
0430-0500	English	3200
0430-0705	English	4775 Su
0430-0720	English	4775 Sa
0430-0735	English	4775 Mo-Fr
0500-0705	English	6100 Su
0500-0720	English	6100 Sa
0500-0730	English	6100 Mo-Fr
0505-0705	English	9500 Su
0505-0720	English	9500 Sa
0505-0730	English	9500 Mo-Fr
1400-1415	Urdu	15330
1435-1440	Portug	7315 Mo-Fr
1440-1510	Portug	7315
1510-1525	Makua	7315
1510-1555	Malagache	7175
1525-1555	Lomwe	7315
1600-1630	Chewa	6135 We-Mo
1600-1630	Shangaan	4760 Su
1600-1630	SiSwati	1170
1600-1630	Tshwa	4760 Mo-Fr
1600-1630	Tumbuka	6135 Tu

1600-1700	Portug	4760 Sa
1600-1830	English	9500
1630-1645	Portug	4760 Mo-Th
1630-1645	Shangaan	4760 Fr/Su
1630-1658	Chewa	6135
1630-1700	Zulu	1170
1700-1715	Pedi	3200 Su
1700-1715	Sotho	3200 Mo-Sa
1700-1715	Tswana	3200 Mo-Sa
1700-1800	Swahili	9585 Sa/Su
1700-1815	Swahili	9585 Mo-Fr
1715-2215	English	3200
1800-1815	Kimwani	9585 Sa/Su
1800-1830	Ndebele	3240
1800-2045	English	1170
1830-1845	Umbundu	6130
1830-1900	Shona	3240
1845-1900	Chokwe	6130 Mo-We
1845-1900	Luchazi	6130 Th/Sa
1845-1900	Portug	6130 Fr
1845-1915	Portug	6130 Su
1900-1915	KiKongo	6130 We-Fr
1900-1915	Lunyaneka	6130 Sa
1900-1915	Ndau	3240
1900-1915	Portug	6130 Su-Tu
1900-1930	Lingala	9525
1915-1945	Portug	6130
1930-1945	French	9525
1945-2000	French	9525 Sa/Su
1945-2000	Kimbundu	6130
2000-2005	Portug	6130 Mo-Fr

(10-Feb/Schaav-HOL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

TAJIKISTAN 4635.3 Tajik Radio, 0020, pretty flute mx with central Asian flavor, bouncing back and forth between here and 4635.30, IS and "Inia Dushanbe" twice at 0100. (7-Feb/Novello-NC)

THAILAND Dusit Palace Station, Bangkok noted tentatively at \*0440-0500 on 6149.5 4 Feb, but evening transmission 0900-1200 not heard since 26 Jan (4 Feb not checked). Back on 6149.5, 0900-1200 Fri 5 Feb, swamped as usual by Singapore 6150. (4-6-Feb/Davies-CBG/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

TURKEY 5562 Radio Tibe / Nusandor / Fresi Turk Radio 1625 with Turkish songs and brief comments by M. 1700 clock [TPs?-AQ] then news in Turkish. Next day on \*1500 with western songs, retune 1758 Mw/comments, short promo for "Radio Tibe," clock and news. Off at 1930 recheck, (24-Jan/Liangas-GRC)

Last night Jan 27 I heard a Turkish stn on 5562-weak but clear at 1830. Jari Savolainen in FIN reported hearing the TRT dom service Radio 1, which IDs as "Radio Bir" on 5562 a couple of weeks ago. He suspects this is the 6th hx of the Izmir MW transmitter on 927 (6 x 927 = 5562). Quite an interesting one to catch while it lasts! (28-Jan/Kenny-UK/EDXP/Padula-AUS)[So which is it, DX'ers?-AQ]

UKRAINE Since Jan 10th there is no more relay of Radio Ukraine WS on MW and FM in Kazakhstan. At the same time SW transmitters, relaying progrs of Radio Kazakhstan on EUR on the freqs 5905 0200-0400, 9600 0200- 0600, 9620 0700-1600, 11840 0500-1600, were switched off in Kiev. (4-Feb/Egorov/Mikhaylou/RUS-DX/Klepov-RUS/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

URUGUAY 9650 Emisora Ciudad de Montevideo is again on air. Feb 4, 2205-2305, Spanish, lottery and numbers of tombola prizes, advert "Banca Credito," report about carnival "Radio en Carnaval." (8-Feb/ Schnitzer-GER/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

R. Oriental, Montevideo 11735 2143 on Feb 4. (call-in program) 2204 program in Italian "Aqui Roma"(!) 2204- 2220. It program also heard on Feb 5. R Monte Carlo, Montevideo on 9595 2243 max. SIO 232 on Feb 4. Signal varied between 1-2. Sport program. Emisora Ciudad, Montevideo on 9650 2305 SIO 333 (football from Buenos Aires). (11-Feb/Volk-GER/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

USA Frequency changes of various Voice of Ameri-

Amharic	new 13675 co-ch
	Dubai (x7150).
Tigrina/Oromo	new 13675
& Sat/Sun EE	
Creole	new 21485 (x15120).
Urdu/Pashto/	new 9705 (x9505).
Dari	
Portuguese	new 15545 (x15505).
Serbian	new 7125 over VoR En
	(x7130).
Spanish	deleted 12025
Spanish	deleted 12025
Spanish	new 17875 (x15350).
Ukrainian	new 7190 (x7180).
	Tigrina/Oromo & Sat/Sun EE Creole Urdu/Pashto/ Dari Portuguese Serbian Spanish Spanish Spanish

(15-Feb/PanIview-BUL/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

Some inte	resting V	OA relays, from the IBB web
site:		
0800-1000	English	11995 Tinian, Marianas
0800-1000	English	13650 Tinian, Marianas
0930-1000	English	15605 Dushanbe, Tajikistan
1000-1100	Chinese	13650 Tinian, Marianas
1000-1200	Chinese	11995 Tinian, Marianas
1200-1400	Chinese	11825 Tinian, Marianas
1300-1400	Chinese	15250 Tinian, Marianas
1300-1500	Chinese	7390 Novosibirsk, Russia
1600-2220	English	15240 Morocco
1800-1830	English	12025 Tinang, Philippines

KNLS Anchor Point, Alaska, eff. 28 March:

English 6140 Udorn, Thailand

English 9615 Biblis, Germany

0800-0900	English	9615
0900-1000	Russian	9615
1000-1100	Mandarin	9615
1100-1200	Russian	9615
1200-1300	Mandarin	9615
1300-1400	English	9615
1400-1500	Mandarin	9615
1500-1600	Mandarin	9615

1800-1830

1800-1830

1600–1700 Mandarin 9615 1700–1800 Russian 11780 (Bruce Barker)

WGTG McCaysville, Georgia 0000-0300 English 6890U 5085U 0300-0700 English 5085U 3270U 1400-2100 English 9400U 2100-2300 English 9400U 6890U 2300-0000 English 6890U 5085U (BBCM)

UZBEKISTAN/KAZAKHSTAN BBC is now using 17685 (x17675) at 0800-0810 Be from Tashkent-UZB and 0810-0820 Hindi, 0820-0830 Urdu from Almaty-KAZ. (5-Feb/Dasgupta-IND/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

VIETNAM 5034.73v Radio Dai Teng Noi listed here. Hrd 1310-1330 Feb 20 with what sounded to me to be the scheduled Hmong progr, but it HAS been 29 years(!). Hosted by M, fair-poor level. Very brief announcement at 1330, and plug pulled abruptly as per sked. Very tentative. (21-Feb/Bryant-OK/NU/BC-DX/Bueschel-GER)

Here is an observed schedule of two main 100 kW Voice of Vietnam transmitters (Feb 10-11):

All languages as in WRTH (for 9840, 12020 or 15010). I also noted an unusual strong Hanoi HS1 signal on 15471 //5925 and 9875 as a jammer for RFA in Vietnamese at 1400–1500 (10-Feb/Timofeyev-RUS)

WESTERN SAHARA According to the web site of the Polisario Front radio station, National Radio of the Saharan Arab Democratic Republic (http://www.jet.es/rasd/amateur.htm) the radio currently broadcasts on the 31 meter band shortwave frequency of 9902 kHz from 1800-2200, as well as on mediumwave 1550 kHz. (The radio, which began

broadcasting in 1979, is believed to be based in the Western Saharan refugee camps near Tindouf, Algeria. It broadcasts in Arabic and Spanish and is observed on 1550 kHz from 1800-0000 daily. The shortwave outlet has not been confirmed.) (BBCM/Rev. of International Broadcasting/Hauser-OK)

ZIMBABWE 5012 ZBC Gweru, 1745–1801, Vernacular talk in what sounded like a radioplay. At 1755 instrumental tune and announcement by M, mention of Harare. At 1757 popmusic by the Fugees ("Killing me softly..."), with needle skipping over the record. Timecheck, Radio 4 ID, short piece of other popsong. At 1800 ID in English: "This is the Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation, Radio 4," followed by news in English. At 1805 ID: "This news broadcast comes to you from the Voice of Zimbabwe." Probably replacing 4828 kHz., where nothing was heard. (25-Jan/Veldhuis/DSWCI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN)

UNIDENTIFIED 4733 UNID 2245, French-speaking and probably African station with radio play type thing to 2300, then a mix of music to 0000\* after anthem. Suppose one of the west Africans with a punchup error. Thanks to Mark Veldhuis tip in #swl. (25-Jan/Novello-NC/DSWCI DX Window/van den Boogert-TWN)

7100.1 UNID 2149 Middle Eastern vocal at tunein, then instrumentals thereafter, with brief announcements between selections. Intermittent ham slow-scan TV QRM became steady from 2159. At least four pips and 2200 and into talk. Strong carrier but extremely low audio, especially for speech. Sounded a lot like the Baghdad signal that was on 3900v a few weeks ago, but I couldn't tell whether the language was Arabic. (29-Jan/Hill-MA)

YOUR TAX DOLLARS AT WORK BARBECUING BIRDS FROM LONG DISTANCES The High Frequency Active Auroral Research Program (HAARP) site in Gakona, Alaska will be conducting a "Listening Test" in March, 1999. No exact times or frequencies are set as of yet, but more details will be provided as they become available. Their web page about this test is: http://www.haarp.alaska.edu/haarp/hh2.html (Lucien in The Worldwide UTE News (WUN) mailing list. For more information: http://www.gem.net/~berri/wun/ (27-Jan/van den Boogert-TWN/DSWCI DX Window/Rev. of Int. B'casting/Hauser-OK)

# Pirate Radio Report

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Hello and welcome to the March 1999 edition of the PIRATE RADIO REPORT. Activity remains on the low side but there are some items to report.

### **Another FCC Pirate Bust?**

The pirate rumor mill has circulated reports that *Jimmy The Weasel's* pirate operation may have been paid a visit by the FCC in mid-February.

Jimmy's station *WRX* had been very active as of late on 6955 kHz.

Programming left a lot to be desired. Most of it featured Jimmy singing a capella about "your mama" and using profanity and the like. He also loved to yell out the phrase "Y2K" every now and then.

He used two maildrops. The first one was Lula, GA operated by Radio Bob of RBCN. Shortly thereafter Jimmy had a falling out with Bob and established a drop in Plymouth, MA, which is Box 1464, Manomet, MA 02345. If we hear anything definite about Jimmy's status, we'll let you know in the April edition.

# The Free Radio Weekly Changes Hands

The Free Radio Weekly is an email based shortwave pirate newsletter that your editor started in October of 1995 when Cumbre DX stated that they no longer had room to carry North American pirate logs. Since the middle of 1998 it has been North America's only email pirate newsletter when Andy Yoder's Pirate Pages called it quits.

For the past year, veteran Canadian Dxer Niel Wolfish has co-edited the FRW. Last month I officially turned over the reigns to Niel who has recruited Harold Frodge and Greg Majewski as assistant editors.

If you are interested in getting a sample issue of the FRW in your emailbox, send a request to niel@ican.net.

### Loggings...

Although not too plentiful, I want to thank Ross Comeau, Lee Silvi and Bill Wilkins. Please keep 'em coming! We need them!

THE FREAK SHOW, another new one was heard on February 24th at 2315 UTC. They played numerous songs such as "The Day The World Turned Dayglo" and "God" by Germs. [Silvi-OH]

LASER HOT HITS, A Europirate was heard in Massachusetts on 6220 kHz at 0322 UTC on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. oldies were heard along with an email address. [Ross Comeau-MA]

RADIO ONE, a pirate that still uses good ole AM modulation was heard by Bill Wilkins on 6955 kHz at 0015 on January 31st with their usual oldies format. Reception was very good. [Wilkins-MO]

THE RADIO, a new pirate was heard on February 24th at 2223 UTC. Several songs were played along with a station ID. No address was given. [Lee Silvi-OH]

### Pirate Popularity Poll

Now's the time to get your votes in for our annual pirate popularity poll. We need your three favorite shortwave pirate stations that have been active during the past year. Also tell us what you liked about them that you made you vote for them. The deadline for entries is June 1s.

See you at the Winterfest!

Happy Pirate DX!

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# **QSL** Report

Sam Barto 47 Prospect Place Bristol, CT 06010

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Wright. (Humenyk-ONT). AUSTRIA: Radio Austria International 7325 f/d "Imperial Family in Godollo, Hungary" cd. in

16 ds. (Humenyk-ONT).

BELGIUM: Radio Vlaanderen International 21510 f/d "Water Colour Painting" cd. in 26 ds. w/ schedule. (Humenyk).

BONAIRE: Radio Vlaanderen International 17680 f/d cd. w/ site in 16 ds.(Rigas-IL).

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC: Radio MiHURCA ' 9900 f/d "Africa Map" cd. in 11 wks. for an E-mail

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rpt. (Maroti-NY). same in 4 mo. w/ schedule. 9myers-VA). f/d cd. in 2½ mo. for E-mail rpt. (Kohlbrenner-PA).

CHILE: Radio Voz Cristiana 21550 f/d "Tree/ Cross" cd. in 2 wks. for 2 ms. (Wilkins-MO).

1986 11690 f/d cd. in 2 wks.(Stewart-MO). f/d cd. in 19 ds. for a

SP rpt. to the FL addr. w/ \$1.00.(Klinck). COLOMBIA: Caracol Colombia 5076.8 f/d cd. w/ a nice lapel pin in 58 ds. via registered mail for a SP rpt., tape and \$1.00. (Klinck). Radiodifusora Nacional de Colombia 4955 p/d cd. w/ program bulletin in 99 ds. for 1 IRC.(Neal-TX).



SPECIAL OFFER: Your editor has just located 3 more large boxes filled with more than 200,000 stamps. Approximately 60% are large US commemoratives. Our offer still stands: \$10.00 for 1300 foreign stamps and 600 US or \$15.00 for 2300 foreign stamps and 600 US. They make great gifts to enclose with your reception reports. I've received many complementary letters from our members on this offer. Please enclose an extra \$3.00 for priority mail delivery. Overseas orders and those from Canada, please enclose an extra \$5.00 for postage....Sam.





PERU: Radio Tropical 4935 f/d cd. w/ ltr. and stickers in 3 wks. for a

SP rpt. and \$2.00 (Myers-VA).

PUERTO RICO: AFRTS \* 6458.5 p/d ltr. w/ site in 65 ds. v/s Wayne E. Eternicka, Broadcast Operations

Specialist. Addr: Naval Media Center, 2701 S. Cap-itol St., SW, Washington DC 20373-5819. (Rigas-IL). p/d form 1tr. in 10 hours after my

E-mail rpt.(Maroti-NY). SARAWAK: Radio Television Malaysia 5005 via Sibu f/d "Broadcasting House" cd. in 5 wks. for a taped rpt. sent via registered mail. \$1.00 was enclosed w/ rpt. v/s Clement Stia.(Maroti-NY).

SEYCHELLES: FEBA 11600 f/d cd. w/ sticker in 6 wks. for \$1.00.(Myers-VA).

SINGAPORE: Swiss Radio International 12010 via Kranji f/d cd. w/ site in 8 ds. for an E-mail rpt. (Rigas-IL).

SOUTH AFRICA: Trans World Radio 7215 via Meyerton f/d "SEN-TECH Dish Antenna" cd. w/ schedule in 40 ds. for 2 IRCs. v/s Kathy Otto.(Wilkins-MO). 9510 f/d "Cape Town" cd. in 24 ds. w/ schedule.(Humenyk).

HADIO HACIGIAL BEL PARAGUAY FUNDACIÓN: 26 / FEBRERO / 92 NI: TANISMITE CON UNA POTENCIA DE 70 KILOHATIOS EN ANTENA.

EMISIONES EN CHOAS CORTAS:

31 MIS. (9735 KILOCICLOS) 31 HIS, (9/35 KILOCICLOS) 01:00 A 14:00 HORAS, 17:00 A 24:00 HORAS, 25 HIS, (11915 KILOCICLOS) 01:00 A 24:00 HORAS.

OFDA /EDIA: 520 x flocicles

ds. w/ schedule and listeners club info (Borokowski-NY). 9590 same cd. in 75 ds w/schedule and a map of Istanbul. (Humenyk-ONT). I've seen the new QSL card and the photo of the individual on the front reminds me of Bela Lugosi...Sam. UKRAINE: Voice of the Oromo Liberation
\* 11605 personal ltr. in 5 mo. v/s Alemu

45 foot long wire. Greq Myers hopes

everyone has a fine 99 for QSLing.

TURKEY: Voice of Turkey 9655 f/d
"60th Year Anniversary" cd. in 78 NOTES: Jeff Molander says that he now has QSLed 88 countries since he took up the hobby in March of 98. Jeff was a DXer prior to 98 but the bug bit him again. Last month's highlight was receiving QSLs from Pakistan and Bangladesh within a few days of each other. He uses a Grundig Yacht Boy 400 Portable and a

Bedassa, Second Secretary, SBO Committee Europe, P.O. Box 510610, 13366 Berlin, Germany. I also received a brochure that requests donations be sent to: SBO, Verelnsand West Banic AG (sp?), KONTO 3207 669 BLZ 20030000 (what ever that is?) (Field-MI).

USA: AFRTS 12689.5 via Key West p/d ltr. w/ site in 65 ds. v/s and addr

under Puerto Rico. (Rigas-IL). p/d E-mail form 1tr. in 5 ds. The Email address is: eternicka@mediacen.navy.mil. (Stewart-MO).

DEAR PRIEND.

We take pleasure in verifying your reception report of E 85 , 2100 Hetre Bind OR 6025 MHs

your further reports, as well as comments on our broadcast Good Hetening, DXs and 73st Kossuth

> YOURS SINCERELY ENGLISH LANGUAGE BROADCAST OF RADIO BUDAPEST

Mr. Jamuel Barto

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I'm going to end the Column at this point. I really do not have enough material to justify starting another page.

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## Scoreboard

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Greetings and welcome to the NASWA SCOREBOARD. The SPOTLIGHT this issue is on Oceania. Remember to update at least once a year to remain listed on the SCOREBOARD. Next time the SPOTLIGHT will be on South America. C/H = Countries Heard and C/V = Countries Verified. Country counts are by the NASWA Radio Countries List. Thanks to all our contributors,

Name, State	Total		Oceania		Best Oceania QSL
,	C/H	C/V	C/H	C/V	
Dan Henderson, MD	242	234	20	20	Cook Is.
Marlin Field, MI	240	239	22	22	R. Kerema 3245
Jerry Berg, MA	240	238	21	21	Fiji
William Flynn, OR	240	225	21	21	VQO2 Solomon Is
John Sgrulletta, NY	236	236	20	20	Cook Is.
Gerry Bishop, FL	233	215	20	20	Cook Is.
Steven Lare, MI	230	209	21	21	Marshall Is.
Don Hosmer, MI	227	195			
Nobuaki Takahashi, Japan	226	201			
Sheryl Paszkiewicz, WI	220	213	20	20	Kiribati
Richard Davis, NM	219	211	20	20	Kiribati
Rick Krzemien, CA	217	212	21	21	Solomons
Paul Buer, FL	217	205	19	19	R. Cook Is.
Christos Rigas, IL	214	194	20	19	Cook Is.
Fred Kohlbrenner, PA	214	192	19	19	R. Cook Is.
Jerry Klinck, NY	214	192			
Jerry Lineback, KS	206	108	18	8	SIBS
Stephen Price, PA	192	169	12	11	R. Kiribati
George Maroti, NY	190	148	15	12	R. Tahiti
Jim Renfrew, NY	187	153	13	10	SIBC
Bob Fleck, TX	184	161			
Allan R. Loudell, DE	184	155	15	13	RRI Serui
Gary Froemming, AZ	181	44	11	5	VNG Australia
Ross Comeau, MA	178	145	15	13	Kiribati
Bill Bergadano, NJ	177	117	11	8	VLW9 9610 Aust.
Andy Rugg, Que.	176	157	7	7	ABC Perth
Mark Humenyk, ONT	169	135		•	
Bob Raymond, NH	162	132	8	8	R. Tahiti
Robert E. Gearing II,FL	155	122			***
Darren White, MS	154	110	11	10	RFO Tahiti
Dan Ziolkowski, NY	152	70	9	7	Solomon Is.
Norm Constanti, MO	138	104	11	9	Vanuatu
Jill Dybka, TN	129	99	10	8	SIBC
Gary R. Neal, TX	121	110	7	7	VNG 16 MHz
Ronald J. Hunsicker, PA	107	95	5	5	VNG
Bret Pollack, MD	82	54	-	~	1110
Gene Borowski, NY	76	62	2	2	ABC VLH9
Sean Warner, MN	59	34	2	2	TIDO VEID
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Next Deadline is May 15 for the June Issue, 73, JAL

## Net Notes

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As Paul Harvey says, "now we know the rest of the story." In January we wrote that Dick Robinson of EEB was guilty of defrauding the DEA of \$50,000. Invoices were submitted to the DEA for radio batteries that were never delivered. He kept \$12,000 for his efforts, and the balance of the monies were paid to third parties.

On February 19 the 67-year-old Robinson was sentenced to four months in jail and four months of home detention. Additionally he must pay \$52,100 in fines and restitution.

Read the whole story on the Fairfax (VA) Journal Web site at http:// www.jrnl.com/news/99/Feb/ jrn9220299.html.

I really wonder what Robinson was thinking of back in 1995.

The Voice of Turkey now has a Web site on line at http://www.tsr.gov.tr/. The pages default to English.

The Voice of Greece finally moved away from its boring one-page of Courier type. The spiffy revision is found at http://ert.ntua.gr/eraeng/.

Radio Taipei International and

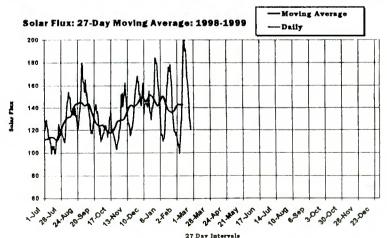
Voice of Asia are both parts of the Central Broadcasting System (CBS). There is a new, common, page to access the program guides of these two broadcasters: http://www.cbs.org.tw/english/engb.html.

Harold Sellers writes "The Ontario DX Association web site is making a small move (.ca will become .com). The new address is already parallel to our old address. It is http://www.durhamradio.com/odxa"

WGTG has a new domain of http://www.wgtg.org. The Web site still lacks a program guide.

Software alert for Windows 95/98/
NT users: In the taskbar, do you find
the missing date, calendar and seconds
to be as annoying as I do? TclockEx
adds these items with a right-click of a
mouse, and the clock format may be
changed. It works well and it's free.
Get TclockEx from http://users.
iafrica.com/d/da/dalen/tclockex.htm.

We'll see you all in Kulpsville in less than two weeks!



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R8B AOR AR-7030 100' LW

NRD-525 32m dipole

Sony 2010

R8 70' LW R8 60' LW

ATS-803A MFJ-1778 G5RV antenna

R8 HF150 FL-3 AD Sloper LW

AR3030 DX-390 YB400 70' LW Tun-4A

Sony 2010 ICF-7600 7600G LW's

Sony ICF-2003 ICF-SW100S 2m LW

R8 R7A DX-Ultra inverted V

Sony 2010 120' dipole at 35'

NRD-535D 10m LW

Magnavox D-2935 AN-60 DX-SWL sloper

R8 HQ-180AX 80' LW 60m dipole

R8 NRD-525 Datong FL-3 ANC-4 AD Sloper

Kenwood R600 R8 R70 YB400

Icom 746 beverage antennas

Sony 2010 10/45m dipoles MFJ-956 tuner

DX-380

Grundig YB-400

WJ-1000 R8 60'Sloper 20' loop

R8A LW's

NRD515 NRD535 FRG7000

Sony 2010 beverage antennas

DX-398 20m 5/8 wave vertical

R-2000 Sony 2010 AD Sloper LW

WJ-HF1000A R8B R390A/SE-3 51S-1 LW's

Sony 2010 Indoor antenna

NRD-535D AD 60' Sloper

NRD-525 AD Sloper

R8B R70 51J4 Beverage

FRG-100 w/Collins filters

ATS-818 Sony 2010 FRG-7700

R8 ANC-4 135' LW

Sony 2010 LW

R8 Sloper SPS NRF-7 SEM QRM Eliminator

The 12th annual Winter SWL Fest is just days away. The program of events can be found in last month's Journal. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you there. GW.

# Tropical Band Loggings

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- 2390 MEXICO R Huayacocotla 1/21 1303 anmts, mx (Smit-TX)
- 2695 INDO RRI Ende 2/2 1344 vcls, deep fading (Line-KS)
- 3200 SWAZILAND TWR 12/20 0305 rel mx, ID (Rout-GA)
- 3205 NEW GUINEA R Sandaun 1/28 1158 NA, poor (Line-KS)
- 3210 COSTA RICA REE 1/19 0102 nx (Line-KS) 1/13 0153 La Musica en España (Smit-TX)
- 3215 SULAWESI RRI Manado 1/28 1158 SCI & nx (Line-KS)
- 3215 USA WWCR 1/13 0055 usual trash (Smit-TX)
- 3220 NEW GUINEA R Morobe 1/28 1156 lcl mx, bird calls, NA (Line-KS)
- 3235 NEW BRITAIN RWNB 1/28 1154 PD tlk, poor (Line-KS)
- 3235 PERU Luz y Sonido 2/10 \*0954 vcl, TC, IDs (D'An-PA)
- 3240 SWAZILAND TWR 1/27 0328 lang tlk, addr, organ, ID (Newb-NE)
- 3250 HONDURAS Luz y Vida 12/28 1130 Amazing Grace, ID (Robi-TN) 1/13 0052 EZL & upbeat vcls (Smit-TX)
- 3250 KALIMANTAN RRI Banjarmasin 2/2 1345 vcls, poor (Line-KS)
- 3250.8 PERU R Comas 2/10 1015 ID, vcls, fair (D'An-PA) 1/26 1019 tlk Peruvian mx (Line-KS) 1/16 0215 anmts, cmtry, mx, ID (Eram)
- 3254.8 BRAZIL R 6 de agosto 1/26 1024 fast ZY vcls, good (Line-KS)
- 3265 SULAWESI RRI Gorontalo 1/28 1153 smooth vcls, chants (Line-KS)
- 3275 PAPUA R South High. 2/2 1200\* Chorus, ment PNG, drums (Maro-NY) 1/28 1152 lcl mx, poor (Line-KS)
- 3289.8t ECUADOR R Centro 1/13 0057 vcls (Smit-TX)
- 3289.8 GUYANA Vo G 1/10 0705 BBC nx in EG (Line-KS)
- 3290 NAMIBIA 12/29 0330 lang tlk, singing, ID (Rout-GA)
- 3300 GUATEMALA R Cultural 1/27 0325 EG World Today (Newb-NE)
- 3306 ZIMBABWE ZBC 12/14 0315 tlk, mx, ID (Rout-GA) 1/24 \*0300 drums EG Radio 2 ID, chorus, lang tlk, pops (Alex-PA) 1/27 0333 Afr mx, chorus, percussion (Newb-NE)
- 3315 ADM ISL *R Manus* 1/25 1155 mx, poor (Line-KS) 1/30 1135 low levels, island mx (Ripp-VA)
- 3316 SIERRA LEONE SLBS 2/3 2151 hilife mx, long tlk, ads (Maro-NY)
- 3320 SAFRICA R Sonder Grense 1/27 0340 AK folk mx, lite rock (Newb)
- 3324.8 GUATEMALA R Maya 12/28 1200 SP, ID, band (Robi-TN) 2/3 0158 anmts to 0200\* then back in a minute in lang, rel tlk (Brou-IL) 1/30 1214 dominating PNG, long lang tlk (Ripp-VA)
- 3325 SUMATRA RRI Palangkaraya 1/31 1325 pops, ID (Line-KS)
- 3330.2 PERU Ondas del Huallaga 1/26 1036 SP pgm (Line-KS)
- 3330.6 PERU *Ondas del Huallaga* 2/9 1020 OA mx, Ids, TCs (D'An-PA) 2/9 \*1006 ID, anmts, OA mx (Kohl-PA)
- 3335 NEW GUINEA *R E Sepik* 1/28 1151 lcl mx (Line-KS)
- 3340 PERU R Altura 2/10 1017 lively mx, Tcs, ID (D'An-PA) 2/2 1027 Andean mx, echo tlk, flute, ID (Ziol-NY)
- 3345 MOLUCCAS RRI Ternate 2/2 1340 Indo vcls (Line-KS) 2/2 1339 mx male anner (Smit-TX)
- 3345 NEW GUINEA R Northern 1/28 1150 PD tlk (Line-KS)
- 3356 BOTSWANA *RB* 12/14 0359 pop mx, anmts, ID (Rout-GA) 1/27 0349 Afr mx, jazz/blues (Newb-NE)
- 3360 ECUADOR LV del Upano 1/15 0307\* anmts, educ pgm, ID (Eram-ARG)

- 3360 GUATEMALA LV de Nahuala 2/3 0220 trop mx, ment church events, jingle, ID (Brou-IL)
- 3365 NEW GUINEA R Milne Bay 2/6 1145 mx (Line-KS)
- 3370 GUATEMALA R Tezulutlan 1/13 0037 fair w/tlk (Smit-TX)
- 3373.5 JAPAN NHK 1/27 1028 EG/JP EG lesson, TP, ID (Howa-CA)
- 3375 NEW GUINEA *R W High*. 1/28 1149 vcls (Line-KS)
- 3380 GUATEMALA R Chortis 1/23 1133 mx, anmts, ID (Klin-NY) 1/13 0031 tlk, mx (Smit-TX)
- 3385 SUNDAS RRI Kupang 1/31 1159 SCI & nx (Line-KS)
- 3395 NEW GUINEA *R E High*. 1/28 1147 EG mx (Line-KS)
- 3450 **LIBERIA** *R Veritas* 2/13 2216 hilife, cmtry 2224\* (Hill-MA)
- 3810 ECUADOR *HD210A* 1/21 0856 time sig, exc (Smit-TX)
- 3905 IRIAN JAYA RRI Merauke 2/1 1159 SCI & nx (Line-KS)
- 3925 JAPAN *R Tampa* 1/31 1141 drama (Ripp-VA)
- 3985 ITALY IRRS 2/10 2210 UN pgm, mx, ID, addr, into IT (Bran-NJ)
- 3987 IRIAN JAYA RRI Manokwari 2/2 1341 Indo vcls (Line-KS)
- 4000 SULAWESI RRI Kendari 2/4 1300 RRI nx //4753 (Line-KS)
- 4039.2 PERU R Marginal 1/29 0059 ads, folklore, IDs (Eram-ARG)
- 4060.3 UNID 2/6 0448 AR tlk, ment Kurdistan, weaker 0455 (Bran-NJ)
- 4420.3 PERU *R Bambamarca* 2/8 0230 OA mx, ID, TC (D'An-PA) 2/8 0217 comunicados, mx pgm, TC, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 4460.8 PERU R Norandina 2/8 0318 mx pgm, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 4485.2 PERU R Frec VH 2/9 0222 Ids, flute, poor (D'An-PA)
- 4499.6 PERU R Moderna 2/8 \*1056 anmts, ID, rustic vcls (D'An-PA)
- 4460 CHINA CNR 2/1 2305 CH tlk, ID //9080 (ZioI-NY)
- 4471.7 BOLIVIA R Movima 1/21 0113\* anmts, Escala Musical, ID (Eram)
- 4534.1 PERU R Horizonte 2/8 0201\* huaynos, Tcs, ID, instl (Eram-ARG) 2/1 0110 Andes guitar/harp, ID, loud (Nove-NC)
- 4575 UNID 2/4 0218 big carrier & whistling (Brou-IL)
- 4606 IRIAN JAYA RRI Serui 2/4 1300 RRI nx //4753 (Line-KS)
- 4635.4 TAJIKISTAN TR 2/7 0020 flute mx, IS, IDs (Nove-NC)
- 4725 MYANMAR VoM 1/20 1324 vcls (Line-KS)
- 4733 UNID 1/24 2245 FR tlk & prob Afr stn, mx tnx Veldhuis (Nove-NC)
- 4753.3 SULAWES1*RRI U-P* 2/8 2153 brief mx, SCI, nx, pop mx (D'An-PA) 1/24 1300 Indo nx (Line-KS) 1/27 1130 mx (Newb-NE)
- 4755.3t BRAZIL R Educ Rural 1/13 0257 fair w/mx (Smit-TX)
- 4760 AND ISL AIR 2/8 2336 EG nx. ID (Nove-NC)
- 4765t BRAZIL R Rural 1/21 0917 tlk & rooster crow (Smit-TX)
- 4770 NIGERIA Kaduna 1/5 0440 tlk abt kids, guitar (Newb-NE)
- 4775 INDIA AIR Imphal 1/20 1327 lang tlk (Line-KS)
- 4777.8 JAVA RRI Jakarta 1/16 1412 Indo tlk, mx (Line-KS)
- 4779.8 GUATEMALA R Coatan 2/2 1325 variety mx (Smit-TX)
- 4780 PERU R Satelite 2/1 0130 comunicados, mx, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 4783 MALI RTM 1/10 0658 FR anmts (Line-KS) 2/2 0750 tlk, IS (Smit)
- 4789 IRIAN JAYA RRI Fak-Fak 2/2 1159 SCI & nx (Line-KS)
- 4800.7HARGENTINA R Armonia 1/22 0740 ID, XERTA off (Smit-TX)
- 4800.7 MEXICO XERTA 1/21 at 0926 (Smit-TX)
- 4803.4t BRAZIL Rdf Amazonas 12/22 1135 Beethoven, Silent Nite (Newb-NE)
- 4815 BRAZIL Rdf Londrina 12/11 0125 tlk, ID (Rout-GA) 1/23 2350 pop mx, PT Unchained Melody, ID, tnx Bergadano (Bran-NJ)
- 4815 CHINA CRI 1/16 1420 lang chorus, anmts (Line-KS)
- 4824.4 PERU LV de la Selva one hour later \*1057 NA, tip from health center, ID (TIN-JP)
- 4825 GUATEMALA R Mam 2/2 1321 tlk, pops (Smit-TX)
- 4828 **ZIMBABWE** *Radio* 4 1/24 \*0300 chorus, tlk, pops, chorus, at 0319 moved to 5012 & 0324 back to 4828 (Alex-PA)

- 4830 CHINA Huayi BC 1/9 1350 CH tlk, mx (Line-KS)
- 4831.9 COSTA RICA R Reloj 1/21 0932 tlk, pops, ads (Smit-TX)
- 4835 GUATEMALA R Tezulutlan 1/27 0359 lang tlk, marimbas (Newb-NE)
- 4840 INDIA AIR Mumbai 1/24 1320 lang tlk, SC mx, ID, nx (Line-KS)
- 4841.3 UNID 1/100150 Hindu chants, poss ment Mumbai but not Akashvani strong sig, could be Mumbai (Ziol-NY)
- 4845 GUATEMALA R Kekchi 12/28 1230 SP organ, Happy B'day, hymn (Robi)
- 4850 CHINA CPBS 1/16 1424 CH tlk (Line-KS)
- 4855.6 PERU R La Hora 2/10 1031 ID, OA mx, gone 1034 (D'An-PA)
- 4860 INDIA AIR Delhi 2/7 1230 EG nx (Line-KS)
- 4865.1 BRAZIL R Missoes 1/21 0935 mixed vcls (Smit-TX)
- 4870 BENIN ORTB 1/9 2155 lang mx (Line-KS)
- 4870 ECUADOR LV del Upano 1/29 0125\* EG lessons, ID, NA (Eram-ARG)
- 4875 IRIAN JAYA RRI Sorong 2/7 1150 Indo tlk & vcls, SCI (Line-KS) 2/7 0920 lagu hiburan, Koran (TIN-JP) 1/29 2132 ment Ambon & Indo, nx, cmtry, march (Hill-MA) 1/21 0941 mixed vcls (Smit-TX)
- 4875.1t BOLIVIA La Cruz del Sur 2/12 2330 SP preach, rel mx, And mx, Ids, drifting (Nove-NC)
- 4880 INDIA AIR Lucknow 2/6 1339 SC mx (Line-KS)
- 4883 CHINA CRI 1426 in lang (Line-KS)
- 4885 BRAZIL R Clube 2/4 0240 long tlk, phone calls (Brou-IL) 1/21 0947 fair level (Smit-TX)
- 4886.7 PERU Virgen del Carmen 1/27 1006 lcl mx, anmts, ID (Klin-NY)
- 4890 GABON RFI Relay 1/27 0402 FR reading (Newb-NE)
- 4890 PAPUA NBC 1/21 1257 still missing (Smit-TX)
- 4895 BRAZIL R IPB AM 1/16 0241 nx, folk mx, rel, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 4895 SARAWAK RM Kuching 1/16 1433 ML pops, anmts, ID (Line-KS)
- 4899.8 ECUADOR LV de Saquisili 2/8 2348 Andean mx, Ids, pow incr? Nove
- '4900 CHINA Vo Strait 1/16 1436 CH pops, anmts (Line-KS)
- 4904.9 BRAZIL R Relogio 2/5 2257 rel pgm, ID (Eram-ARG) 1/30 2250 EZL, ad, ID (Nove-NC)
- 4910 INDIA AIR Jaipur 2/5 1348 lang tlk (Line-KS) 1/24 1230 nx, lcl ID (Nove-NC)
- 4914.4 PERU R Cora 2/6 0850 vcls, canned IDs (TIN-JP)
- 4915 BRAZIL R Anhanguera 1/21 0950 good w/pops (Smit-TX)
- 4915 GHANA GBC 1/3 2145 lang cmtry (Tres-PA) 2/6 2155 lang mx (Line)
- 4920 ECUADOR *R Quito* 1/21 0700 regional mx, Ids, anmts (With-HI) 1/10 0627 rock & Andean mx, ID (Line-KS) 1/27 0403 SP ID (Newb)
- 4920 INDIA AIR Chennai 2/5 1350 lang tlk (Line-KS)
- 4925 SUMATRA RRI Jambi 2/8 2237 vcls, ID, SCI (D'An-PA)
- 4935 PERU R Tropical 1/14 1130 ID, fair (Line-KS)
- 4940 CHINA Vo Strait 1/16 1440 CH mx not //4900 (Line-KS)
- 4945 BOLIVIA R Illimani 2/8 0928 Andean mx, ID, TC (Eram-ARG)
- 4945 BRAZIL Emis Rural 1/14 0658 anmts, mx, rooster, etc (Kohl-PA)
- 4950.1 ECUADOR R Bahai 1/20 0923 anmts, Ids, Quechua tlk (Alex-PA)
- 4950.1 PERU R Madre de Dios 1/15 0201\* anmts, nx, cmtry, ID (Eram)
- 4950.3 ECUADOR *R Bahai* 1/27 1040 lcl mx, tlk, IDs (Klin-NY) 1/14 1125 lang anmts, Andean mx (Line-KS)
- 4955 COLOMBIA RN 1/27 0405 pop & dance mx, Nat King Cole (Newb-NE)
- 4960 VANUATU RV 1/21 0710 FR island mx, anmts (With-HI) 1/14 1117\* lang/FR anmts, long tlk, NA (Line-KS)
- 4960.2 VIETNAM VoV 1/16 1442 VT tlk (Line-KS)
- 4970 INDIA AIR Shillong 1/21 1210 film mx, armchair copy (Nove-NC)
- 4971 PERU R Imagen 1/8 0953 LA mx, anmts (Ziol-NY)
- 4974.9 BRAZIL R Mundial 1/16 0255 anmts, ads, instl mx, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 4975 CHINA Fujian PBS 1/16 1443 CH tlk, class mx (Line-KS)
- 4975 COLOMBIA Ondas del Orteguaza 2/2 2345 ballads, ID, TC (Nove-NC)

- 4980 VENEZUELA Ecos del Torbes 2/8 0936 cmtry, ads, Hablemos de Botanica y Salud pgm, TC, ID (Eram-ARG) 1/27 1150 promos (Newb)
- 4990 INDIA AIR Itanagar 2/6 1200 ID, nx, SC mx, ID (Ripp-VA)
- 4990.9 SURINAM R Apintie 1/23 0345 mx w/o tlk (Ripp-VA)
- 4991 PERU R Ancash 1/15 0116 cmtry, ads, TC, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 4995.6 PERU R Andina 2/8 1050 animts, mx, echo IDs (Kohl-PA) 1/16 0301 rel, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 5005.3 NEPAL R Nepal 1/23 1650 regional mx, nx, anthem 1715\* (With-HI)
- 5009.6 MADAGASCAR *RM* 1/9 \*0255 IS, NA, tlk, mx (Alex-PA)
- 5010 CHINA Guangxi PBS 1/14 2320 CH tlk, ID (Rout-GA) 1/16 1450 tlk (Line-KS)
- 5011.8 DOM REP R Cristal 1/9 2330 ID, vcls (Line-KS)
- 5012 ZIMBABWE *Radio 4* 1/23 0335 pops, anmts, ID, drums (Alex-PA)
- 5018.7 PERU R Horizonte 1/26 1130 ID, lite rock mx (Howa-CA) 1/15 1120 guitar mx, slogan, Tcs, greetings (TIN-JP)
- 5019.2 PERU *R Horizonte* 1/12 1143 TC, anmts (Line-KS)
- 5020 COLOMBIA Ecos del Atrato 1/14 1140 ads, anmts (Line-KS)
- 5020 SOL ISL SIBC 1/21 0720 PD/EG, school msgs, ID (With-HI) Tnx!-sp
- 5025 AUSTRALIA ABC 2/11 2137 tlk abt North Terr, pops //4910, 4835 (Hill-MA)
- 5025 CUBA R Rebelde 1/27 0411 SP addresses (Newb-NE)
- 5030 CHINA CPBS 1/16 1500 TP, nx, cmtry (Line-KS)
- 5030 **COSTA RICA AWR** 1/17 1148\* ID, rel mx (Line-KS)
- 5030 SARAWAK RM Kuching 1/20 1351 fair chanting (Smit-TX)
- 5039.2 PERU R Libertad 1/15 0023 cumbias, Tcs, ID (Eram-ARG)
- 5040 INDIA AIR Jeypore 2/5 1400 SC mx (Line-KS)
- 5047 TOGO *Lome* 1/29 0510 FR lcl mx, ID, W Afr mx (Klin-NY)
- 5050 CHINA Vo Strait 1/16 1450 CH tlk //4900 (Line-KS)
- 5050.1 TANZANIA RT 12/28 0330 EG anmts, 1D (Rout-GA)
- 5054.8 COSTA RICA Faro del Caribe 1/17 1341 EG pgm (Line-KS)
- 5055 FR GUIANA RFO Cayenne 1/10 0633 FR mx (Line-KS)
- 5060 CHINA Xinjiang PBS 2/6 1431 MG pgm (Line-KS)
- 5070 USA WWCR 1/18 1220 Conspiracy Theory pgm (Line-KS)
- 5090 CHINA CPBS 12/11 2250 tlk to 2300\* (Rout-GA) 1/16 1455 CH tlk not //5030 (Line-KS)
- 5100 **LIBERIA** *RL* 2/7 2100 JD, EG nx (Kohl-PA)
- 5145.1 CHINA CRI 1/7 1005 RS tlk //7110, 7820 (Ziol-NY)
- 5240 TIBET Xizang PBS 1/20 1130 CH mx, ID, TP, Icl TC, Five Star Red Flag march, ID (Maro-NY) 1/31 1123 long CH ballads (Ripp-VA)
- 5290 RUSSIA Krasnovarsk 1/25 1105 tlk & little mx (Fiel-MI)
- 5385.8 PERU R Huarmaca 2/8 0443\* huaynos, ID, TC, orch (D'An-PA)
- 5470.8 PERU R San Nicolas 1/30 1140 folklore, ID (TIN-JP)
- 5522.2 PERU R Sudamerica 1/29 1203 huaynos, tlk, ID, AM FC (TIN-JP)
- 5602 PERU unid 1/18 2358 tlk to 0000\*, not hrd since (Fiel-MI)
- 5640.5v PERU R Peru 2/6 2345 pop mx, IDs (Nove-NC)
- 5678 **PERU** *R Ilucan* 2/3 0045 mx pgm (Fiel-MI) 2/10 1048 vcls & flutes ID (Kohl-PA)
- 5770 NICARAGUA R Miskut 2/7 0130\* mx, echo ID, short mx (D'An-PA)
- 5773.7 **PERU** *R Manantial* 2/4 1035 rel format, hymns, echo anmts, ID, tnx Klemetz for help with tape (Nove-NC)
- 5810 USA KAIJ 12/11 0359 Univ Net ID (Rout-GA)
- 5840 **GERMANY AWR** 12/11 0430 GM w/EG ID (Rout-GA)
- 5850 USA WYFR 12/11 0443 RS rel, EG ID (Rout-GA)
- 5859.7v PERU R Nueva Cajamarca 2/2 0020 drifting, Andean mx, ads, IDs comunicados (Nove-NC)

Please note my new e-mail address, spasz@dataplusnet.com. The msn account has been closed out. If you sent something sinceFebruary 24, I did not get it. Please resend. Thanks!

# **International Band Loggings**

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5900 BULGARIA R Bulgaria in TK 0600\*, tlk, mx after 0540, exc, //7390 much weaker (Field MI 2/2) SLOVAKIA R Slovakia Int in EG 1630, ID, tlks, IS, mx (Witham HI 1/16) 5915 5935 LATVIA R Latvia Int in EG 2135\*, ID, mx, nx, fanfare at s/off, QRM (Brandi NJ 1/26, D'Angelo 2/8) RUSSIA V of Vietnam relay Armavir in EG 0119, ID, tlk re economy in VT, mx, f (Krause OH 1/15) 5940 GUYANA V of Guyana in EG 0943, ads, "Farmers' Choice", funk mx, nearly wiped out by s/on 0948 59498 WYFR o/c, reggae, 1D 0958 hrd w/LSB, IS, ads for imported beers (Brandi NJ 2/2) MOROCCO R Free Europe relay in Serbo-Croat(p) 2150, multi-lang ID's, interview (Brandi 1/26) 5955 59814nf? PERUR Chasqui in SP 1022, ID's, TC's, mx sels w/tlk, good until R Union s/on 1055 (D'Angelo 2/9) GUATEMALA Union Radio in SP 1200, relig type mx, complete ID 1200 (Field MI 1/18) 5982 5995 MALIRTY Malienne in FR 0652, tlks, Afro vcls, IS, nx, kora mx, many mentions of Mali, Bamako, and "Universite du Mali", s-off at 0723 (Brandi NJ 2/2, Kohlbrenner PA 1/20) BRAZIL R Guaiba in PT 0727, tinkly piano mx. ID (Brandi NJ 2/2) in PT 0900, ID, "musica da Guaiba", 6000 traditional ballads similar to Ranchera, g, //11785 but QRM'd signal (Lineback KS 1/24) 6010 MEXICO R Mil in SP 0855, mx mix, SP version of the "Stones", ID's, fay (Kohlbrenner PA 1/13) ITALY RAI Rome in EG 0050, nx re Brazil's stock market collapses, g (Fraser MA 1/15) 6010 SINGAPORE R Singapore in EG 1230, nx read by YL, //6150 but weaker signal (Fine VA 1/23) 6015 AUSTRALIA RA in Pidgin 0914, ID and tlk in Pidgin, EG mx, QRM but good (Lineback KS 1/24) 6020 HUNGARY R Budapest in EG 0335, ID, pgm on political events in Hungary, exc (Krause OH 1/17) 6020nf? COLOMBIA LV de Guaviare in SP \*0944, ID, ancmts, chatter, L Am mx, p (Kohlbrenner PA 1/19) 60349 RWANDA R Rwanda in EG/FR 2103\*, s/off anemts in both langs, orch NA, g (D'Angelo PA 2/7) 6055 SPAIN REE in EG 0010, rpt on Spanish lang paper in Miami, nx (Newbury NE 1/31, Trescher PA) 6055 JAPAN R Tampa Tokyo in JP 0952, instrml mx, ads, ID "JOY...Radio Tampa" (Eramo ARGEN 2/8) 6055 ITALY RAI Radio Uno Sicily in IT 0628, pop mx, nx(p), ID's "RAI, Radio Uno" (Brandi NJ 2/2) 6060 ARGENTINA R Nacional in SP 0939, phone conversations, TC 1000, ID, F (Howard 1/30) 6060 IRAN VOIRI Teheran in EG 0046, nx mostly re Iran, ID's, tlk re Pakistan & Iran, vg (Krause OH 1/4) 6065nf CANADA CFRX Toronto in EG 2100, nx, relay of CFRB, ID, traffic, wx (Bauernhuber NY 1/15) 6070 CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC R Centrafrique in FR 0705, fast Ilking, //7220, f/p (Wolf OH 1/3) 6100nf? CANADA R Japan relay in EG 1115, rpt on Beijing's public restrooms, g (Fraser MA 1/15) 6120 GERMANY R Vilnius relay Jülich in EG 0030, mx, sports cmntry (Pasquale PA 1/15, Trescher PA) 6120 6125 CHINA CPBS Shijiazhuang in CH 2138, tlks in lang, //7290, 7935, 5320 jammed (Brandi NJ 1/30) LAOS Lao Nat Radio Vientiane in lang 1158, nice mx, 7 gongs 1200 w/signature tune, ID, instruml mx 6130 YL with nx, signal dominated CHNX despite high noise levels (D'Angelo PA 2/8, Rippel VA 1/30) CANADA CHNX Halifax in EG 2255, ad, ment Maritime Radio Service, oldies, f (McGuire MD 2/8) 6130 BOLIVIA R Santa Cruz in SP 0915, Andean mx, ID's, slogans between songs (Kohlbrenner PA 1/20) 6135 SWAZILAND TWR relay in Chewa(p) 1645, chorus, ID, vocal mx, p (Witham HI 1/16) 6135 HUNGARY R Budapest in EG 0200, Hungary's aid to local Albanians via NATO, g (Robinson TN) 6135 BRAZIL R Record in PT 0207\*, religious pgm, full ID and fqys at s/off, f (Eramo ARGEN 1/21) 6150 BRAZIL R Cultura in PT 0156, classical mx, px "Boulevard Cultura", ID, f (Eramo ARGEN 1/21) 6170 MEXICO R Educación in SP 0925, mix of ballads & marimba mx, SP/EG ID's (Kohlbrenner PA 1/18) 6185 PERU R Cusco in SP 1036, lively OA mx, ID, folklore pgm (Nozaki JP 1/23, D'Angelo PA 1/21) in SP 62043v 0152, huanos & cmntry, TC's, 1D, f-p (Eramo ARGEN 1/21) ETHIOPIA R Fana in lang 0420, Ethiopian-style pop mx, ID, nx?, //6940 (Brandi NJ 1/29) 6210 ZAMBIA R Zambia in lang 0423, antimated tlk re lcl currency, Afro mx, TC 0430 (Brandi NJ 1/30) 6265 64585ush USA Amer Forces Net in EG 1230, Super Bowl pre-game shows, PSA, ID (Maroti NY 1/30) in EG 0215+, CBS & CNN nx, rpt on Ramadan, US pilots bomb Iraq (Alexander PA 1/23, Newbury NE 1/8) PERU R Huancabamba in SP 2312, flute mx, excited man tlking, ID, ads, f (D'Angelo PA 2/9) 65358 NO KOREA R Pyongyang in RS 0845, tlk, IS, 3 ID's in RS, fluttery signal (Brandi NJ 2/2)

- 67255 PERU R Satelite in SP 0024, cannot annu, ments Santa Cruz, ID's during tlk, vp (Serra ITALY 1/24)
- 68953 PERU R San Miguel in SP 1208, Andean pop mx, echo anomts, ID (Novello NC 2/7, Field MI 1/23)
- 70405 PERU R San Ignacio in SP 1028, pgm of huaynos, frequent TC's, ID's, f (D'Angelo FCDX/PA 2/8)
- 7110 ETHIOPIA V of Ethiopia in lang 0518, Ethiopian pop mx, f/o 0550, //9705 p (Brandi NJ 1/29) 7115 BOSNIA R Yugoslavia relay in EG 0100, IS, ID, nx, features (Robinson TN, Trescher PA)
- CHINA CRI Baoding in JP 1220, CH mx, p, //9855 under D Welle (Ziołkowski NY 1/25) 7190
- 7210 BELARUS R Minsk in lang 0230, multi-lang ID, nx, discussion, no ham ORM (Klinck NY 2/1)
- 7230 ITALY R Forli AWR relay in IT 0843, relig pgm, songs, multi-lang ID's, ORM (Serra ITALY 1/20)
- 7325 AUSTRIA ORF Vienna in EG 0030, "News from Vienna" & "Report from Austria", nx, cmntry on immune system and infectious TB (Bauernhuber NY 1/18, Trescher PA 1/3, Newbury NE 1/23)
- 7365 ALASKA KNLS in EG 1300, pgm; "Voices from the Past - the Pueblo Incident" (Pasquale PA 1/23)
- 7410 INDIA AIR Aligarh in EG 2200, rpt on death of King Hussein, ID, f (McGuire MD 2/7)
- 7435 ISRAEL Kol Israel in EG 2000, cmntry re ongoing Palestinian incitement, other nx (Robinson TN)
- 7440 NORWAY R Denmark relay in DN 0530, YL & OM discussion, ID, //7480 (Witham HI)
- 7470nf PAKISTAN R Pakistan in AR 1830, relig mx, ID, sioff 0835 with anthem, //9330 (Witham HI 1/2) 7535 BULGARIA R Bulgaria in EG 2045, classical mx, nx, f, //5850 (Bauemhuber NY 1/13)
- 9360 TAJIKISTAN R Free Asia relay in Burmese 1550, mostly tlk in lang, //9400 (Treibel WA 12/31)
- 9365nf?
- ISRAEL Kol Isreal in HB 1905, pop mx, YL vocals, signal under China, //9390 (Witham HI 1/9) 9385nF GUAM KSDA Agat AWR relay in lang/EG 1430, nx in EG to 1500, into pgm in lang (Sinhalese?) at 1500,
- ID as "Voice of Hope", weak signal (Field MI 2/6)
- 9420 GREECE V of Greece in EG 0138, nx, GK pop mx, cmntry, //7450, 9375 (Newbury NE 1/23)
- CZECH REPUBLIC R Prague in EG 0000, ID, rpt on the Czech Republic budget (McGuire MD 1/19) 9465nf
- 9485 BULGARIA R Bulgaria in EG 0030, pop songs in BG, tlk on land redistribution, emntry on need for peaceful settlement in Kosovo (Bauernhuber NY 1/18, Newbury NE 11/30, Fraser MA 1/19)
- 9500nf CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC R Minurca in FR 0700, IS, nx, p (Witham HI 1/17)
- 9535 THAILAND R Thailand in EG/TH 2030, ID, nx, features on medical effects of alcohol, tlk on econ pgm, into Thai language at 2045 (Brandi NJ 1/26, Serra ITALY 1/20)
- 9535nf? IRAN VOIRI Teheran in AR 0610, monlogue, piano mx, //9880, 15355, 17540, p (Witham HI 1/1)
- 9575 MOROCCO Radio Medi Un in FR/AR 0826, rock mx, tlk in both langs, nx (Kohlbrenner PA 1/20)
- 9580 GABON Africa #1 in FR 2050, rap & jazz mx, cmntry, ID (Trescher PA 1/3, Newbury NE 1/10)
- 96001nf MEXICO Radio UNAM-Universidad in SP 0313, reactivated station, t/in to classical mx, 3 ID's, 2 for Radio UNAM, 1 for R Universidad, very weak sig, 1 kw listed (Hankison KS via DX Cumbre 2/19)
- 9605 MADAGASCAR R Nederlands relay in EG 1900, rpt on WW 1, lcl plane crash (McGuire MD 1/18)
- 9605 VATICAN STATE Vatican R in EG 0255, trend between NA & SA toward solidarity (Newbury 1/30)
- 9645 THAILAND VOA relay in EG 1105, ID's, nx, severe QRM from Costa Rica (Ziołkowski NY 1/17) 9650 SOUTH KOREA R Korea in EG 1200\*, rpt on religious rituals in Korean culture (McGuire MD 2/9)
- NORTH KOREA KCBS Pyongyang in KR 0855, patriotic mx, 3 pips 0900, tlk (Kohlbrenner PA 1/20) 96662
- 97042 ETHIOPIA R Ethiopia in lang 1945, pop and rap mx, OM ancr, p (Witham HI 1/16) in Amheric 0420, local mx, OM & YL taking phone calls after 0430, 3 chimes at 0500, nx? (Kohlbrenner PA 1/17)
- 9705 MEXICO R Mexico Int in EG/SP 1500, nx, cmntry, ID, addr, ballads, into SP 1523 (Alexander 1/15)
- 97101 AUSTRALIA RA in Pidgin 0915, pop and lcl mx, ID in Pidgin, nx (Brandi NJ 2/2)
- 9730 FRENCH GUIANA China R Int relay in EG 0418, US attacks in Iraq, ID, tlks (Newbury NE 1/27)
- PARAGUAY R Nacional Asuncion in SP 0200, sports pgm, ID, f (Eramo ARGENTINA 2/6) 9735
- 9780 PHILIPPINES FEBC in IN 2225, IS, ID's, Christian cmntry & quotes, ezl mx, f (Brouillette IL 1/24)
- 97803 YEMEN Rep of Yemen R in EG/AR 1758-1915+, AR pgming to 1758, flute IS, NA 1800, ancmts in EG, nx, US/Euro/AR mx, back to AR pgmg 1900 (Alexander PA1/15, D'Angelo PA 2/8, Serra ITALY)
- 9835 HUNGARY R Budapest in EG 0200, nx re the lack of safety on Budapest streets, f (Pasquale PA 1/20)
- RUSSIA V of Vietnam relay Petropavlovsk in VT \*0400-0458\*, Hanoi ID with short fanfare, OM & YL 9875nf
- in VT throughout xmsn, some mx breaks, powerhouse signal on WCNA (Treibel WA 2/3) 9900
- EGYPT R Cairo in EG 2345, "Arabic by Radio" at 0000, exc on 2/3, not heard 2/6 (Field MI 2/3&6) 9945nf MONACO TWR relay Monte Carlo in Armenian 1600-1632\*, new fqy with // on 7935, both signals fair
- with a slight edge to 9945, pgm mostly tlk in language, familiar IS for TWR (Treibel WA 2/9)
- 9965 ARMENIA V of Armenia Yerevan in EG 2115, Pres of Georgia urges tlks between Armenia and Azerbaijan, ID, nx (Pasquale PA, Bauernhuber NY) in Armenian 2015, mx, IS, vocals, NA (Robinson TN)
- 9990 EGYPTR Cairo in FR 2002, exotic mx, U.S. show mx sung in AR, ID 2010, nx, g (Flynn OR 1/31) in EG 2127, quiz questions, nx, AR songs, good audio! (Brouillette IL 1/24)

- 11204 SOMALIA R Mogadishu in lang?/EG 1940-2058\*, African mx & vcls, ID in EG 2000, beamed to Europe, nx in EG, NA, het from aero traffic 11205 (Kohlbrenner FCDX/PA 2/9, D'Angelo FCDX 2/8) also hrd \*0359-0410 in lang, tlk, ID?, local mx, weak but clear (D'Angelo FCDX/PA 2/9)
- 11530 LEBANON AWR relay in lang? 1746, man with sermon, EG ID on the hr (D' Angelo FCDX/PA 2/9)
- 115701 PAKISTAN R Pakistan in EG 1403, nx til 1415, anomt by man in lang, //154647 (Fine VA 2/7)
- 11605 ISRAEL Kol Israel in EG 2015, protests on treatment of immigrants from Russia, g (Pasquale PA 1/9)
- 11620 INDIA AIR Bangalore in RS 1615, IS, subcont vol, fair sig but very noisy, //15140 better covering HCJB in SP (Ziołkowski NY 1/31) in EG 2250, ID on the hr, Indian song, sitar mx (Newbury NE 1/18)
- GUAM KSDA Adv World R relay in EG 1528, full ID, QSL addr & Web site (Rippel VA 1/20) 11625nf
- 11635 PHILIPPINES FEBC in EG 0926, IS, ID's, pgm preview, world nx, sermon, f-p (Serra 1TALY 1/20) 11690
- JORDAN R Jordan in AR 1628, nx of King Hussein's death, EG usually on this slot (Brandi NJ 2/7) 11705 BRAZIL R Nova Visão in PT 2230, ID, relig pgm w/frequent mention of "Jesus Cristo". On exact fqv
- rather than listed split, f (Treibel WA 1/30) PT ballads, New Age mx at 0955, f (Lineback KS 1/24) 11705 CANADA R Japan relay in EG 0013, interview w/Malama musician, mx after (Newbury NE 1/10)
- 117341 TANZANIA VoT Zanzibar in SH 1800-2100\*, AR mx, pips, ID, many ments Dar es Salaam, local instrml mx, nx on the hr (Kohlbrenner PA, Rippel VA, Klinck NY, Serra ITALY 1/27)
- IRAN VOIRI Teheran in EG 1610-1626\*, Asia xmsn, Islam feature, ID's, poor audio (Flynn OR 2/3) 11775nf
- 11775 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon in EG 2000, relay of Dr Gene Scott sermon, f (Bauernhuber NY 2/1) 11810 RWANDA D Welle relay in EG 1935, Nigerian mx, Brundi sanctions lifted, g (Newbury NE 1/26)
- BRAZIL R Anhanguera in PT 1455, nx, econ emntry, ads, ID's "CBN Brasil" (Eramo ARGEN 2/4) 11830
- 11845nf GERMANY R Liberty relay Holzkirchen in UK 1705, "Svboda ID" fair sig in the clear, nx, mx breaks,/ /11705 (Lampertheim, Germany) and 7175 (Biblis, Germany) weakest (Treibel WA 1/28)
- 11895 BRAZIL LBV Mundial in PT 1420, sports, cmntry, ads, 1D with mx jingle (Eramo ARGEN 2/4) 11910nf GERMANY R Swiss Int relay Julich in AR/EG 2000, fqy, sked, ID, financial nx (McGuire MD 1/18)
- BRAZIL R Gaucha in PT 0920, call-in pgm, g, //6020 stiffed by R Australia (Lineback KS 1/24) F1915
- 11920 THAILAND VOA relay Udo Thani in EG 1836, sports pgm, ancmts, ID, f (Serra ITALY 1/20)
- 11925 BRAZIL R Bandeirantes in PT 2328, US hits of 80's w/DJ, nx rpts every 20 mins, weak but clear sig (Brouillette IL 1/30) in PT 0927, ads mentioning Sao Paulo, g (Lineback KS 1/24) 119404
- CAMBODIA Nat V of Cambodia in lang 1227, SEA vocals, ID 1230, sig tune, tlk (Rippel VA 1/31) ANGOLA R Nac de Angola in PT 0345, pop mx include "Macarena", pips, nx, ments of Luanda, 1D at 119548
- 0408 "Radio Nacional de Angola", fair, hrd almost daily (Brandi NJ 1/22, Brouillette IL 2/2) 11990
- KUWAIT RK in EG 1805-1900, AR mx, brief nx, ID, features (McGuire MD 2/7, Newbury NE 1/24) 11995
- PHILIPPINES FEBC in EG 1307, C&W mx, interviews, QRM from usb signal (Fine VA 1/23)
- TUNISIA RTV Tunisienne in AR 2311, nx, many items on Iraq, vp (Brouillette IL 1/30) in AR 0420, man 120046 and woman anneing many songs, f-g (Wolf OH 1/28) 12025nf PHILIPPINES VOA relay Tinang in EG \*1800-1830\*, interview of actor speaking in RS, call-in from
- listener in Egypt, ID, fqy, sked offer (Treibel WA 2/10)
- 12085 MONGOLIA V of Mongolia in EG 1226, mx, IS, ID, instrumentals, nx, f - g (D' Angelo FCDX-PA 2/8)
- 13650 GERMANY R Vlaanderen Int relay Jülich in EG 1743, "Brussells Calling", weak (Krause OH 1/11)
- 13650 JAPAN NHK Tokyo in CH 2236, long piano sel, NA, tlk in CH, //9560 stronger (Costello NJ 2/14)
- 13670 NETHERLAND ANTILLES R Vlaanderen relay Bonaire in EG 2230, world nx, "Focus on Europe" tlk on tourism, feature on child exploitation (Bauernhuber NY, Pasquale PA, Newbury NE)
- 13675 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES UAE Radio Dubai in AR 1418, Koran reading, Mideast mx, tlk, f-p (Bueneman MO 2/18) in EG 1612, mostly tlk, f, //15395, 15345 (Ziolkowski NY 1/31)
- 13685 SWITZERLAND SRI in IT 0900, ID, nx, mx breaks, "Magazine" feature, //9885 (Serra ITALY 1/20)
- 13820nf GERMANY RTBF French Lang Net relay Julich in FR 1707, tlk, mixing w/R Marti (Brandi NJ 2/7) 13820
- CUBA Jammer stn bubble sound effectively obliterating R Marti xmsn to Cuba (Bueneman MO 2/18) 15050v COSTA RICA RFPI in EG 2115, tlk on God giving us strength to survive cancer, f (Bauernhuber NY)
- 15165 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA Riyadh in Somali 0405, prayers, Mideast mx, tlk, exc (Witham HI 1/17)
- 15170 FRENCH POLYNESIA RFO Tahiti in FR 0239, island pop mx, tlk, solar flux 178! (Costello NJ 1/23)
- 15190 PHILIPPINES R Pilipinas in lang 1930\*, continuous mx, ID, sked, fqys, abruptly off (D'Angelo 2/9)
- 15210 FRANCE R France Int in EG 1700, rpt on Serbian attack on Kosovo, Afr & nat'l nx (McGuire MD)
- 15240nf MOROCCO VOA relay in EG 2200\*, "News Now", ID, sked before sign off, f (McGuire MD 2/2)
- 15275nf SWITZERLAND SRI Sottens in IT/AR/FR 1628, new fqy s/on w/familiar bells IS, ID in EG, into IT at 1630, AR 1700-1800, and FR 1800-1815 sign off., //Jülich relays 6165, 9620 hrd (Treibel WA 1/6)

- 15330 GUAM KTWR Trans World R relay in EG 0830, relig sermon & songs, ID, QTH (Serra ITALY 1/20)
- 15390 ROMANIA RRI Bucharest in EG 1310, nx re NATO meeting about Kosovo, f (Pasquale PA 1/23)
- 154758 t ANTARCTICA LRA36 R Nac Arcangel in SP 0003, accordion & other mx, IDs 0035 & 0100, fqys, test transmission, f-p, thanks to Jay Novello for tip (Brandi NJ 2/20)
- 15500nf MALI China R Int relay in EG 2110, rpt on polit status of Macao, other nx (Fraser MA, McGuire MD)
- 15605nf? AUSTRALIA RA in EG 0715, rpt on economy of Pacific nations, ID, nx, QRM, p (Witham HI 1/24)
- 15665 NO MARIANAS KIIBI in EG 0920, relig pgm, ID, Boston QTH, sermon, f (Serra ITALY 1/21)
- 17535nf ISRAEL Kol Israel in EG 1518, airport customs workers on strike, g, //15650 (Fraser MA 1/19)
- 17560 GABON R France Int relay in EG 1435, 1D, news on what is going on in Europe (Krause OH 1/13)
- 17675 NEW ZEALAND RNZI in EG 0650, pgm titled "Cadenza", mx of Elgar, ID, nx, g (Witham HI 1/27)
- 17825 JAPAN NIIK Tokyo in EG 0305, Japanese seminars on new technologies, f-g (Newbury NE 1/17)
- 178352 PAKISTAN R Pakistan in EG 0819, pop song, tlk, 1D in poor EG, mx & chants, f (Serra ITALY 1/20)
- 21510 UKRAINE RUI in EG 1249, mx pgm hosted by YL, fqy lists, nice signal (Fine VA 1/23)
- 21550 CHILE Voz Cristiana Santiago in SP 2100, ID, nx (noticias), relig tlk, LA vcl (Bauernhuer NY 1/13)
- 21610nf SPAIN R Ext de España in SP 1531, "Magazine" pgm, 1D 1545, //17775, 21570 (Brandi NJ 2/10)
- 217(i) GABON R Japan relay in IT 1026, 1S, 1D, fqys, local nx, econ cmntry, feature, f (Serra ITALY 1/20)

### Clandestine, Tentatives, Presumed, or Unknown

- 6100v ALBANIA(p) RTV Shquiptar(t) in AL? 0745, mx, TC, one pip, ID? garbled (Brandi NJ 2/2)
- 6130 CLANDESTINE R Free Iraq in AR 1635, mentions of Iraq, brief mx, //11915 (Witham HI 1/16)
- 6230 KAZAKIISTAN(p) Kazak R(t) in lang? 2330, non-stop ranting by man, at 2342 switched to pgm of regional pop mx, some tlk in RS (Novello NC 2/5) Hrd again at s/on 0000, low modul, 1S a couple of times, long choral anthem, no ID heard, however (Novello NC 2/13)
- 7000 SUDAN(t) V of Liberty & Renewal Sudan Alliance Forces in lang 0415, lcl mx similar to what is brd on the Ethiopian stations. Very strange sounding! Irregular sked it seems. (Alexander PA 1/23)
- 71001 UNIDENTIFIED Mideast vocal at tune-in 2149, instrm!s thereafter, brief ancmts, intermittent ham QRM steady from 2159, 4 pips 2200, into tlk, poor modul, lang possibly AR (Hill MA 1/29)
- 79999 ERITREA V of Sudan(t) in AR 0437, tlk by OM, AR mx, f/o 0500 (Brandi NJ 1/30) sign on in AR \*0401, all talk, fair signal with occasional ham interference (Field M1 2/7)
- 9395 CLANDESTINER Free Asia in Lao 1158, vocal in lang, 1200 ID in EG, into tlk in Khmer lang, fair signal in the clear (Ziolkowski NY 1/16) ED: I apologize for being unable to make up my mind as to where to classify RFA (Clandestine or regular SW section) I understand that the US Govt is cagey abt identifying the location of some of the xmtrs. Neither PWBR nor the RFA Web site are any help.
- 96748 PERU(p) R del Pacifico(t) in SP 1112, slow SP tlk, relig vocals, f/o 1137, f-p (Ziolkowski NY 1/17)
- 10330 INDIA(p) AIR(t) in lang 1203, Hindu mx, "Akashvani" ID? 1230, Vividh Bharati pgm (Brandi NJ 2/3)
- 11840 UKRAINE(p) R Almaty Kazakhstan relay in lang? 1202, songs by YL interspersed with anmts by OM, signal fairly clear but weak and barely readable during ancmts (Fine VA 1/23)
- 11785 IRAQ(?) R Iraq Int(?) at 1430-1500+, Mideast mx under strong bubble jammer (Alexander PA 1/15)

NOTE: Ye olde editor expects to be in Arizona for baseball Spring training between March 19-27 so I have to complete the April column before I leave. It will be most helpful if you send your loggings directly to me via E-mailif I could receive them by the 12th or 13th of March. Likewise, for those who use the regular mail, please send your stuff in to Fred Kohlbrenner a few days earlier than usual. Thanks for your consideration in shrinking the deadline a wee bit. 73's.

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# THE 1999 NORTH AMERICAN DX CHAMPIONSHIPS (NADXC) A Shortwave Listening Contest Sponsored by The Association of North American Radio Clubs (ANARC)

<u>PURPOSE</u>: This contest is designed to promote the shortwave listening hobby and to provide those SWL's and DXer's interested in competing an opportunity to participate in a carefully run, challenging contest.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The 1999 DX Championship is open to all DXer's residing in North America [as defined by the country list of the North American Shortwave Association (NASWA)]. Members of the NADXC Administrative Committee are excluded from participation.

<u>LISTENING PERIOD, FREQUENCIES, AND TIMES:</u> The contest listening period will begin on Friday, 19 March 1999, at 1900 EST (0000 UTC) and end Sunday, 21 March 1999, at 2359 EST (0459 UTC).

<u>PRIZES:</u> Plaques will be awarded by ANARC to the top three finishers. All entrants will receive a participation certificate indicating that they competed in the 1999 North American DX Championships. The certificates for the top 20 will have their place of finish in the NADXC indicated on the certificate.

SCORING: Contestants are to log as many stations as possible from as many countries as possible within the prescribed listening parameters. The first station logged from each country= 1 point. The second station from each country= 3 points; each additional station from that country= 5 points. To qualify for the contest, each contestant must present logs of five stations from each continent (Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, Oceania and South America) as a minimum—entries without these 30 logs will not be considered. These required countries are to be counted in point totals. Upon completion of the contest, multiply the point total by the number of countries heard to determine the final score. For contest purposes, all clandestine stations and hobby pirate transmissions will be considered one "country." A station is a shortwave broadcaster whose transmissions are intended for reception by the general public. Each transmitter site of a broadcasting organization will count as a separate station. Different services of the same broadcast organization do not count as separate stations. Transmissions of a single broadcast organization on various frequencies may only be counted once. The use of multiple frequencies does not create as many new stations as frequencies used. For country counting and station counting purposes, the country list of the North American Shortwave Association (45 Wildflower Road, Levittown, Pa 19057) will be the sole criterion.

Each contestant is required to submit a log to include country, station, frequency, time, date, SINPO, and the basis of station identification (i.e., spoken ID, interval signal, language, program, known//frequency checked, etc.). The required five countries from each continent should be placed at the beginning of the log.

Each contestant is required to total his own entry and provide a summary of the number of countries and stations claimed to support the point totals. The receiver(s) used in the contest must also be indicated. Logs will be judged on accuracy, completeness and neatness. If the judges cannot read a log, it will not be counted for scoring purposes. The decision of the judges is final.

<u>FEES:</u> An administrative fee of \$4.00 plus four \$0.32 stamps must be provided for each contest entry. All entries must be postmarked by Wednesday, 1 April 1998, and sent to: **Dr. Harold Cones, Two Whits Court, Newport News, VA 23606 USA**. Checks should be made payable to Dr. Harold Cones, not ANARC or NADXC.

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