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Publisher's Note

Lots of foreign DX material this week, with the return of DXWW-II, and both DX Worldwides reporting in. Anyone interested in hosting the 2002 IRCA convention, please contact IRCA President Lee Freshwater, 414 SE 3rd St, Ocala FL 34471. E-mail: ENGWTRS@aol.com.

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DX Tests

PLEASE NOTE: Even if you don't hear a test, be sure and drop a card, letter, or e-mail to the station personnel, thanking them for going to the trouble to run a test!

Sunday, November 4, 2001 - WODI-1230, Brookneal, VA will conduct a DX test from 1:00 am - ?? EST. The test will consist of Morse code, distinctive music, and voice announcements. Reception reports (with return postage) may be sent to:

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(Arranged by Dave Marthouse for the NRC / DXAS.) Also, if you hear a test, PLEASE, PLEASE let me know, via either e-mail or in rec.radio.shortwave And if you send a reception report to a station, please remember to include return postage with your report...—Lynn Hollerman

Here's the results of the most recent DX test that have been received here:

WJNT-1180, Pearl/Jackson, MS - tested Saturday, October 6, 2001, 12:00-1:00 am CDT

This test was widely heard, with reporters from all over! Doug Smith, in Pleasant View, TN (near Nashville) heard the Morse IDs (2) right out of the news, and Rick Kenneally in Wilton, CT says he also heard the Morse, but no other audio due to a difficult to null WHAM and some SS stations. Rick Shaftan of Sparta, NJ also heard the Morse IDs, as well as some Morse at about 0153, as well as a signal weak under WHAM with a woman taking phone calls. Jeffery Kenyon in Grosse Point, MI (just outside Detroit) reports he heard the same things as Rick, but notes that the Cuban was much stronger. Patrick Griffith in Westminster, CO, heard the WJNT test on 2 different receivers, on a car radio in a '96 Ford Bronco as well as a Drake R-8 w/ Kiwa loop. Rich Toebe of Davis, CA (near Sacramento) sent a detailed report to WJNT of exactly what he heard, which included mentions of the talk show that was carried by WJNT at the time, but also that he heard NO code and had a lot of QRM from an SS station and some others.

Greg Myers in Clearwater, FL also reports hearing the test, while Tim Hall in Chula Vista, CA says he heard nothing under a local and a presumed Radio Marti. Eric Breon in Middletown, PA also says he heard no code and no local QRM, but just Latin music, WHAM,

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and a female talk show host but no ID (which may've been WJNT's programming!). Mike Brooker in Toronto, ON reported basically the same thing, and commented on WHAM's strength. Keith McGinnis in Winthrop, MA heard bits of the WJNT code, also using a Drake R-8 and a Kiwa loop. Thomas Giella of Plant City, FL heard a Morse ID from WJNT but no other discernable audio from the station - he heard WHAM and says Radio Marti was not completely nullable. I was in Rensselaer, IN (80 mi SW of Chicago) for a family wedding that night, and I was able to pick up the WJNT test on the Yacht Boy 400 (internal antenna) I brought along. Larry Hall Sr., about 20 mi west of Chicago, reports WJNT came in like gangbusters at his QTH.

WJNT also made it to northeast MN, as Paul LaFreniere reports hearing them with a decent null on WHAM on a DR-22, DX-160, and a CCRadio. RC Watts in Louisville, KY says WJNT had a very strong signal at his QTH with slight fades and periodic interference. Brian Goodrich in Greensboro, NC also heard the test and sent a message to WJNT as well, detailing exactly what he heard. Ron Gitschier in Jacksonville, FL also detailed what he heard, and mentions he taped the whole program, starting about 10 minutes before the test and got WHAM, WJNT, and R. Rebelde in Havana. Mike Hawk says the test made it to his QTH in Boulder, CO and he heard WJNT play CBS news and a code ID. He reports severe splatter from a local on 1190 and some interference from unid EE and SS stations. Morris Sorensen in Winnipeg, MB heard a partial code ID from WJNT on a Drake R-8 with a Quantum QX Pro loop. Bruce Portzer in Seattle reports he barely heard a Morse ID from WJNT, that KOPI and KLAY were overwhelming. However, in the San Francisco Bay area, Art Peterson says that just as it seemed he wasn't going to hear the test due to trouble looping KERI and KOPI, he heard a solid CW ID from WJNT - and then heard it again a few minutes later - on a Bendix MN-26C with a Radio West loop.

WOW! It's GREAT to see so many reports!!! That's all for now...Lynn.

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CALL SIGN CHANGES

FREQ.	CALL - CITY	NEW CALL
620	CKCK- Regina, SK	CKRM
980	CKRM- Regina, SK	CKCK

FORMAT CHANGES

FREQ.	CALL - CITY	NEW INFO
960	WHAK- ROGERS CITY, MI	TALK
1000	WDJL- HUNTSVILLE, AL	SILENT
1150	WSNW- SENECA, SC	SILENT
1210	WDGR- DAHLONEGA, GA	SILENT
1240	WJNC- JACKSONVILLE, NC	TALK
1260	KLDS- FALFURIAS, TX	SILENT
1310	WCCW- TRAVERSE CITY, MI	SPTS- ESPN // WKJF
1400	KVFD- FORT DODGE, IA	TALK & SPORTS
1410	WNWZ- GRAND RAPIDS, MI	TALK
1430	KALV- ALVA, OK	OLDIES - JONES
1530	KPCR- BOWLING GREEN, MO	CL. C&W
1570	KTAT- FREDERICK, OK	C&W // KYBE
1580	WAMW- WASHINGTON, IN	SOFT AC // FM - ABC
1590	WPSN- HONESDALE, PA	REAL C&W
	WMIM- MOUNT CARMEL, PA	SILENT

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 620 KJOL CO, Grand Junction 10/5 0816 REL music, announcement about "Broadcast appreciation month," then call ID, address, and website. In and out (mostly out) for the next half hour, with KTAR QRM. Ex-KRDY. (JW-CO)
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- 580 KMJ CA, Fresno 10/5 0852 "KMJ Market Watch," weather at 0854, then traffic and Farm Calendar. Fair signal, not much QRM. (JW-CO)
- 600 KOGO CA, San Diego 10/5 0833 sports roundup, ad for Andrea Botticelli concert, car ad, call ID's. Fair in KCOL null. (JW-CO)
- 620 KTAR AZ, Phoenix a powerhouse on 10/4 at 0753 with promo for "The AZ Diamondbacks only on KTAR." (LG-MT)
- 650 CISL BC, Richmond 10/8 0305 ID after oldies tune, atop in KSTE's null. Becomming a regular. (DKK-CA)
- 720 KUAI HI, Eleele 10/8 0308-0325 very weak above high noise level with KDWN OC off/on. Playing Hawaiian music with local announcements at 0315. First time heard in many years. A recheck at 0340 found only WGN weakly. (DKK-CA)
- 800 KDFO CA, Bakersfield was miraculously on top at 0900 on 10/3 with ID as "Fox Sports Radio 800, KDFO." New. (LG-MT)
?KDFO?+10/5 0859 ID as "Sports Radio 800, ?KDFO Bakersfield"? Last part of ID garbled, but fairly sure it was KDFO. Call and format would fit. Needed here for a call change, ex-KHIS. (JW-CO)
- 860 ?KPAM? OR, Troutdale was surely the one with "Portland's morning news" at 1000 on 10/11. The ID, though, sounded like "Newstalk 860, KTAR." Strong QRM from KBEE. (LG-T)
- 970 KUFO OR, Portland 10/8 0945 with ID during tele-talk program. In fairly well considering next door KABL's heavy slop. Has been noted atop often since. (DKK-CA)

- 980 K SVC UT, Richfield 10/6 2130-2145 in/out with Utah-S. Florida football game. Several ID's 2140-41. KFWB looped out. (DKK-CA)
- 990 KRKS CO, Denver had a good signal with ID at 0957 10/10. QRM from C&W station, probably KRKT. (LG-MT)
- KRKT OR, Albany was all alone with C&W and legal ID at 1000 on 10/8, then into AP Network News. New. (LG-MT)
- 1090 KBOZ MT, Bozeman 10/10 0746 C&W music, "Real Country" slogan, mixing with unID Spanish language station, probably XEPRS. (AB-CA)
- 1130 ?KFAN? MN, Minneapolis probably the talk-type program with two mentions of the Twin Cities at 0800 on 9/30. CKWX was pretty weak. (LG-MT)
- 1220 K SFB CA, Palo Alto was especially strong and all alone at 0900 on 9/30. Man ID'd and added "More than talk." (LG-MT)
- KWKU CA, Pomona 10/8 0107-0120 with Spanish // KWKW-1330 sneaking thru K SFB/KIIS. ID for both stations given in Spanish at 0115. Very auroral tonight. Only time this station has ever been heard. (DKK-CA)
- ?KCCS? OR, Salem was probably the one with a local football game; the announcer mentioned the Willamette Valley. I forgot to write down time but it was 10/5 around 2300. I don't hear this one often. (LG-MT)
- 1270 KCMJ CA, Thousand Palms 9/27 0301 with ID after NOS song, "1270 Memories, KCMJ," briefly over KJUG in KBZZ null. Stayed atop for about 5 minutes. (DKK-CA)
- 1590 KLFE WA, Seattle 10/7 0852 SoGos music to 0900 ID "Today's Christian Talk 1590 and Southern Gospel nights, K-Life KLFE Seattle," then SRN news. Needed here for call change, ex-KZOK. (JW-CO)
- 1660 KAXW CA, Merced 10/9 0202 noted ID in English for KRAN their sister station on 1580. In past all ID's were in Spanish for first KRAN then KAXW. This was different. Why? (DKK-CA)
- 1680 KYEA LA, Monroe 10/8 0853 on top of KAVT for a new catch, thanks to Pat Martin. I heard ID for affiliate KMLB-1440 and several mentions of events taking place in Monroe. I assume this is the one I heard 10/1 with non-stop Gospel singing 2257-2305. (LG-MT)

DX TEST

- 1180 WJNT MS, Jackson code heard at 0120 under KOFI. Weak but readable 10/6. (FA-ID)
- +10/6 0135-0202 probable heard in mess on frequency; KOFI dominant, was mostly nulled to reveal KERI, a Spanish speaker and bits & snips of "Rhona at Night" program. At times Rhona faded up strongly with clearly heard dialogue with caller; mostly the signal was choppy and fadey. Sent a report by e-mail to Stan Carter; thanks Lynn for organizing this test! Possible new state for me! (RT-CA)

UNIDS

- 970 10/11 0215 noted Spanish talker in jumble for 10-15 minutes. Mexico? Idaho? (DKK-CA)
- 1090 10/11 0237 noted a "Sporting News Radio" slogan beneath XEPRS. Never heard a sports station on this frequency. A format change for someone? (DKK-CA)
- 1180 10/8 0150-0205 + Spanish noted with jazz and ballads. No ID's given, even at TOH. Was in KOFI null, may have been KERI testing or maybe not. (DKK-CA)
- 1200 10/12 0200-0220 male, female speaking Spanish similar to Rebelde sound heard while listening for WJNT; never heard ID, but heard phone numbers given, so likely NOT Cuba. Was strong but choppy mostly. WOAI faded up and became powerhouse at 0215, gave up at 0220. No area codes were heard, too bad. (RT-CA)
- 1480 10/11 0300 heard a "Radio Unica" slogan beneath KRXR's TOH ID. Maybe KHQN-UT? Never heard them at night. (DKK-CA)
- 1530 10/10 1003 weak with instrumental national anthem at 1003. Announcer with presumed s/on at 1005, but too weak to copy. Probably KHPY. (JW-CO)

Have you joined the IRCA Contest yet?

Nancy 10/12 2300

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 690 KTSM TX, El Paso. 10-7 excellent, alone, and very loud. 07:53 with promo for HGTV, "KTSM El Paso" ID. Heard many times as KHEY, but never this good. [PAL-MN]
- 900 WIBU WI, Wisconsin Dells. 10-2 very good. 18:00 with legal ID in Jones Standards format. New call, EX-WDLS. No format change, but no longer simulcasts with 1240 Poynette. [TN-WI]
- 1060 WKMQ MS, Tupelo. 10-7 fair. 07:05 with ID "AM 10-60 WKMQ" and phone number, promo for Michael Reagan Show, and numerous mentions of "Talk radio KMQ" without the "W." AM Log lists this one as country. Lost to an SS. [PAL-MN]
- 1240 WHFA WI, Poynette. 10-2. Local. 19:00 legal ID in new Catholic format. Requesting funds to build studios and stay on air more. New call, EX-WIBU which was Jones Standards with simulcast with 900 Wisconsin Dells. Now on the air with only limited hours, and off most times I checked. They seem to be on at 19:00 every day, but off again by early evening. [TN-WI]
- 1320 KYHN AR, Fort Smith. 10-12 fair with others. 03:31 with promo into Art Bell program. [JJR-WI]

25 YEARS AGO

October 23, 1976 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Michael Hogan of Highland, IN commented on the large number of DX Tests scheduled and was looking forward to the new season ... Mark Connelly of Arlington, MA provided a detailed procedure to hear Trans-Atlantic stations ... Ray Arruda of New Bedford, MA logged two WY stations within two weeks of each other. KTWO-1030 and KRNK-1530.

OPEN MIKE

Have you joined the DX Contest this year? This column was typed 10-13-01. 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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LOGGINGS

570	AL	WAAX	Gadsden 10/3 1402 Out of ABC news, into local news. Best on N/S wire on top of background. S-5 level (HN-GA)
580	GA	WGAC	Agusta 10/2 2000 PSA for GA.Pacific; Break in Braves BB; "580 News Talk Radio-WGAC- Augusta (WM-MD)
590	VA	WLVA	Lynchburg 10/5 1835 Promo for VA Tech FB; ID (WM-MD)
600	TN	WREC	Memphis 10/3 0258 PSA for Religion in America; "News Radio 680-WREC"; legal ID "A Clear Channel station, WREC Memphis" into ABC radio news. By 0312, down in the slop. (HN-MD)
680	NC	WPTF	Raleigh 10/3 2000 "Newstalk 680"; ID (WM-MD)
710	GA	WUFF	Eastman 10/3 1428 "Distinctive ID using a wolf howl ; legal ID as "710 WUFF Eastman, the WOLF" They have an FM // AM both w/ C&W format. Best on N/S S-7-9 Groundwave (HN-GA)
720	FL	WRZN	Hernando 10/2 2330 Tentative with NOS mx, in WGN null 10/3 2100 In w/ NOS mx; "Sunshine720", CNN News (WM-MD)
	NC	WGCR	Pisgah Forest 10/3 1900 ID, SSB hrd, poor (WM-MD)
840	VA	WKTR	Earlysville 10/7 1830 "The Ministry Station"; ID (WM-MD)
880	GA	WBKZ	Jefferson 10/5 2235 Blk Gspl mx hrd, ID (WM-MD)
940	GA	WMAC	Macon 10/2 1935 Local Ads, "News Talk 940" ID, then Atlanta Braves Baseball (WM-MD)
	PA	WADV	Lebanon 10/7 1845 Gospel Mx hrd; ID (WM-MD)
960	GA	WRFC	Athens 9/22 0207 "The Ref" with Sporting News Network. Coming in and fading out with good and readable quality in an Unusual absence of the usual 960 slop, (HN-GA)
980	GA	WPGA	Perry 10/3 1438 Kid format, Radio Disney. Excellent on N/S wire S-8 steady , groundwave (HN-GA)
1020	SC	WRIX	Homeland Park 10/4 1855-1900 S. GSPL mx hrd; full sign off, Fair in KDKA null (WM-MD)
	SC	WRIX	Homeland Park 10/3 1445 Religious program. Best on N/S wire Good over 1010 WGVN slop S-5 to S-7 (HN-GA)
1070	TN	WFLI	Lookout Mountain 10/3 1905 Weather; ID (WM-MD)
1190	IN	WOWO	Fort Wayne 9/26 0216. Even with reduced power, they still boom in with solid 1020 over S-9 with syn. Talk format (HN-GA)
1200	TX	WOAI	San Antonio 10/4 2235 Ad fopr Home Depot; "Newsradio 1200" ID into Phil Hendrie show (WM-MD)
1230	VA	WJOI	Norfolk 10/3 0000 After Neil Diamond song, ID (WM-MD)
1270	FL	WNLS	Tallahasse 9/30 0100 Briefly in at TOH w/legal ID , into sports newscast, Better on N/S l.w . Back in at 0102 at an S-9 level with some fading (slow) and occasional flutter. Fox sports (HN-GA)
1290	NY	WNBF	Binghamton 10/5 2200 Promo for Syracuse F.B.; "Newstalk 1290" ID; ABC hourly news (WM-MD)
1350	GA	WMNG	Warner Robbins 10/1 1748 "AM 1350 WMNG, Warner Robbins" legal ID w/NOS music. Good on N/S wire, no sign of it on E/W Groundwave signal (HN-GA)
1410	DE	WDOV	Dover 10/5 1950 H.S. FB, "Newsradio 1410" ID. (WM-MD)
1420	PA	WCED	Dubois 10/5 2003 H.S. FB game hrd, mention of Dubois Beavers and "Classic 1420" Ids. (WM-MD)
1430	GA	WGFS	Covington 10/1 1751 Noted much better signal late in the day, with new power (3900/212) Still disappears into the 1430 slop about 30 minutes before local SS-LOCAL OLDIES format (HM-GA)
1450	GA	WMVG	Milledgeville 10/1 1755 Good signal with local funeral anncmnts and community calendar. Signal slightly choppy but readable (HN-GA)
1520	GA	WRVQ	Eatonton 10/1 1803 ID with "Your Star Station" Part of a local multi station network of AM-FM simulcasts. Out of local news into Herb Alpert tune Solid Groundwave (HN-GA)
1550	SC	WBSC	Bennettsville 10/4 2005 Local Ads, Mentions of Marlboro County and Bennettsville. (WM-MD)
1590	AL	WVNA	Tuscumbia 9/22 0230 "The valley knows where to get news, talk

and sports – you will too, when you dial 1590, WVNA AM
Tuscumbia. Stong at BOH, slow fade into slop at 0235 (HN-GA)
1620 TX WTAW College Station 10/5 2248 H.S. FB hrd, mention of Houston
Astros (WM-MD)

UNIDEN

1080 ?? ???? 10/5 1850-1900 Promo for local event, C&W GSPL Bluegrass
Sounding Music hrd. (WM-MD)
1270 ?? ???? 10/5 2155 Enf of H.S. FB games, mentions of Greenville and Clark
County (WM-MD)
1590 ?? ???? 10/5 2100 Braves B.B. hrd in mix, also H.S. FB hrd (WM-MD)

Thats a wrap for this week. Thanks to William and Herb. I saved a couple of local loggings
from Herb for next week... Lets hear from the rest of you !!!!!!! 73s and all the best....G.B.A.
-----fresh 10/14/00....1900.....

DX WORLDWIDE – WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX

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Pretty good conditions continue from Asia at times this week. Also reports this week from Kevin Redding, Don Kaskey. and Paul from MN. So away we go. *(I inadvertently left out PM's Guam loggings from last week's column, here they are. -RT)*

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

650 MEXICO, Los Mochis, XETNT "La Ley" slogan noted 0731 10/6 atop KSTE. Station noted often during AU cx. (DKK-CA)

t1060 MEXICO, Mexico DF, XEEP, 10/7, 1125 strange mx, almost sounded like someone chanting in Koran, followed by EZL mx which did not sound SS. Then at 1130 what sounded like complete ID, with mentions of Mexico and Radio Educacion. Then into some strange mx that sounded like pow-wow singing followed by long guitar intro into male SS vocal. Signal was phenomenal from tune in at 1125 until fade out at 1139. No sign of KYW before, during or after. The reason I am reporting this as tentative is because I don't understand SS, even though I do believe this to be XEEP. (PAL-MN) *(This sure sounds like XEEP. I logged them earlier, a couple weeks back. PM)*

1200 MEXICO, Culiacan, Sin. XEWT, 10/13 1911 playing banda and ranchera. "La Tremenda" between songs. (KR-AZ)

1410 MEXICO, Los Mochis, Sin. XECF 10/13 1901 used "La Mexicana" slogan a lot and Radio Impaco once. Its running // to FMer but I didn't get the calls and req although they were given. Into banda song by El Coyote y Su Banda. (KR-AZ)

1420 MEXICO, Cd. Juarez, XEF 10/13 1900 playing love ballads (romantica) then ID and returned to love ballads (KR-AZ)

1420 MEXICO, Tijuana XEXX 10/9 0407 w/Doble Equis ID, woman ancr. (KR-AZ)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

531 JAPAN, Morioka, JOQG, very good 1323 10/12, JJ talk by man. (PM-OR)

531 NEW ZEALAND, Auckland IXPI, good with "Radio Pacific Islands" mention by woman 0940 10/12, Island mx. (PM-OR)

531 PHILIPPINES, UNID Filipino talk u/JOQG 1410 10/12. (PM-OR)

540 JAPAN, Synchron, JJ talk u/domestics at 1324 10/12 // 531 (PM-OR)

540 WESTERN SAMOA, Apia, very strong on top of domestics with Island mx, woman in Samoan 0945 10/12. At 0958 sounded like s/off message and many mentions of "samoa" and then what sounded like NA at 1001 UTC (PM-OR)

549 JAPAN, Okinawa, JOAP // 540 at 1325 10/12, JJ talk (PM-OR)

558 FIJI, Naula, Radio Fiji 1 with man in Fijian & Island mx 0952 10/12. Good. (PM-OR)

558 JAPAN, Kobe JOCR, good with woman in JJ "Loud" 1415 10/12, with ment. of "Kobe" (PM-OR)

558 PHILIPPINES, Pasig MM, DZXL, "Radio Mindanao Network" good on top of JOCR with man in Tagalog and jingle "D-Z-X-L, Radio 5-5-8" at 1420 10/12 (PM-OR)

- 567 GUAM, Agana, KGUM 9/24 after logging KTWG, I checked 567 and I heard some net commercials, then at 1359.50 UTC "You are tuned to KGUM, Agana Guam", lost behind JOIK. (PM-OR)
- 576 PHILIPPINES, UNID, filipino talk mixing with JJ 1416 10/12. (PM-OR)
- t594 PHILIPPINES, Quezon City, DZBB presume the filipino talk in passing u/JOAK 1422 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 621 TUVALU, Funafuti T2U2, fair in splatter from KIPA with man is presumed Tuvaluan 0755 10/12. (PM-OR)
- t630 COOK ISLANDS, Rorotonga, ZK1ZC, presumed the source of the weak Island mx behind KWRO 0920 10/12. No ID possible, but hrd before, but they are rare, only during good AU cx. (PM-OR)
- 648 UNID, Okinawa? US Rock mx u/JJ at 1424 10/12, maybe FEN. (PM-OR)
- 657 PHILIPPINES, UNID, man in filipino talk 1417 10/12. (PM-OR)
- 666 NEW CALEDONIA, Noumea, good at times with man in FF 0949 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 666 PHILIPPINES, Valenzuela, DZRH with man in Tagalog/EE mix at 1435 10/12 "Manila Broadcasting Company, D-Z-R-H" (PM-OR)
- 720 HAWAII, Eleele, KUA1 10/8 0708-0720 with Hawaiian mx. Local announcements at 0715, KDWN only had OC off and on. First time hrd in many years. Recheck at 0740 found WGN alone. (DKK-CA)
- 738 TAHITI, very good and holding its own against KCBS-740, very nice with woman in FF 0730 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 738 TAIWAN, BEL2, very good w/CC Pops and woman in CC // 1143 at 1440 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 765 PHILIPPINES, UNID, another weak one with filipino talk mixing with two JJs 1434 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 774 JAPAN, Akita JOUB 10/11 1320 going into "NHK's EE Conversation Program" Signal was excellent for 15-20 minutes despite locally produced buzz. Love these EE Shows. (DKK-CA)
- 801 GUAM, Agana, KTWG fair and alone on channel with soft Christian mx 9/24 at 1355 UTC (0955 EDT), then at 1356 UTC, woman ancr gave s/off anmt. Mentioned KTWG was owned by Trans World Radio, operates on 801 khz with 10,000 watts of power. Then gave a Thought for the day. I have logged this several times in the past, but I have never heard their sign off anmt. (PM-OR)
- 801 TAIWAN?, Maybe the AF station with woman in CC pop mx 1445 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 918 JAPAN, Yamagata, YBC, JO1F, good with woman in JJ, mentioning "YBC" at the end of a presumed spot or anmt 1430 10/12. New for me, JJ Pops. Mx sounded much like a Japanese group that sounded like N'Sync or BSB, but in JJ. (PM-OR)
- 954 JAPAN, Tokyo JOKR quite "Loud" with JJ Pops 1443 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 963 PHILIPPINES, UNID, weak filipino talk again buried in growl of other station(s) off freq at 1437 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 972 PHILIPPINES, UNID briefly peaking 1452 10/12, sounded like some sort of sports program, but lost before any ID could be hrd, man in usual Tagalog, some EE words. (PM-OR)
- 981 PHILIPPINES, UNID, another weak Filipino here in jumble at 1448 10/12, man in Tagalog. (PM-OR)
- 1017 TONGA, Nuku'alofa, A3Z good with woman in Tongan 0920 10/10 (PM-OR)
- 1062 PHILIPPINES, MM, DZEC presume the usual tele-talk in Tagalog/EE words at times 1439 10/12. This is the most regular filipino hrd here. Common in the Fall, even when there are no others in. (PM-OR)
- 1143 PHILIPPINES, VOA, topped BEL3 at 1500 with ID "This is the Voice of America" at 1500 with Yankee Doodle, 10/12. (PM-OR)
- 1143 TAIWAN, BEL3 good // 738 with beautiful CC mx and YL ancr 1447 10/12 (PM-OR)
- 1179 JAPAN, Osaka JOOR good w/JJ talk 1453 10/12. (PM-OR)
- 1242 JAPAN, Tokyo JO1F, good with JJ talk in passing at 1435 10/13. (PM-OR)

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*** TRANSATLANTIC DX ***

- 153 ALGERIA Chaine 1, Bechar, SEP 26 2318 - // 549 with Arabic vocal; strong carrier,
but light audio. [MC*rw-MA]
162 FRANCE France-Inter, Allouis, SEP 26 2317 - French newstalk; fair to good. [MC*rw-
MA]
171 MOROCCO R. Mediterranee Internationale, Nador, SEP 26 2316 – Arabic male &
female pop vocal with drums & strings; local-like. [MC*rw-MA]
207 MOROCCO RTM, Azilal, SEP 26 2315 - // 612 with Arabic male vocal; excellent.
[MC*rw-MA]
549 ALGERIA Chaine 1, Les Trembles, SEP 26 2318 - // 153 with Arabic vocal; poor to
fair. [MC*rw-MA]
558 SPAIN RNE R.5 synthros, SEP 26 2343 - // 684 & 576 with Spanish talk; poor, in
WGAN slop. [MC*rw-MA]
576 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE R.5 synthros, SEP 26 2342 - // 684 with man &
woman in Spanish; poor. [MC*rw-MA]
585 SPAIN RNE R.1, Madrid, SEP 26 2313 - // 621 with woman in Spanish, then music;
to good peak with WEZE phased. [MC*rw-MA]
612 MOROCCO RTM, Sebaa-Aioun, SEP 26 2312 - // 207 with woman in Arabic, then
vocal; fair to good.
+ SEP 26 2346 - Arabic vocal with Indian influences (tabla drums, etc.); loud !
[MC*rw-MA]
621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE R.1 synthros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al., SEP 26
2310 - // 684 with woman reading list of names; excellent S9+20. [MC*rw-
MA]
639 SPAIN RNE R.1, La Coruna, SEP 26 2347 - // 621 with woman in Spanish; to fair
peak through tough CBN slop. [MC*rw-MA]
684 SPAIN RNE R.1, Sevilla, SEP 26 2310 - // 621 with woman in Spanish; fair. [MC*rw-
MA]
711.05 WESTERN SAHARA RTM, Laayoune, SEP 26 2304 - serious-sounding Arabic vocal
& drumming; loud, dominant. [MC*rw-MA]
738 SPAIN RNE R.1, Barcelona, SEP 27 0038 - // 621 with woman in Spanish; fair,
luckily not too much 740 slop. [MC*rw-MA]
747 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE R.5 synthros, SEP 26 2336 - woman in Spanish; to
fair peak. [MC*rw-MA]

- 774 unID SEP 26 2334 - very strong unmodulated carrier; over a jumble of audios. Spain with transmitter trouble or something else ? [MC*rw-MA]
- 783 MAURITANIA ORTM, Nouakchott, SEP 26 2259 - // 4845 with Arabic string & drum music, talk by man, then kalimba or similar instrument; loud. [MC*rw-MA]
- 801 SPAIN RNE R.1 synchros, SEP 26 2332 - // 621 with jazz vocal, then man & woman in Spanish; poor with WCCM phased. [MC*rw-MA]
- 819 MOROCCO RTM, Rabat, SEP 26 2322 - // 207 with male Arabic vocal; huge, stronger than WNYC-820. [MC*rw-MA]
- 836 AZORES RDP, Pico da Barrosa, SEP 26 2330 - mellow Jackson Browne style vocal; fair. [MC*rw-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, SEP 26 2350 - // 882 with woman in Spanish; dominant, over Azores-836 het. [MC*rw-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE R.1, Murcia et al., SEP 27 0035 - // 621 with romantic vocal; poor to fair in WEHI slop. [MC*rw-MA]
- 864 SPAIN RNE R.1, Socuellamos, SEP 27 0035 - // 621 with old-style Spanish vocal; poor but dominant. [MC*rw-MA]
- 873 SPAIN SER synchros, SEP 26 2352 - // 1044 with Spanish teletalk; to good peak. [MC*rw-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, SEP 26 2351 - // 837 with woman in Spanish; over presumed UK. [MC*rw-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA Chaîne 1, Algiers, SEP 26 2255 - Arabic wailing; to good peak with WBPS phased. [MC*rw-MA]
- 936 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 26 2353 - // 621 with man & woman in Spanish; fair to good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 945 FRANCE France Bleu, Toulouse, SEP 26 2253 - // 1206 with country-style male vocal; fair to good.
+ SEP 26 2354 - "Isn't She Lovely" by Stevie Wonder; excellent. [MC*rw-MA]
- 981 ALGERIA Radiodif. Algérienne, Algiers, SEP 26 2249 - Arabic dialogue with man & woman; excellent. [MC*rw-MA]
+ OCT 9 2340 - Arabic music. [MC*H-NH]
- 999 SPAIN COPE, Madrid, SEP 26 2250 - man in Spanish, compressed audio; good with just slight CKBW/WCMX-1000 slop. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1008 CANARY ISLANDS Onda Cero, Las Palmas, SEP 26 2355 - non-SER fast Spanish talk by man; good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1017 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 26 2356 - // 621 with man & woman in Spanish; poor to fair. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1044 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun, SEP 26 2248 - spirited Afropop-influenced Arabic female vocal with lots of drumming; excellent, way over SER-Spain. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros, SEP 26 2352 - // 873 with teletalk; under Morocco. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1053 SPAIN COPE synchros, SEP 27 0030 - // 837 with Spanish news by woman; good with WEVD phased. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1071 SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao, SEP 26 2247 - recent metal / Seattle "grunge" style rock hit; through CBA slop. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 27 0029 - // 621 with man & woman talk; good, over others. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 27 0023 - // 1152 with echoey slow Spanish talk by woman; fair to good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN SER synchros, SEP 27 0028 - // 1044 with teletalk; poor. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1125 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 27 0026 - Spanish talk in jumble with suspected Madeira. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1134 SPAIN COPE synchros, SEP 27 0025 - // 837 with man in Spanish; good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1143 SPAIN COPE synchros, SEP 27 0025 - // 837 with talk by man; fair. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1152 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 27 0023 - // 1107 with woman in Spanish; fair. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1179 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN SER synchros, SEP 27 0022 - // 1044 with Spanish teletalk; fair. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1206 FRANCE France Bleu, Bordeaux, SEP 26 2223 - lounge-style French male vocal; very good. [MC*rw-MA]

- 1215 SPAIN COPE synchros, SEP 26 2224 - fast Spanish talk by man & woman; to fair peak. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1242 FRANCE France Bleu, Marseille, SEP 26 2225 - // 1206 with romantic vocal; slightly over WBUR slop. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1251 LIBYA Libyan Jamahiriya Broadcasting, Tripoli, SEP 26 2226 - man in Arabic with low-quality telephone-like audio; strong. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1359 SPAIN Arganda, SEP 26 2227 - two men in Spanish, bassy audio; huge, demolishing CKBC and partly-nulled WLYN. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1413 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, SEP 26 2230 - excited Spanish talk and interspersed dramatic music; good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1422 ALGERIA (t) Algiers, SEP 27 0015 - Arabic-sounding music; in slop. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, SEP 26 2203 - // 9555 & 9870 with Arabic news having a slight reverberation on the audio; very good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1521 SPAIN SER, Castellon, SEP 27 0001 - // 1575 with fast-paced Spanish news mentioning several countries; good with WWKB phased. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1530 unID SEP 27 0010 - tone test approx. 1 kHz; probably VOA Sao Tome that has been noted with this previously. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1550 ALGERIA RASD Clandestine, Tindouf, SEP 26 2236 - // 7460 with rabble-rousing type speech, then a much calmer in-studio Arabic announcer; through phased WNTN daytimer. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN SER synchros, SEP 26 2241 - Spanish teletalk; good. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1584 CEUTA RadiOle, SEP 26 2240 - emotional Spanish ballad vocal and piano; excellent, over SER-Spain. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN Euskadi Irratia, Vitoria, SEP 26 2241 - Spanish vocal; over/under SER synchros. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN SER synchros, SEP 26 2241 - // 1575 with Spanish teletalk; evenly mixing with EI Vitoria. [MC*rw-MA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 555 ST. KITTS & NEVIS R. ZIZ, Basseterre, OCT 10 0012 - high energy soca; fair. [MC*H-NH]
- 600 CUBA R. Rebelde, CMKV, Urbano Noris, OCT 10 0011 - // 1180 with slow Spanish talk. [MC*H-NH]
- 640 GUADELOUPE (t) Pointe-a-Pitre, OCT 9 2305 - seemed like French Creole shouting; briefly over YVQO, CBN, & het from Spain-639. [MC*H-NH]
- 640 VENEZUELA Union R., YVQO, Puerto La Cruz, OCT 9 2308 - // 1090 with Union ID, Spanish news; suddenly strong & atop channel. [MC*H-NH]
- 650 COLOMBIA RCN Antena Dos, HJKH, Bogota, OCT 9 2357 - numerous Colombian advertisements; over mess. [MC*H-NH]
- 670 VENEZUELA R. Rumbos, YVLL, Caracas, OCT 9 2358 - excited "Rumbos!" ID; over others. [MC*H-NH]
- 690 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, OCT 9 2325 - // 6090 with preaching about suffering; mixed with CINF & Latin Americans. [MC*H-NH]
- 700 JAMAICA RJR, Montego Bay, OCT 9 2359 - Caribbean English talk by woman with phone numbers and local mentions; good, over jumble / growl. [MC*H-NH]
- 720 VENEZUELA R. Oriente, YVQE, Porlamar, OCT 10 0007 - talk "Escuche Radio Oriente" briefly popped up over CHTN. [MC*H-NH]
- 750 VENEZUELA RCR, YVKS, Caracas, SEP 27 0047 - Venezuelan news and sports talk; good. [MC*rw-MA]
+ OCT 9 2302 - RCR ID's, news; good. [MC*H-NH]
- 760 COLOMBIA RCN, HJAJ, Barranquilla, OCT 9 2329 - RCN ID, Spanish talk about US Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld; loud. [MC*H-NH]
- 770 COLOMBIA RCN, HJXX, Bogota, OCT 9 2355 - // 760 with Spanish news interview; over/under WABC. [MC*H-NH]
- 780 VENEZUELA R. Coro, YVMN, Coro, OCT 10 0006 - Coro jingle, salsa music; mixed with CFDR & WBBM. [MC*H-NH]
- 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS V. of Nevis, Bath Village, Nevis, SEP 27 0033 - pop dance music; fair. [MC*rw-MA] / [MC*H-NH]
+ OCT 9 2335 - Carib-EE ad for furniture store ".. something for every room in the house", phone number and mention of St. Martin, then soca music; good.

- 920.5 COLOMBIA (t) Emisora Fuentes, HJAA, Cartagena, SEP 27 0031 - probably this with het and bits of Spanish. Previously ID'ed on 920.18. [MC*rw-MA]
- 1000 COLOMBIA RCN, HJAO, Cartagena, OCT 9 2312 - non-stop talk, RCN mentions; over CKBW / Venezuela / Brazil. [MC*H-NH]
- 1090 VENEZUELA Union R., YVSZ, Caracas, OCT 9 2308 - // 640 with Spanish news about several countries, Union ID; fair to good. [MC*H-NH]
- 1160 BERMUDA VSB3, Hamilton, OCT 9 2316 - // 5975 with BBC news about Afghanistan; excellent over unID 1160.17 Latin American growler. [MC*H-NH]
- 1170 COLOMBIA CARACOL, HJNW, Cartagena, OCT 9 2318 - news with Bogota mentions; briefly over stew. [MC*H-NH]
- 1180 CUBA R. Rebelde, CMBT, Villa Maria, OCT 9 2346 - // 5025 with Spanish news about US military action in Afghanistan; loud & dominant, over Canaries-1179 het. [MC*H-NH]
- 1280 BERMUDA VSB2, Hamilton, OCT 9 2321 - country & western style religious vocal, preaching; over WEIM/WFAU/WADO. [MC*H-NH]
- 1660 PUERTO RICO WGIT, Canovanas-Moca, SEP 27 0005 - Puerto Rico mentions in Spanish chat; to good peak with NJ Spanish talker phased. Third station, in English, under: probably FL. [MC*rw-MA]

DX WORLDWIDE - II

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Hello Everyone, sorry for the long dry spell. I've been developing a log book called the Pacific-Asian Log, which lists about 3400 medium wave stations in Asia and Oceania (56 countries total). It turned out to be a long effort but I finally got it into presentable form and posted it on the web. Most of the die-hard TP DXers already know about it, but if you haven't seen it yet, you can download if for free from <http://www.qsl.net/n7ecj>.

Anyway, I've got a lot of information to cover, so here goes. All times are UTC unless noted.

TRANS ATLANTIC

AFGHANISTAN: Most MW stations are now reportedly silent as a result of the recent bombing, including Kabul on 657/1107 and Kandahar-864. The provincial station in Mazar-e-Sharif appears to still be on the air as of October 12 (various sources)

ARMENIA: Voice of Armenia (Hayastani Dzayn) schedule: 234 daily exc. Wed: 1730-1740 French, 1740-1750 German, 1750-1800 English. 864 daily: 0230-0300 Farsi, 1300-1330 Azeri, 1330-1345 Turkish, 1445-1515 Turkish. (Mauno Ritola, HC DX)

BOTSWANA: 909 The VOA Botswana Relay Station began operations in 1981, with a 50 kW MW transmitter located in the city of Selebi Phikwe. In 1994, the original 50 kW transmitter was turned over to Radio Botswana. The Botswana Relay Station currently operates from two sites near Selebi Phikwe. The MW site has one 600 kW transmitter (operated at 500 kW for regulatory reasons) which is fixed at 909 kHz The MW facility has a four tower directional array beaming to the south.

(<http://usembassy.state.gov/botswana/wwwhover.html>) IBB/VOA is planning for a 500 kW mediumwave transmitter, apparently in addition to the existing one. (via Arctic)

CYPRUS: IBB/VOA is planning for a new 600 kW MW transmitter site in Cyprus. The anticipated target operational date is January 15, 2002. (Web) - The proposed site is at Cape Greco (where RMC has its transmitter today). (Constantinides, BC-DX)

DJIBOUTI: IBB/VOA is planning for a new 600 kW mediumwave transmitter site in Djibouti. (VOA via Arctic)

ESTONIA: 1035 Radio Novaya Zhizn, religious stn noted evenings from September 15. (Alm/Ericson, Arctic) The relay of R.Novaya zhizhn (Magadan-Moscow) on 1035 kHz in Tartu is only a temporary arrangement for testing purposes. Tartu Pereraadio is the license owner for this frequency and is conducting the relay for testing a 50kW HARRIS transmitter which they have installed at their new transmitting center near Tartu. The antenna system

consists of two masts of 145 and ~100m, providing a hypercardoid pattern with a main beam towards Russia. Photos of the masts can be found on the web: www.geocities.com/computerbasicsmodesto/Estonia/2000Title.html. Next year, Pereraadio is expecting to install a 100 kW transmitter at the same site, the present 50kW transmitter will then be used as backup. Pereraadio will provide Russian language religious programmes on 1035 kHz around the clock, regular broadcasts are expected to start in about a month. Originally, the station was planning to use 612 kHz, but has changed to 1035 kHz in order to prevent interference with R.Baltic Waves in Vilnius, Lithuania on the same frequency. (Bernid Trutenau, MWDX e-mail group)

ETHIOPIA: 1080 Received a schedule from R Fana. They are active on 1080, 6210, 6940. Weekdays 0330-0430 Amharic, 0430-0530 Oromiffa, 0900-1000 Amharic, 1000-1100 Oromiffa, 1500-1700 Amharic, 1700-1900 Oromiffa. Weekends: 0330-0530 Oromiffa, 0530-0730 Amharic, 1200-1500 Oromiffa, 1500-1800 Amharic. Addr: Radio Fana, P.O.Box 30702, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. (Vasily Gulyaev, DX Signal May 4, BC-DX #519)

FRANCE: The Allouis LW transmitter on 162 kHz is now on its winter schedule. That is to say that it goes on half-power at 6 PM local time (1600 UTC) and back to 2 MW at 6 AM (0400 UTC). The change to and from the winter schedule will from now on be made with the equinoxes and not when Europe changes between standard time and DST. So the winter schedule is :

- 2 MW between 0400 and 1600 UTC, 1 MW between 1600 and 0400 UTC from the autumn equinox to the last weekend of October,
- 2 MW between 0500 and 1700 UTC, 1 MW between 1700 and 0500 UTC from the last weekend of October to the spring equinox.

The summer schedule is : - 2 MW between 0500 and 2000 UTC, 1 MW between 2000 and 0500 UTC from the spring equinox to the last weekend of March.

- 2 MW between 0400 and 1900 UTC, 1 MW between 1900 and 0400 UTC from the last weekend of March to the autumn equinox.

(Thierry Vignault, via Rglobe-L mailing-list via Remy Freiss/MWC)

GERMANY: 549 Deutschlandfunk, Thurnau-Tannfeld in Northern Bavaria, near the Czech and ex-GDR border. The two transmitters are Telefunken model S4002. 200 kW (i.e. both transmitters running as a pair) was in use until 1995 or 1996, when DLF decided to use only 100 kW. (Kai Ludwig, Arctic)

693 Mega-Radio director Horst Bork recently stated that Zehlendorf 693 will not go on air until late September due to delayed transmitter installation. Meanwhile, Mega-Radio has also live shows, namely one called "Szene Niedersachsen" from Hannover, carried 1600-1700 on all frequencies. (Michael Fuhr via Kai Ludwig, Arctic)

1323 A visit of the Wachenbrunn site by Gerhard Roleder brought some new information about the current [VoRussia relay] operation. Until 1800 now a slightly reduced power of 800 kW is in use, after 1800 the output is still just 150 kW as required by the ITUI Geneve schedule. But more interestingly there is now a regular beam switch: From s-on until 1500 now an azimuth of 310 degrees is in use, from 1500 until s-off still the usual 220 degra, which was previously in use exclusively. Monitoring observations fully confirm this beam switch, which requires a carrier break (about a half minute or so). (Kai Ludwig, Arctic)

ITALY: 1494 Radio Pane Burro Marmellata probably increased power or changed antenna, because now I can receive it with usable signal on 1494.25 kHz during daytime. I live about 70 km from the TX site. Until past week I could hear only a very very weak carrier with no audio, now it's S 2 and readable. Light music format, with many jingles and local advertisements. (Fabrizio Magrone via MWDX 10.09.2001)

KUWAIT: IBB/VOA is planning for a 500 kW mediumwave transmitter at the Kuwait Transmitting Station, apparently in addition to the existing 600 kW transmitter installed in May 1996. (Arctic)

MADAGASCAR: 630, 1394. Radio Télévision Publiques Malgache (ORTPM) indicates on their website, <takekaka.dts-mg>, that these frequencies are the only ones used. 1394 kHz (4 kW) is used between 0300-0500 UTC and 630 (2x75 kW) between 1500-1900 (Sat-2100) UTC. (Bengt Ericson, Arctic)

MADEIRA: 1485, Estação Rádio da Madeira has been off the air since 6 August 2000. The

licensing authority declared in a decision dated 5 April 2001 that it intends to revoke the station's licence as a station is not permitted to be off the air for more than two months (except in case of force majeure). <http://www.aacs.pt/bd/Deliberacoes/20010405e.htm> (Olle Alm, Arctic)

MOROCCO: IBB/VOA is planning for a 400 kW mediumwave transmitter at the Morocco Transmitting Station. (Arctic)

NETHERLANDS: 1224 Q The Beat Radio. Their website at <http://www.qthebeat.nl/> gives the address as: Postbus 3117, 2130 KC Hoofddorp. They are still broadcasting from the MV Communicator in Pampushaven in Almere on the Flevo polder. The Dutch government recently extended the licenses of the commercial stations until 2 September 2002 until a decision is reached on how to reallocate the frequencies. You can see some pictures of the station at <http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/scrapbook/html/communicator.html> (Andy Sennitt via HCDX 02.09.2001)

1395 Business Nieuws Radio was scheduled to be off from 19 Sept 1000 local time until 3 Oct 0600. This action was necessary to move the transmitter aerial from Montfoort to Trintelhaven in order to increase the range of the station. The reception in the north and east of the country should improve. (Herman Boel, Arctic, adapted from Radiowereld.nl)

POLAND: The broadcasting organisation Polskie Fale Srednie has received licenses to establish community radios in the following new towns:

531 (0.1) Wlodawa (Twoje Radio Wlodawa) - Lubelskie voivodship
963 (0.1) Kluczbork (Twoje Radio Kluczbork) - Opolskie voivodship
1062 (1) Pulawy (Twoje Radio Pulawy) - Lubelskie voivodship
1485 (0.1) Bilgoraj (Twoje Radio Bilgoraj) - Lubelskie voivodship
1602 (0.1) Ilza (Twoje Radio Ilza) - Mazowieckie voivodship

Fale Srednie is currently negotiating with these communities about the projects. Altogether the organisation has applied for more than 90 stations on MW. (Bernd Trutenau, MWDX e-mail group)

PORTUGAL: 1035 Rádio Comercial in Lisboa is the only 100 kW MW-transmitter. The rest are max. 10 kW. (WRTH via Bengt Ericson)

RUSSIA: 684 Sanktpeterburg: 0500-0800 Radiogazeta "Slovo" (Radionewspaper "Word")
Addr.: 197022 Sanktpeterburg, P.O. Box 122, Suvorov V.P. (Dmitry Kozlov, Sanktpeterburg, ("RUS-DX" #98-B))

873 Radio Rossi, Sanktpeterburg now here ex 801, which is silent (Alm, Arctic)

963 Radiochurch-Moscow" is the English name of the R Tserkov station from Moscow. They are a Christian radio and collaborate with all the Christian confessions. E-mail: linafalcon@mtu-net.ru (Information from the station via Björn Fransson, Arctic)

São Tomé: 1530 IBB/VOA is going to replace the two MW broadcast towers at the São Tomé Transmitting Station. The MW antenna system consists of a two tower array with towers that are approximately 290 feet in height. (Arctic)

TAJIKISTAN: According to a report on the website "hotline.kz" of 7 September 2001, a new 500 kW "broadcasting" transmitter was inaugurated in Tajikistan. It is reported to cover Tajikistan, and to reach Afghanistan, Uzbekistan and Iran. No frequency was mentioned, but it is likely to operate on MW or LW. As part of a modernisation programme, several new AM transmitters have been taken into service during recent months, but so far no frequencies are known. (Bernd Trutenau, MWDX e-mail group)

UKRAINE: 1278 Odessa: R. "Voice of Russia" - Russian World Service "Commonwealth" scheduled 1300-1900. ("RUS-DX" #98-C)

UNITED KINGDOM: Radio Authority Pocket Book 2001 is published The Radio Authority Pocket Book 2001 is published today (22 August.) This essential guide to Independent Radio in the UK lists:

* names, addresses, frequencies, air dates and licence expiry dates for all the Independent Radio stations within the UK, together with details of news providers and other useful contacts;

* colour maps;

* the Authority's future licensing plans for 2001/2002;

- * advice on how to get good radio reception;
- * details of whom to contact for comments and complaints;
- * new section listing new radio services available on digital multiplexes.

The new edition of the Pocket Book commemorates the tenth year anniversary of the Radio Authority. During this time the Authority has awarded a total of 256 analogue Independent Radio licences (including three national licences) and 28 digital multiplex licences.

The Radio Authority is responsible for licensing and regulating Independent Radio in accordance with the statutory requirements of the Broadcasting Acts 1990 and 1996. It plans frequencies, awards licences, regulates programming and advertising, and plays an active role in the discussion and formulation of policies which affect the Independent Radio industry and its listeners. (via Steve Whitt, MWC)

Art Bell, the top-rated overnight presenter from the U.S., is hitting London's airwaves for the first time this weekend. He'll be on LBC 1152AM in the early hours of Sunday morning, from 1am-5am. (via Paul Bowery, MWC)

VATICAN: 1530 is now running with reduced power. Certain transmissions are instead relayed by RMC 1467. (Various sources)

VATICAN [non]. Indeed Radio Vatican was on 1467 tonight, booming in until 1820 with Polish, followed by German. 1530 is still on air but evidently only with modest power anymore; Romania clearly dominated the frequency. Also 1611 is still in use but was rather weak tonight, hardly sufficient to bring audio through the local noise. I wonder how Radio Vatican feeds audio to RMC because 1467 had a heavy delay of not less than two seconds compared with 5883 (Kai Ludwig, Sept 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

YUGOSLAVIA: 684 The official power of Beograd is now 100 kW. (WRTH via Bengt Ericson)

TRANS PACIFIC

ALASKA: KOTZ-720's tower was hit by an airplane and destroyed on August 13. The state has allocated \$90,000 in emergency funds to replace it ASAP. (Alaska State Governor's office press release) (*I would assume they're back on the air with a temporary antenna. bp*)

AUSTRALIA: Laugh Radio, which had been broadcasting on 1503 AM across Melbourne, has gone off air. Laugh Radio was a 24 hr a day, 7 day a week comedy radio station. Its signal strength was poor, and deteriorated even further over the weekend. This led to a poor listener base, and hence to poor revenue. The station is not scheduled to return anytime before the Broadcasting Authority makes its fulltime license allocations. (aus.radio.broadcast newsgroup via Richard Jary, ARDXC)

According to its web site, 4EB-1053 in Brisbane will move to FM in December (bp)

CAMBODIA: It is expected that in the near future the MW band will be opened up to private organizations with powers of up to 50 kW. The FEBC is planning for a 50 kW transmitter in Phnom Penh and another MW transmitter at Stung Treng (FEBC via Arctic)

CHINA: Zhejiang PBS: 810 kHz (100 kW) News Channel Radio Zhejiang; 1071 kHz (10 kW), Radio Zhejiang International Service (bilingual English/Chinese radio); 1530 kHz (50 kW) Sound of Health, Radio Zhejiang; Address: Ying Weilin, Radio Zhejiang, International Department, 111 Moganshan Road, Hangzhou 310005, P R China, e-mail: radiozjy@163.com The station is a state-owned radio of provincial level on six channels. (Information from the station via Björn Fransson/Arctic)

666 Haixia zhi Sheng, noted here ex 846 on July 23 at 1230. (Gima)

900 Zhoushan Literature BS, June 29, 0300 s/off. (Gima)

954 Kangzhou PBS. July 9, schedule 2100-1615. (Gima)

1125 Changjiang Economic BS. July 17, 1640 s/off. (Gima)

1250v Anyang Economic BS. July 3, -1230-1400-. (Gima)

1517.4 Henan PBS. July 24, 1600 s/off. Via Pingdingshan? (Gima)

(Tatsuo Gima in ABI Monthly Report, August issue, via Y. Kato, via Arctic)

693 Sha'anxi PBS Satellite Broadcast: June 20, 1710 s/off ID: Sha'anxi renmin guangbo diantai, weixing guangbo, zhongbo 693 qianhe, diaopin 106.6 zhaohe. Sha'anxi Satellite Radio, 693 AM, 106.6 FM". (T. Gima in ABI via Y. Kato)

954 Voice of the Golden Bridge, Sichuan, has this ID "Sichuan Renmin Guangbo Diantai, Jin Qiao zhi Sheng" (picked up on SW 6060 by Alan Davies)

999 CNR-1 noted signing on at 2000 under co-channel Bangkok. (Alan Davies, 21.7.2001)

1197 Quanzhou Guangbo Dianshi 2 Tai: June 11, 1730 ID "Diaopin (90.4) zhaohu, zhongbo 1197 qianhe, Quanzhou guangbo diantai er tai. Quanzhou the Second ?? Station". (T. Gima in ABI via Y. Kato)

1278 Xiamen PBS News Station: May 30, 1500 s/off. (T. Gima in ABI via Y. Kato)
1485 "I'm hearing a reasonably strong CNR-1 signal on 1485 kHz during local evenings here. It's on past 1700, so presumably signs off at 1735 along with the network. The late times suggest it's a 'real' CNR-1 tx rather than a relay by a local station. Nothing is listed on this frequency for CNR-1, and I've no idea about the location but most likely SW China I would think. Also noted signing on very clearly at 2000. (Alan Davies in Chiang Rai, THA, 18.7.2001)

1521 Xiaguang Music Station: June 30, 1642 ID. Seems to be a jammer for CBS. (T. Gima in ABI via Y. Kato)

INDONESIA: 1332 RRI Pro-3 Jakarta has been on 1334v during the past couple of weeks, but it's a good signal around here at night. (Alan Davies) (This also happened a few years ago, when I heard them on 1334v at Abisko. /OA) (via Olle Alm, Arctic)

TAIWAN: 1458 UNID station heard here -1000-2100-. Only nonstop music (mainly Japanese old pops). (Tatsuo Gima in ABI Monthly Report, August issue, via Y. Kato)

THAILAND: 1080 Wor. Por. Tho. 16 Yala is now carrying Witthayu pheua Mutsalim (Islamic programming as Bangkok 999 kHz) and is apparently on air 24h. This makes a lot of sense as Yala is in the middle of a very Islamic part of Thailand. (Alan Davies)

I have more stuff on hand, but I'll wait until next time to keep the column to 5 pages. See you then. bp.

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