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\*\*\*\* DX INFORMATION \*\*\*\*  
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Owing to the ongoing and fluid nature of the COVID-19 situation globally, announced activities might be cut short, postponed, cancelled or even extended at any time and without notice.

- 4W - The Lagunaria DX Group's DXpedition to Timor Leste (11 October-8 November) [425DXN 1505] has been postponed until sometime in 2021. "The current situation based on the Corona pandemic makes it impossible to plan anything later in this year", the team says. "The uncertainty of travel safety, the not predictable impact on the companies we have to rely on and the current restrictions that prevent a solid preparation, forced us to take this step. We hope that we can see clearer by the end of this year what will be in 2021". Updates will be posted to <http://timor-leste-dx.de/>.
- EU - Commemorating the end of World War II, special callsigns EV75M, EV75F, EV75K, EV75P, EV75GA, EV75GK and EV75PP are expected to be active from Belarus on 2-9 May. They will participate in the Memorial Pobeda-75 (see below). QSL via operator's instructions.
- G - This year the Poldhu Amateur Radio Club (GB2GM) will be unable to operate from the Marconi Centre on 25 April. Another special call-sign, however, will celebrate Marconi's birthday: GB1GM, operated by Cliff, G3UYN (Chairman of PARC). "No QSL", he says.
- G - Even though this year's International Marconi Day has been cancelled, three IMD stations will be active from England on 25 April to celebrate the birth of Guglielmo Marconi: GB5IMD (on 2m FM), GB6IMD (on the HF bands SSB) and GB8IMD (on the HF bands FT8). QSLs via eQSL only, but certificates will be available: see "2020 Innovation Awards" on the Quantum Amateur Radio & Technology Society's website (<https://quantumtech.club/>).
- HL - Special callsigns HL40GDM and D73M will be active on 1-31 May to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Gwangju Uprising (18-27 May 1980), aka the Gwangju Democratization Movement. QSLs via HL4CCM, direct or bureau. In 2011, the Archives for the May 18th Democratic Uprising against Military Regime were inscribed to the UNESCO Memory of the World Register.
- JA\_ant - The 61st Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition's overwintering team at the Syowa Station on East Ongul Island (AN-015), Antarctica includes Taka, JA1AGS and Hiro, JH7JCX. In their spare time they are QRV from the 8J1RL club station, with activity on 40, 30, 20, 17 and 15 metres mainly FT8. They will be there until January 2021. QSL via the bureau to 8J1RL, or direct to JG2MLI.
- JA - Special callsign 8J17CALL will be activated from 23 April until 22 April 2021 by the 7-CALL Amateur Radio Club (JS1YEY), a Tokyo based club station that gathers operators with callsigns in the 7K-7N

prefix series - "a symbol of the golden age of Japanese amateur radio history". The first 7K call (7K1AAA) was issued on 23 April 1990, the last 7-Call was issued on 20 June 2003 (7N4XZZ). Over the years some 95% of the 7K-7N stations lost interest in the hobby, and nowadays the 7-Callers are only 17,583 out of the 402,180 Japanese amateurs. See <https://7-call.com/en> for more information. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau, eQSL and LoTW.

- LZ - Special callsign LZ50BFRA will be active from 26 April until the end of the year to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs. Founded on 26 April 1970, BFRA is the national IARU member society. QSL via LZ1BJ (bureau).
- OE - 4U2STAYHOME is the special callsign for the VIC Amateur Radio Contest DX Club (4U1A, <http://www.cqdx.ru/4u1a/>) to join the Stay Home /Stay Safe campaign. This activity counts for Austria for DXCC, and for the Vienna International Centre for the CQ DX Marathon. QSL via UA3DX, direct or bureau.
- OE - Jo, OE4VIE will be active as OE50MHZ (WWL JN87dc) from 1 May to 30 June. He will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 6 metres, to mark the 30th anniversary of the allocation - initially subject to severe restrictions - of the Magic Band to Austrian amateurs. QSL via LoTW and eQSL; paper QSLs will be sent automatically via the bureau.
- UA - A very large number of Russian stations using special prefix RP75 (where the letter P stands for 'pobeda', i.e. 'victory') will be active on 2-9 May to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. See <https://pobeda.srr.ru/> for more information, including the list of participating stations and their QSL routes.
- VE - Canadian licensees are allowed to use "special event" prefixes from 20 April to 20 June as a reminder to stay at home and help contain and limit the spread of COVID-19: VA stations can use CF, VE stations can use CG, VO stations can use CH, and VY stations can use CI.
- W - The Great South Bay Amateur Radio Club of Babylon, NY is looking for amateurs in each of New York State's 62 counties to operate their home stations under the special event callsign K2H (H for Heroes) between 1 and 31 May. All operators will be signing K2H/ along with the county abbreviation as used in the New York QSO Party (e.g. K2H/SUF for Suffolk, K2H/NAS for Nassau, etc). This special operation is intended to express gratitude to the men and women on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic. "Confirmation certificates" will be available, but QSL cards will not be issued. See <https://www.qrz.com/db/k2h> for more information.

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COVID-19 PANDEMIC ---> Travel restrictions, self-isolation and social distancing requirements as well as general health and safety issues arising from the coronavirus pandemic are affecting quite a number of operations and amateur radio events, which have been postponed or cancelled:

|                      |                     |              |                         |
|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Z68AN                | Kosovo              | 27/04-30/04  | cancelled               |
| Z68EC                | Kosovo              | 27/04-30/04  | cancelled               |
| ZV1C                 | SA-029              | 01/05-03/05  | postponed later in 2020 |
| 8Q7KB                | Maldives            | 04/05-12/05  | cancelled               |
| TM5IB                | EU-105              | 16/05-23/05  | cancelled               |
| FM/OQ3R              | Martinique          | 25/05-06/06  | cancelled               |
| T03F                 | Martinique          | CQ WW WPX CW | cancelled               |
| Museum Ships Weekend |                     | 06/06-07/06  | cancelled               |
| VP2V/W9DR            | British Virgin Isls | 17/06-24/06  | cancelled               |
| ZA/HG2DX             | Albania             | 21/06-03/07  | cancelled               |
| 4W                   | Timor Leste         | 11/10-08/11  | postponed to 2021       |

JAPAN: EXPANDED ACCESS TO 160 AND 80 METRES ---> As of 21 April, Japanese amateurs have gained new privileges on 160 and 80m. The current band plan, as summarized on the ARRL's website, is as follow:

#### 160 METRES

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|                   |                                                  |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 1800-1810 kHz     | All modes (new assignment)                       |
| 1810-1825 kHz     | CW only                                          |
| 1825-1875 kHz     | All modes (as secondary service, new assignment) |
| 1907.5-1912.5 kHz | CW and data (F1B, F1D, G1B, G1D)                 |

#### 80 METRES

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|---------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3500-3520 kHz | CW only                                                                        |
| 3520-3535 kHz | CW and data (F1B, F1D, G1B, G1D)                                               |
| 3535-3575 kHz | CW, phone, image; data only permitted for making contacts with non-JA amateurs |
| 3575-3580 kHz | All modes (as secondary service, new assignment)                               |
| 3599-3612 kHz | CW, phone, image, data                                                         |
| 3662-3680 kHz | All modes (as secondary service, new assignment)                               |
| 3680-3687 kHz | CW, phone, image                                                               |
| 3702-3716 kHz | CW, phone, image                                                               |
| 3745-3770 kHz | CW, phone, image                                                               |
| 3791-3805 kHz | CW, phone, image                                                               |

QSL EY8MM ---> Reportedly Ted, K1BV has been hospitalized since September and is unable to process QSL requests. Please refrain from mailing cards to him until further notice, and do not mail cards to EY8MM's home address. Nodir uploads his log to LoTW on a regular basis.

QSL H33K ---> The QSL route for the 2-13 March operation has changed "due to problems with the postal service in Panama during the Covid-19 lockdown". The new QSL manager is W4JS (direct only). The logs have been already uploaded to LoTW and Club Log; the QSL cards are expected to be available after 30 April.

STAY AT HOME ---> Other special callsign joining the Stay Home campaign and/or showing support for health care professionals and other key workers

during the COVID-19 pandemic include:

| Callsign       | DXCC        | QSL                         |                               |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| -----          |             |                             |                               |
| 3G2HOME        | Chile       | LoTW only                   |                               |
| 4U2STAYHOME    | Austria     | UA3DX                       |                               |
| 4X2BESAFE      | Israel      | 4Z1TL                       | 26/04-12/08                   |
| 5W19STAYS SAFE | Samoa       | LoTW only                   |                               |
| CB3STAYHOME    | Chile       | LoTW, or via EA5GL (direct) |                               |
| GB0CCW         | England     | LoTW, or via M0LXD          |                               |
| GB0EDH         | England     |                             | operated by G0NQZ 21/04-18/05 |
| GB0KYD         | England     |                             | operated by M0OWS 18/04-16/05 |
| GB1HSC         | No. Ireland | GI7SBF                      | 20/04-17/05                   |
| GB2SH          | England     | eQSL only                   | 20/04-17/05                   |
| GB4KW          | England     | eQSL only                   |                               |
| GB5KW          | England     |                             | operated by M0TXX             |
| GB9KW          | England     | eQSL only                   |                               |
| HA0HOME        | Hungary     | HA0DX                       |                               |
| HA0STAY        | Hungary     | HA0DX                       |                               |
| HA127STAY      | Hungary     | HA9BA                       |                               |
| I06STAY        | Italy       | IK6QON (direct)             | 22/04-20/07                   |
| K2H            | USA         | -                           | 01/05-31/05                   |
| OD50SH         | Lebanon     | IZ8CLM                      |                               |
| OD5STAYHOME    | Lebanon     | IZ8CLM                      |                               |
| OE1STAYHOME    | Austria     | LoTW and eQSL only          |                               |
| OR4LIFE        | Belgium     | ON6YX                       |                               |
| OR7LIFE        | Belgium     | ON40B                       |                               |
| PE6STAYHOME    | Netherlands |                             | operated by PE1EVX            |
| TC3STAYHOME    | Turkey      | TA3X                        |                               |
| XR3STAYHOME    | Chile       | eQSL only                   |                               |

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\*\*\*\*\* QSL ROUTES \*\*\*\*\*

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|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|---------------|---------|
| CALL        | MANAGER | CALL        | MANAGER | CALL          | MANAGER |
| =====       |         |             |         |               |         |
| 3Z50DVP     | SP6DVP  | C06ABP      | RW6HS   | OE25TWA       | OE3TWA  |
| 4J0STAYHOME | DC9RI   | CS5MAR      | CT1REP  | OE25XGM       | OE5XGM  |
| 4K0STAYHOME | DC9RI   | CT1STAYHOME | CT1EQQ  | OE25XKJ       | OE7XKJ  |
| 4L8A        | M00X0   | D2EB        | IZ3ETU  | OE25YSC       | OE3YSC  |
| 40/E73A     | 9A2AA   | DQ750KL     | DL5KVV  | OL1941FP      | OK2CME  |
| 4U1A        | UA3DX   | DU9CA       | IK2DUW  | OL725PLZ      | OK1DRQ  |
| 4U1UN       | HB9BOU  | DX0STAYHOME | DX1PAR  | ON4HER0ES     | ON5UR   |
| 4X0T        | 4Z5FI   | DZ1Z        | DV1YAI  | ON4STAYSTRONG | ON4RCN  |
| 4X9A        | 4Z40Q   | E76C        | E77E    | 007STAYHOME   | ON7SS   |
| 5B4AHL      | M0URX   | ED5URR      | EA5URR  | OP2STAYHOME   | ON6NB   |
| 5P0WARD     | OZ1ACB  | EG5DMR      | EA5RKB  | OP6STAYHOME   | ON4IPR  |
| 5P0WHD      | OZ1ACB  | EK1915KE    | EK1KE   | OQ1HOPE       | ON4ON   |
| 7X2GK       | IK2DUW  | EK1915MG    | EK6MG   | OQ4ANGELS     | ON4CHT  |

|           |        |           |        |               |            |
|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|---------------|------------|
| 7X5JF     | DJ8QP  | EK1915RR  | EK1RR  | OR20STAYHOME  | ON4RSX     |
| 8P2K      | KU9C   | EK1915SI  | EK6SI  | OR4STAYHOME   | ON3AR [d]  |
| 8P6DR     | G3RWL  | EL2DT     | EL2FM  | OR4STAYHOME   | ON4CP [b]  |
| 9K2WARD   | 9K2RA  | EP2C      | EA5GL  | OR8STAYHOME   | ON4ATH     |
| 9M2TO     | JA0DMV | EU5C      | EW1I   | OR95WARD      | ON4CRD [b] |
| 9N1AA     | N4GNR  | FY4VA     | DL7BC  | OR95WARD      | ON4LBI [d] |
| A35JP     | JA0RQV | GB4ARD    | M0KPW  | OT20LIFE      | ON5AV      |
| A60WARD/1 | A61BK  | GB4SAH    | G4XEX  | OT4H0PE       | ON6SI      |
| A60WARD/4 | A61BK  | H33K      | W4JS   | OT6STAYS SAFE | ON5YL      |
| A60WARD/5 | A92AA  | HB9WARD   | HB90CR | OT7STAYS SAFE | ON6MS      |
| A91WARD   | A92AA  | HC1HC     | NE8Z   | OX80HM        | OZ1ACB     |
| AM1WARD   | EA4URE | HC7AE     | EA5GL  | OZ80HM        | OZ1ACB     |
| AM2WARD   | EA4URE | HF1J      | SP1NEN | OZ80QUEEN     | OZ1ACB     |
| AM3WARD   | EA4URE | HG0WFF    | HA0HW  | PC6STAYHOME   | PC4AD      |
| AM4WARD   | EA4URE | HH2/N3BNA | KA2AEV | PH70PH        | PA7HPH     |
| AM5WARD   | EA4URE | HI3MPC    | W2CCW  | PU0FDN        | PY7RP      |
| AM6WARD   | EA4URE | HI8JSG    | RW6HS  | RG61PP        | RZ3LC      |
| AM795DX   | EB7DX  | HI8K      | W2CCW  | S50WAAD       | S59DKS     |
| AM7WARD   | EA4URE | HP1XT     | KU9C   | S79VU         | EA5GL      |
| AM8WARD   | EA4URE | HZ1WARD   | HZ1SAR | SK9WARD       | SM6JSM     |
| AM95WARD  | EA4URE | II5CNPP   | IZ5RHU | SM7/OZ1AA     | OZ1ACB     |
| AM9WARD   | EA4URE | II5LDV    | IQ5LV  | SN0KURP       | SP5KVW     |
| AN595AHA  | EC5AHA | I03RT     | IQ3BM  | SN0MD         | SP1PNW     |
| A0295EZ   | EA2EZ  | IQ8BI     | IZ8CLM | SP0WL         | SP5ZIP     |
| A0395AKA  | EA3AKA | J68HZ     | K9HZ   | TF3WARD       | TF3MH      |
| A0395NN   | EA3NN  | J73WA     | ND3R   | TI2VLM        | EA5ZD      |
| A0395PP   | EA3PP  | JY5HX     | E73Y   | TI5/N3KS      | W4FS       |
| A0495S    | EA4S   | KH2L      | W3HNC  | TM20PAQ       | F4HZS      |
| A0495SE   | EA4SE  | KL7J      | N3SL   | TM35UFT       | F6EEQ      |
| A0595BY   | EA5BY  | KP3H      | NP3LT  | TM50IS/p      | F5KRH      |
| A0595HRT  | EA5HRT | OD5KU     | EB7DX  | TM95WARD      | F6BEE      |
| A0595KA   | EA5KA  | OD5TX     | W4JS   | TT8SN         | DL9USA     |
| A0595XA   | EA5XA  | OE20M     | OE1WHC | TZ4AM         | W0SA       |
| A0795IYF  | EA7IYF | OE25BKC   | OE3BKC | UK8FF         | W3HNC      |
| A0795TV   | EA7TV  | OE25DMT   | OE7DMT | VP2ETE        | W3HNC      |
| BV50CYMC  | BV4VR  | OE25IGP   | OE2IGP | XU7AMG        | BD4HF      |
| C91CCY    | K3IRV  | OE25JWD   | OE6JWD | ZS6S          | EA5GL      |
| CM8BD     | RW6HS  | OE25LCR   | OE3LCR | ZT4T          | EA5GL      |
| CN20SH    | RW6HS  | OE25PEN   | OE5PEN | ZW5STAYHOME   | PY5EG      |

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