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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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 Direttore Responsabile I2VGW

>>> P5/KA2HTV * NORTH KOREA <<<

Bruce, KK5DO (<http://www.amsatnet.com/p5a.html>) reports that Dave, KA2HTV will operate as P5/KA2HTV from North Korea on 9-23 August. Online logs will not be available during the operation, as Dave uses paper logs and the data will have to be entered into a computer when he gets back. QSL via KK5DO (Bruce Paige, P.O. Box 310, Alief, TX 77411-0310, USA). "Please limit your contacts to one", Bruce says. "Many hams were not able to work Ed, P5/4L4FN. Please allow those that did not get P5 before a chance to work P5 now. If you are in the P5/4L4FN log, do not send for a QSL card from this operation".

- 3C0 - Elmo, EA5BYP and Vicente, EA5YN are going to return to Annobon Island (AF-039). They plan to operate "as soon as possible" on 160-10 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. The licence has been issued; callsign, QSL route and other details will be announced in due course. Their web page is under construction on <http://www.tabarca.es.mn> [TNX EA5BYP]
- 5B - Alan, 5B4AHJ reports he will participate in the IOTA Contest as P3J from Cyprus (AS-004). Look for him on CW and SSB. QSL via 5B4AHJ.
- 7Q - Once again Ely, IN3VZE he will be active holiday style as 7Q7CE from Malawi from 28 August to 16 September. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IN3VZE]
- 8Q - Carlos/EA1DGZ, Oscar/EC1KW, Roberto/EA1DBC, Joaquin/EA1AAW and Fernando/EA1CNF will operate as 8Q7EA from the Maldives (AS-013) for the CQ WW DX SSB Contest in late October. QSL via EC1KW. [TNX EA1CNF]
- 9A - Lada, OK1LO will operate on 10-80 metres as 9A5LO/P from Pasman Island (EU-170) on 5-15 August. [TNX The Daily DX]
- 9A - Tommy, IZ7ECL will operate as 9A/IZ7ECL/P from Croatia on 14-26 August. He plans to be active on 20 and 40 metres from a few islands in the EU-016 IOTA groups: Daksa (IOCA CI-165, ARLHS CRO-037 and CLH-017 for the Croatian Lighthouses Award), Grebeni (CI-173, CRO-054, CLH-036), Kolocep (CI-038, CRO-031, CLH-010) and Sipan (CI-122, CRO-173, CLH-167). QSL via bureau to home call. [TNX IZ7ECL]
- 9K - Abdallah, 9K2GS reports that the 9K2F activity from Faylakah (AS-118) [425DXN 727] has been cancelled owing to transportation problems. [TNX KB5GL]
- A5 - Harvey, ON5SY will operate as A52SY from Bhutan on 3-10 October. He plans to concentrate operations during European evenings and the weekend. QSL via ON4ON, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4ON]
- BY - Steve, BA5TT reports he will operate as BA5TT/5 from Pingtan Island

- (AS-138) from 29 July to 1 August, IOTA Contest included. QSL via home call.
- C6 - Pete, W2GJ and Steve, AA4V have cancelled their planned IOTA Contest operation from Crooked Island (NA-113) [425DXN 735]. However, they will participate in the contest as AA4V from NA-110. [TNX The Daily DX]
 - CE - Julio, CA8VJG will be active on 10 and 40 metres SSB from Wellington Island (SA-032) until 3 August. He plans to operate in the IOTA Contest, but he is not experienced in managing pile-up, so please be patient with him. QSL via CA8VJG. [TNX CE6TBN]
 - CN - Special call 5D6MC will be aired on all bands and modes by the Association Royale des Radioamateurs du Maroc (ARRAM) on 30-31 July to celebrate the annual Fete du Trone, commemorating Mohammed VI's accession to the throne in 1999. QSL via EA7FTR. [TNX CN8NK]
 - CO - Juan Carlos, C08TW reports he will participate in the IOTA Contest from Cuba (NA-015) as either a CW or a mixed mode entrant. QSL via IZ8CCW; logs will be available at <http://www.qsl.net/co8tw/>
 - CT - Nine operators from Portugal and Spain (namely CT1APE, CT1CJJ, CT1EEB, CT1FFU, CT1ILT, CT2GLO, EA1CA, EA1DKV and EA4ST) will be active (on all bands and modes, with an emphasis on CW) Insua Island (EU-150) on 29-31 July, including an entry in the IOTA Contest as CQ2I. QSL CQ2I via CT1ILT; QSLs for contacts made with the individual operators outside the contest should go via home calls. Logs will be uploaded to LOTW. A web page will be available at <http://cfiem.hopto.org/ct1eeb> [TNX CT1EEB]
 - CX - The Centro Radioaficionados de Rocha (CX1TA) will participate in the International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend (20-21 August) from the Lighthouse at Cabo Polonio (ARLHS URU-005). QSL via CX1TA (P.O. Box 29, 27000 Rocha, Uruguay). [TNX CX2TG]
 - CY0 - The CY0AA operators [425DXN 727] have been stuck in Halifax for a few days now, as fog and rain are preventing them from reaching Sable Island. The latest information is that they had a meeting with their pilot at 15 local time on Friday (29 July); if the weather clears out, they will be able to reach the island.
 - EA - The Union de Radioaficionados de Santander and the Radio Club Montane will participate in the IOTA Contest as ED1URS from Isla de Mouro (EU-142, DIE N-016). QSL via bureau to EA1URS. [TNX EA1CNF and EA4AAA]
 - EA6 - EA6/DK1RF will operate RTTY and PSK31 from the Balearic Islands (EU-004) on 1-13 August. QSL via the bureau. [TNX DL2VFR]
 - EX - Mikhail, UN8GC will be active as EX7MW from the shore of Lake Issyk-Kul Lake in eastern Kyrgyzstan from 30 July to 5 August. He plans to operate CW (3510, 7015, 10105, 14025, 18070, 21025, 28010 and 50110 KHz) and SSB (3700, 7070, 14180, 21200, 28500 and 50110 KHz), but he will have also digital modes capability. QSL via UN8GC. [TNX NG3K]
 - FK - Kaz/JA2BDR, Jun/JA2EWE and Ken/JA2KRE will be active as FK/homecall from Noumea, New Caledonia (OC-032) between 19 and 24 August. They plan to operate SSB and CW (bo RTTY) on 80-10 metres with an amplifier, a 2el beam for 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres and wire verticals for 80, 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or through the JARL bureau (for one year only). [TNX JA1ELY]
 - FR - The Association Reunionnaise des Radioamateurs will participate in

the IOTA Contest as T00R from northern Reunion Island (AF-016). The operators will be Bruno/FR1EU, Yvon/FR1GZ, Dominique/FR1HZ, Jerome/FR1JB, Roland/FR5AB, Jean-Marc/FR5AO, Alain/FR5CU, Erik/FR5DX, Patrick/FR5FC, Luc/FR5IZ and Raymond/FR5MV; they will operate SSB and CW. QSL via FR1GZ. [TNX FR1GZ]

- GM - Six members of the Scottish-Russian ARS and West of Scotland ARS (namely Jurij/MM0DFV, John/GM0WRR, Alan/GM4TOQ, Victor/GM0SDV, Ross/GM7WED and David/MM3IEB) will participate in the IOTA Contest as GM2Z (CW) and GM4AGG/p (SSB) from the Isle of Mull (EU-008). QSL GM2Z via MM0DFV (direct or bureau), QSL GM4AGG/p direct or bureau. [TNX MM0DFV]
- GM - Bob/GM0DEQ, Robbie/GM0SEI and Jennifer/MM0JJV will participate in the IOTA Contest as GM5C from Great Cumbrae (EU-123). QSL via GM0SEI. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]
- GW - Glyn, GW0ANA reports he will participate in the IOTA Contest as GW8K from Flatholm Island (EU-124), After the contest he will be using GB5FI. QSL via GW0ANA.
- HB0 - The Eindhoven Student Radioamateur Club (ESRAC) will be active from Sareiser Joch (JN47TC), Liechtenstein on 4-16 August. They will operate as be HB0/PA6TUE (QSL via PI4TUE) and HB0/homecall on 160m-3cm, with an emphasis on the low bands, 6 metres and digital modes (RTTY, PSK31, SSTV, JT6M). [TNX PA5MW]
- HL - DS3GSK, DS3KLT, DS3KLX, DS3KRC, DS1QQA and HL3EQG will participate in the IOTA Contest as D70MA/2 (CW and SSB) from Anmyon Island (AS-080). They may also operate as homecall/2. QSL via HL3EQG. [TNX HL2EJT]
- HL - HL2EJT (ex HL1EJT), HL10YF, DS4NYE, HL1VAU, DS1KOQ and DS1NMA will participate in the IOTA Contest as D70LW/2 (CW and SSB) from Yonghung Island (AS-105). They may also operate as homecall/2. QSL via HL10YF. [TNX HL2EJT]
- HS - E20EHQ, E22BH and others will operate on 40, 20 and 15 metres as E20EHQ/7 on 10-15 August from the art camp organized by the Art for All Foundation in Thailand's Petchaburi province. The Art for All project brings together children with and without disabilities through integrated programmes of visual, performing, and literary arts. QSL via E20EHQ. [TNX E20EHQ]
- I - Walter, IN3XUG will operate (mainly on 20 and 40 metres SSB) as ID9/IN3XUG from Filicudi Island (EU-017, IIA ME-003) until 4 August. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX IN3XUG]
- I - Lorenzo, IZ0BVU is active on 6 metres and the HF bands as IB0/IZ0BVU from Ventotene (EU-045, IIA LT-011) until mid-August. He plans to participate in the IOTA Contest. [TNX IZ0BVU]
- I - Look for Michele, IF9ZWA to be active during the IOTA Contest on 15, 20 and 40 metres. He operates from Marettimo Island (EU-054, IIA TP-010). [TNX IF9ZWA]
- I - IK2SND, IK3VIA and IN3QBR will participate in the IOTA Contest as IL3U from Lazzaretto Nuovo (EU-131, IIA VE-038). QSL direct to IK2SND or bureau to AA4NN. [TNX IN3QBR]
- I - Alfredo/IK7JWX, Andrea/IK7YTT, Gilberto/IK7LMX, Giancarlo/IK7QMJ, Michele/IK7FPX, Marco/IZ7CDE and CW operators Carlo/IK6CAC and Enzo/I7PXV will participate in the IOTA Contest as IR7T/p from Isola Grande di Porto Cesareo (EU-091, IIA LE-002). QSL via IK7JWX, direct or bureau. [TNX IK7JWX]

- I - Filippo, I4TDK reports he will operate as IB0/I4TDK from Ponza Island (EU-045, IIA LT-001) on 9-18 August. QSL via bureau. [TNX I4TDK]
- I - Special station IY6GM will be active on 10-40 metres CW and SSB from Monte Cappuccini (WAIL MA-003, ARLHS ITA-104) on 12-14 August. The activity will celebrate the 101st anniversary of the experiments carried out by Guglielmo Marconi from that place. QSL via IZ6CRK, direct (c/o Sezione ARI di Ancona, P.O. Box 122, 60100 Ancona - AN, Italy) or bureau. [TNX IZ6FUQ]
- I - Andrea, IZ0EHO will operate as ID9/IZ0EHO on 6 metres and the HF bands SSB and digital modes from Lipari Island (EU-017, IIA ME-001) on 7-18 September. [TNX IZ0EHO]
- JA - Yuki, JI6KVR reports that the following will participate in the IOTA Contest from AS-117:
 - JA4FHE/4 Yashiro Island (JIJA AS-117-118), Yamaguchi prefecture
 - JA4GXS/4 Yashiro Island (JIJA AS-117-118), Yamaguchi prefecture
 - JF4WUV/4 Kakui Island (JIJA AS-117-067), Okayama prefecture
 - JL4W00/4 Kakui Island (JIJA AS-117-067), Okayama prefecture
 - JR4QUV/4 Ominase Island (JIJA AS-117-New), Yamaguchi prefecture
 QSL via home calls, direct or bureau.
- KL - Bill, K4XS will be working on Attu Island (NA-064) for two weeks starting on 28 July and will operate only CW as K4XS/KL7. QSL via home call, direct only. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- KL - Alex, LZ4AX will be active as KL7/WF9A from Barrow and Atkasuk, Alaska until 10 August. He operates mostly CW on 80-6 metres. QSL via LZ4AX, direct or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to lz4ax@yahoo.com). [TNX LZ4AX]
- LA - Yogi, DB5YB reports he will operate as LA/DB5YB on 10-40 metres from Flekkeroy (EU-061) from 31 July to 12 August.
- LU - Sylvester/DH4PB, Al/LU1DZ, Hector/LU6U0 and Fernando/LW2DX will operate on all bands mainly CW from two rare provinces of Argentina in August. Look for LU/DH4PB/S, LU1DZ/S, LU6U0/S and LW2DX/S on 4-10 August from La Roja and for LU/DH4PB/R, LU1DZ/R, LU6U0/R and LW2DX/R on 10-15 August from Catamarca. QSL LU1DZ/S and LU1DZ/R via EA3RE, others via home calls. [TNX LU6EF and LW2DX]
- LU - Fourteen operators plan to be active as L95WI from Isla La Escondida (Chubut Province North group, SA-NEW) on 20-26 October. They plan to have four stations and to operate on 80-10 metres CW, SSB and digital modes. QSL via LU3CT. [TNX LU3CT and VA3RJ]
- OH - Vincenzo, IZ0FKE reports he will operate as OH1/IZ0FKE from Parainen Pargas (EU-096) on 8-13 August and as OH0/IZ0FKE from the Aland Islands (EU-002) on 13-20 August. QSL via IZ0FMA, direct or bureau.
- OX - Bo, OX3LX will be working on Tasillaq Island (NA-151) from 28 July to 6 August, and will try to be QRV (CW, SSB and maybe RTTY and PSK31) as much as he can during his spare time. QSL via OZ1PIF. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- P4 - Gerard/KE9I (P40QX?), Eric/K9GY (P40GY?), Mike/AJ9C (P40C?), Phil/N9LAH (P4/homecall) and Nancy/KB9NSC will be active from Aruba on 6-20 August. They plan to participate in the WAE CW Contest, possibly as P40QX in remembrance of Leo, N9QX (KE9I's father) who passed away this year. [TNX NG3K]
- PY - Ben, PY7VI and Renner, PY7RP will participate in the IOTA Contest as PY7VI/7 from Itamaraca Island (SA-046). QSL via PY7VI. [TNX The

Daily DX]

- SP - Look for SN2NP to operate from the lighthouse at Gdansk Nowy Port (ARLHS POL-033) on 18-22 August. QSL SP2BIK, direct or bureau. [TNX SP2BIK]
- SV - Peter, G4HSO will operate QRP mainly CW as SV8/G4HSO/p from Kefallonia (EU-052) and possibly also from Ithaki (EU-052) from 30 July to 13 August. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]
- SV - Tony, IK8VRH reports he has changed his plans for his August IOTA activity from Greece [425DXN 739]. Now he expects to operate as SV/IK8VRH from the following islands and lighthouses:

10-11 Augsut	Skiza	EU-158
13-14 August	Elafonisos	EU-113
16-18 Augsut	Dokos	EU-075 (ARLHS GRE-059)
20-22 August	Kavalliani	EU-060
23-28 August	Spetses	EU-075 (ARLHS GRE-063)

He will be active on 20, 17 and 15 metres SSB, RTTY and CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.
- SV - Andy, IK7YTT will operate on 10-40 metres SSB as SV/IK7YTT from Mykonos Island (EU-067) on 15-20 August. QSL via home call. [TNX IK7YTT]
- SV5 - Hubert, DK9NCX will be active as either SV5/DK9NCX or J45R from Rhodes (EU-001) on 6-20 August. He plans to be QRV on 160-10 metres and to concentrate on the low bands. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]
- TA - Ozer, TA2RC and Mustafa, TA2MW will operate from Kefken Island (AS-159) on 29-31 July. Look for TA2MW/0 especially on 6 metres (KN51DF), while Ozer will be active as YM0T during the IOTA Contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX TA2RC]
- TA - Omer, TA6IA reports he plans to participate in the IOTA Contest from Giresun Island (AS-154). [TNX www.islandchaser.com]
- TK - Stefano, IK5PWQ will operate (CW and SSB on the HF bands) as TK/IK5PWQ from Corsica (EU-014) on 1-15 August. He also plans to be active as TK/IK5PWQ/P (on 20 metres CW and SSB) from one of the coastal islands (EU-164). QSL via bureau (for TK/IK5PWQ) and direct (for TK/IK5PWQ/P: Stefano Ceccotti, Piazza Dante Alighieri 3-AL, 56030 Cascine di Buti - PI, Italy
- TK - Gilberto, IZ2GIL will be active (on 2-80 metres, 6 metres excluded) as TK/IZ2GIL from Corsica on 1-30 August.
- UA - Vlad, RZ10A and Dima, UA10LM will operate from Layda Island (EU-153, RR-02-27) from 28 July to 1 August. QSL via RZ10A (Vlad Sadakov, P.O. Box 48, Arkhangelsk, 163040, Russia). [TNX RZ10A]
- UA - Look for Vladimir (RV1CC/0), Serge (UA1ANA/0), Yuri (RA0FU/p) and Elen (RV3ACA/0) to be active from Shikotan Island (AS-062, RR-15-06) on 10-18 August. QSL via home calls. [TNX RV3ACA]
- UA - Wasilij, RU3SD and others plan to be active as UE3SFF/6 from the Natural Reserve of Bogdinsko-Baskunchakskij - and possibly also from islands located in the Caspian Sea - in August. QSL via DL8KAC. [TNX DL8KAC]
- UR - Special event station EN40EKR will be active on all HF bands CW and SSB on 8-14 August to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the amateur radio club in Kryvy Rig, Ukraine. QSL via UT4EK, direct or bureau. [TNX UT4EK]
- VE - Alex, VE7FGY will be on Pasley Island (NA-091) until 5 September. He plans to operate on most weekends (generally from 17 to 5 UTC, on or

around 14260 kHz) and to be active during the IOTA Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]

- VE - Len, VE9MY and Linda, VE9GLF report they will be operating from IOTA NA-081 on 7 August (the island is not known at this time as transportation has to be arranged). However, this will be a new Canadian island, as will be the island they hope to activate on 5 August (this one will not count for IOTA). QSL to home calls, direct or bureau.
- VE & W - Bob, N3RW and Jack, KG6RWI will operate QRP from Vancouver Island (NA-036) and Whidby Island (NA-065) between 16 and 20 August. Look for them on CW (+/- 7030, 10110, 14060 and 18075 kHz) and SSB (+/- 14260 and 18150 kHz). [TNX N3RW]
- VK9 - Charlie, W0YG will be active as VK9XG from Christmas Island (OC-002) from 23 October to 7 November, and as VK9CG from Cocos Keeling (OC-003) on 7-21 November. QSL direct only via home call. [TNX W0YG]
- VU - The IOTA Contest activity from Elephanta Island (AS-169) [425DXN 742] has been cancelled owing to heavy rains and flooding. [TNX VU2UR]
- W - John, K4BAI and Jeff, KU8E will operate from Jekyll Island (NA-058) on 29-31 July, and will participate in the IOTA Contest as KU8E. They might also go and operate as W4AN from Amelia Island (NA-138). QSL KU8E via home call, QSL W4AN via K4BAI. [TNX www.rsgbiota.org]
- W - Rob, N3RW/6 and Jack, KG6RWI we will be active from Santa Catalina Island (NA-066) during the first week of August. Their main frequencies will be 14060 kHz CW and 18150 kHz SSB, and they will run 5 watts out of solar panel charged batteries. QSL via home calls. [TNX www.islandchaser.com]
- W - The Old Barney ARC will be operating as N20B from "Old Barney", the Barnegat Lighthouse (USA-039) on Long Beach Island (NA-111, USI NJ-001S) on 6 August from about 13 UTC until 21 UTC (rain date 7 August). Most operation is planned for 20 and 40 metres SSB and local 2 metres. QSL via N20B. [TNX N200]
- W - The Low Country Contest Club will operate as NU4SC from Sullivans Island (NA-110, USI SC-004S) on 6-7 August. QSL via K3IXD. [TNX VA3RJ]
- W - The Old Barney ARC will be operating as W2T from the Tucker's Island Lighthouse (USA-911) in the Tuckerton Seaport in Tuckerton, NJ during the International Lighthouse & Lightship Weekend (20-21 August), from about 13 UTC to 21 UTC each day. Activity is planned for 40 and 20 meter SSB and local 2 metres. QSL via N200. [TNX N200]
- W - Adam, K2ARB will be active as K2ARB/1 from Martha's Vineyard (NA-046, USI MA-005S) on 1-30 August. Look for activity on 80, 40, 30, 20 and 17 metres CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]
- YB - Adhi, YC3MM reports that YB3ZMI will be aired from Madura Island (OC-237) and Sembilangan Lighthouse (ARLHS ID0-079) starting around 17 UTC on 29 July, IOTA Contest included. QSL via IZ8CCW. [TNX IZ8CCW]

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6 METRES IN HUNGARY ---> The Hungarian National Communications Authority has authorized a maximum of 60 licenced amateur radio stations to operate on 50 MHz from 1 to 30 August. Haros Radioclub (HA5HRK) and two other amateur radio organizations will take part in the experiment, which is aimed to test whether interference with television broadcast is manageable, and if the band can be opened for amateur radio use. There will be no mode restrictions, but a limit of 5W ERP. [TNX HA5X]

ARISS ---> The International Space Station is now under construction and is permanently manned by teams of astronauts, many of whom have amateur licenses. Amateurs from the ISS partner countries, in the USA, Russia, Japan, Europe and Canada, have set up ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station), a program to develop and put into operation the on-board amateur station. The following frequencies are currently used for ARISS general QSOs:

Voice and Packet Downlink: 145.80 (Worldwide)

Voice Uplink: 144.49 for Regions 2 and 3 (The Americas, and the Pacific)

Voice Uplink: 145.20 for Region 1 (Europe, Central Asia and Africa)

Packet Uplink: 145.99 (Worldwide)

Crossband FM repeater downlink: 145.80 MHz (Worldwide)

Crossband FM repeater uplink: 437.80 MHz (Worldwide)

All frequencies are subject to Doppler shifting.

Full information can be found on various web sites, for instance:

<http://www.ariss-eu.org/>

<http://www.rac.ca/ariss/>

<http://www.arll.org/ARISS/>

<http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/station/reference/radio/> [TNX Info Radio and I1PIK]

CROATIAN ISLANDS ---> According to the Mediterranean Islands Award Bulletin (http://www.mdxc.org/bol_archive.asp), the following stations are resident on Croatian islands: Neno/9A7N, 9A1CM (Radio Club) and Vedran/9A4VV on Korcula (EU-170, MIA MC-163); Mladen/ 9A2MB on Ugljan (EU-170, MIA MC-441); Branko/9A7YY on Vis (EU-016, MIA MC-452); Milan/ 9A4KF on Hvar (EU-016, MIA MC-132); Koki/9A2JG, Ivo/9A2GF and Tomo/9A4W on Brac (EU-016, MIA MC-042). [TNX IT9DAA]

EU-147 ---> Please note that as long as their status remains unconfirmed, the following islands are not valid for EU-147:

RR-02-61 Lushov

RR-02-65 Guby Popova

RR-02-62 Ploskie Ludy

RR-02-66 Kalgalakshskoy Guby

RR-02-63 Guby Chupa

RR-02-67 Bolshoy Robyak

RR-02-64 Guby Gridina

RR-02-68 Yaichnaya Luda

All of these island were to be activated by the RZ4HZW team [425DXN 741] during their 21 July - 2 August trip to the White Sea. [TNX RRA / WRC]

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HF DX SWL MEETING ---> ARI Sala Consilina (Salerno) organizes an HF DX SWL Meeting that will take place on 1-2 October. Speakers will include Mauro Pregliasco (I1JQJ), Alfredo Gallerati (IK7JGI), Andrea Panati (IK1PMR) and Vinicio Ravizza (IK2CIO); for those interested in getting a US amateur radio license (any class), a test session will be held on 1 October (details can be found at <http://www.ik1pmr.com/vec/sala-2005.php>). Further information will be available at <http://iz8ajq.altervista.org>

NEW PREFIXES ---> Germany has started issuing DQ and DR callsigns, as well as 2x1 calls to club stations. Moreover, only the DP0-DP2 prefixes will still be used exclusively for extraterritorial areas (for instance Antarctica). Currently there are no DI prefix callsigns. [TNX DL1ELY]

QSL YV5TX ---> Jose Manuel, YV5TX (ex YY5JMM) reports that his new QSL manager is EA5KB.

MORE ON AMATEUR RADIO IN YEMEN ---> The following was received from Vladimir Bykov, UA4WHX on 23 July:

Hello everybody again!

I just left the office of the Ministry of Telecommunications.

Mr Abdulgader Ibrahim, Director General of Frequency Management Department of the Ministry of Communications asked me to pass this on to fellow amateurs:

1. He needs as much visual material as possible as he has an arrangement with the security section of Yemen Ministry of Interior to give a presentation related to amateur radio trying to prove that:

A. it is good for the country

B. it poses no threat to security.

Handbooks, magazines, tapes, CD's, samples of picture QSL cards, amateur radio posters will be greatly appreciated, being new or used, no difference. Send them to him at as soon as possible to:

Mr Abdulgader Ibrahim

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2. He can reconfirm via fax or e-mail that there has never been a single amateur radio operation from Yemen, if he receives an official inquiry from ARRL or any other AM. Radio Club. One - only! - authorization has been given to a sultan of Kuwait but he never operated. All others according to his and a few other official words are pirates and illegal. No matter what documents they present and what they say.

These are some of the other names I also know a few e-mails and some cell phones but I am not authorized to give them. All of them speak very good English! and are open minded.

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For the Ministry of Interior there are no names I can give although they do exist it should be enough to put just the name of the Ministry and to the attention of the Minister, Sana'a, Yemen.

They also told me a story how they caught a crew of Germans a few years ago who operated from Aden from a hotel on amateur radio bands but the Ministry people were nice to them and gave their rigs back to them and just told them to shut down they could have easily ended up in prison.

In fact, they do understand a lot about ham radio here at the Ministry, they think they need it. As well as the community and the people of the country.

They wanted to establish a club at the Ministry to teach locals and let visitors operate but the Ministry of Interior has never been too happy with that.

They (telecom people) are saying, things might as well change soon.

73, VB

UA4WHX

Sana'a, Yemen

NEWS FROM CANADA ---> Doug, VA7DP reports that effective immediately, HF operation on the bands below 30 MHz has been authorized by Industry Canada for:

- a) amateurs who were certified with only the Basic Qualification prior to 2 April 2002;
- b) amateurs who have been certified with both Basic and Advanced Qualifications;
- c) amateurs with only the Basic Qualification who were certified after 1 April 2002, and who achieved a pass mark of 80% or greater.

Those amateurs with only the Basic Qualification who were certified after 1 April 2002, but who achieved less than an 80% pass mark, will either have to qualify in Morse, write the Advanced or re-write the Basic examination to obtain HF privileges. This latter requirement is related to a decision to

increase the Basic examination pass mark to ensure that candidates have been tested in all areas of the syllabus. Also effective immediately, the pass mark for the Basic Qualification has been raised from 60% to 70%.

QSL 9K2GS ---> W6YJ is no longer the QSL manager for Abdallah, 9K2GS. The new QSL route for either 9K2GS and 9K2K is via EA5KB. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

QSL FW5ZL ---> Cards should be sent to FR5ZL: Guy Petit de la Rhodiere, 33 Chemin Lambert, Casabois, 97433 Salazie (La Reunion), France.

QSL S92RI ---> All of the direct requests received so far for the February 2005 S92RI operation from Rolas Island (AF-023) have been processed and mailed. The team is now working on the bureau cards. QSL via CT1APE. [TNX CT1AXS]

QSL VIA CT3KN ---> Ricardo is the QSL manager (direct and bureau) for CQ3A, CQ3T, CQ9T, CT9KN, CS94KN, PP6ZKN, CT3KN/CT1, CT/CT3KN/P. For direct cards, please note his new address: Ricardo Martins, Rua Levada dos Barreiros 10 4 X, 9000-161 Funchal, Portugal. [TNX CT3KN]

YEMEN UPDATE ---> The following was received from Vladimir Bykov, UA4WHX on 26 July:

Hello everybody again!

RE: Yemen Telecom

Their last current problem is they need to pass a legislation abd they do not know who and how may compose a draft of it (at the Ministry - no knowledge, no time). Otherwise: two months and they are ready to give permits..

Can we find samples of legislation related to amateur radio, best from Arabic speaking countries? Or just from as many as it is possible. Amything goes.

73, VB

UA4WHX

Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

+ SILENT KEY + The team on Culatra Island (EU-145) [425DXN 735] started pre-contest activity on 28 July. They planned to participate in the IOTA Contest as CT6C; however, in the UTC morning of 29 July the operation was cancelled owing to the sudden and untimely death of Sam Pimenta, CT1EEN, who was expected to be part of the team. Sam was very well known in the IOTA circle; he operated from various Portuguese IOTA groups under his callsign and as IOTA Contest team member (CQ2P in 1998 and CT6B in 2003), in 1999 he participated in the VK9RS operation (OC-230) and also operated as VK6EEN/P (OC-199 and OC-183), in 2003 he was one of the ZW8M (SA-042) team members. We will miss his unmistakable voice in the pile-ups.

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AWARDS HUNTER: This new piece of software, created by Andrew/UA3AA and his team, is for amateur radio operators who enjoy collecting awards as part of their hobby. The programme generates award applications automatically, with almost no manual work required. Details can be found at <http://www.awardshunter.com>

EU-130: Pictures of the recent operation from Anfora Island by Stefano, IV3LZQ and Paolo, IV3PUT can be found at <http://www.qsl.net/iv3lzb>

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A2MD, 3G0YP, 3S2MD, 4K5D, 4L1MA, 4T750, 4U1ITU, 4U1UN, 5H3HK, 5H3RK, 5R8FU, 5R8GZ, 5T5SN, 5Z4DZ, 9G500, 9G5SP, 9H1ZA, 9J2CA, 9K2MU, 9M2AX, 9M2CNC, 9M6/G300K, 9V1YC, A71BX, A92GR, BV4CT, CE8A (SA-094)C08LY, CP6XE, CU7/G3TXF, CW5R (SA-039), ET3TK, EY7AF, FJ/N1DL, FM5JC, FO/F6COW, FR5ZL, HK3AK, HS0ZEE, IC8SDL, IM0/I1ASU/P (EU-041), J20FH, JT1Y, KH7X, KH8/N9TK, KH9/AH8H, KI7VR/HI9, OC4P (SA-052), OY3QN, PZ5RA, SU1SK, SV5/DJ7RJ, SV5/DL3DRN, T94B, TA3DD, TI8CBT, TN3B, T07C, TT8AM0, TT8M, TU20J, TY5ZR, UK8BQ, UN6LN, UN8LA, V25DL, V73JY, V73RX, VU3SPQ, W3GRX/C6A, W6/MOBLF/P (NA-066), WH8/F6EXV, XE3ARV, XF4IH, XQ6ET, YB4IR (OC-143), YE1P (OC-237), YK1BB, YK9A, YV4DYJ, ZC4LI, ZD7F, ZK1APX, ZK1EPY, ZK2QQ.

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