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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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CN - Members of the Association Royale des Radioamateurs du Maroc will be using the special prefix 5E7 on 17-31 August to mark the 67th anniversary of Revolution Day (20 August 1953).

CO - Once again special station T45FM will be QRV from the lighthouse at Punta Maya on 21-23 August, especially during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. Expect activity on 80-10 metres, mainly digital modes. QSL via RW6HS. [TNX RW6HS]

CT - Members of the Oeste DX Gang will be active as CQ0ODX/p from the lighthouse of Cape Carvoeiro on 21-23 August. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8/FT4 on the HF bands, plus 6 and 2 metres. QSL only via LoTW or Club Log's OQRS.

ES - Look for ES0/LY5O to be active from a "few Estonian lighthouses" located on islands in IOTA Group EU-034 on 17-19 August. QSL direct to home call.

F - Chris, F5OHH and Dyd, F4ELJ will be active as TM2LW from Kerprigent Lighthouse in the French Department of Cotes-d'Armor (Bretagne) during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (22-23 August). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via F4ELJ.

GM - Members of the Na Fir Chlis Amateur Radio Club (MS0NFC) will be active as GB9UL from Ushenish Lighthouse on the Isle of South Uist EU-010) during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (22-23 August). Main activity will be on 40 and 20 metres. QSL via eQSL only.

I - A group of operators from ARI Genova (IQ1GE) will be active again as II1L from La Lanterna during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (22-23 August). QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, direct or bureau. Also QRV will be IQ4RA from the lighthouse at Marina di Ravenna, with planned activity on 80, 40 and 20 metres SSB and CW, as well as on the QO-100 Geostationary satellite. QSL via the bureau or direct.

LU - Radio Club QRM Belgrano, LU4AAO will be active on 23-29 August to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the first regularly scheduled radio transmissions in Argentina which began on 27 August 1920, when Wagner's "Parsifal" was broadcast live from the Coliseo Theatre in Buenos Aires. More information can be found on http://lu4aao.org/cert_centenario_radiofonia.htm. [TNX LU5AG]

OJ0 - Henri, OH3JR expects to be active again as OJ0JR from Market Reef (EU-053) on 15-21 August. In his spare time he will operate CW, FT8 and possibly SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call and Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

OZ - Special callsign OZ200EM will be active throughout the rest of the year to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the discovery of elec-

tromagnetism by Hans Christian Orsted. QSL via OZ1ACB.

OZ - Helmich, PA0HEL will be active as OV1LHH from Hanstholm Lighthouse on Vendsyssel-Thy (EU-171) on 21-27 August. QSL via PA0HEL (bureau preferred).

OZ - Lau OV2B, Steen OV7B and Lars OZ1FUS will be active as OV1LH from the lighthouse on Helnaes, a satellite of the main island of Fyn (EU-172), during the International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (22-23 August). They plan to operate SSB on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6 metres. The log will be uploaded to LoTW and Club Log; QSL via OV7B.

OZ - Mike, DG5LAC will be active as OZ/DG5LAC from Romo Island (EU-125) from 22 August to 5 September. He will operate SSB, FT8 and FT4. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via DG5LAC.

VK - Andy, VK5MAV plans to be active again as VK5MAV/p from Granite Island (OC-228) on either 22 or 23 August, depending on weather conditions. He will operate CW on 20 metres with 100 watts (battery powered) and a vertical antenna. He will not be able to overnight on the island, because access is limited to daytime hours only, so look for him on +/- 14042 kHz between about 00.00 and 07.00 UTC. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.

VR - Special callsign VR2HK9O will be active apparently until 31 May 2021 to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Hong Kong Amateur Radio Transmitting Society (HARTS). QSL via VR2HK.

VU - AT5AUG is the special callsign used by the West Bengal Radio Club on 14-16 August for the 74th Independence Day (celebrated annually on 15 August, it commemorates India's independence from the United Kingdom in 1947). An electronic QSL will be available, see qrz.com.

W - John, N9EAJ will be active holiday style as N9EAJ/4 from Santa Rosa Island (NA-142) on 20-25 August. He will operate SSB and CW on 40-15 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

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5Z4VJ & 5Z4J ---> Andy, G3AB has been active as 5Z4VJ (his newly issued permanent callsign) since 12 August. QSL via LoTW or via M0URX's OQRS. A resident in Nairobi for the next few years, he has already logged more than 50,000 QSOs as 5Z4/G3AB starting in late October 2019.
5Z4J is the callsign issued John, ZS5J (aka C91J, A25J and 7P8/ZS5J), who has been living and working in Kenya for three years now. QSL via LoTW only.

IARU NEWS: HF DIGITAL MODE BAND PLAN REVIEW ---> "Because frequency allocations and amateur radio operating interests vary in different parts of the world, the development of band plans - voluntary guidelines on the use of the spectrum that is available to radio amateurs - is a responsibility of the three IARU regional organizations", IARU Secretary David Sumner, K1ZZ

posted to the website of IARU on 14 August. "Each of the three Regions has a band planning committee to focus on this work. In recent years there have been increased efforts to bring the regional band plans into alignment wherever possible. Final approval of band plan revisions is generally given by the regional conferences of IARU member-societies that are held every three years on a rotating basis.

This approach to band planning generally has kept pace with the evolution of amateur radio operating. However, the explosive growth in HF (below 30 MHz) digital modes, particularly FT8, has led to perceived overcrowding of HF digital mode band segments. Accordingly, a working group has been formed consisting of representatives of the three regional band planning committees. This is the first time the three Regions have joined together to directly coordinate band planning efforts.

The working group has already had fruitful discussions with the WSJT development Group led by Joe Taylor, K1JT. Additional discussions, including with other HF stakeholders, will be held as part of a fundamental review of the different HF digital modes, and how they can be best categorized and arranged to share the limited spectrum available.

The main aim is to develop solutions that reduce congestion within very popular mode segments while preventing mutual interference between incompatible modes to the greatest extent possible. While the proposed band plan revisions will have to be approved by member-societies in each Region, recent administrative changes mean that the changes can be implemented without having to wait for the regional conferences.

Amateurs are encouraged to follow progress through their IARU member Society and the respective IARU websites, all of which can be reached via https://www.iaru.org/".

TT8RR & TT8XX ---> The Italian DXpedition Team's operation from Chad, which was planned to take place from 29 September to 12 October [425DXN 1505], has been postponed until sometime next year, "Covid-19 situation permitting". Updates will be posted to http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/.

W/VE ISLANDS ---> This year's edition of the W/VE Islands QSO Party will be held from 12 UTC on 29 August through 03.00 UTC on the 30th (15 hours). Complete information can be found on https://usislands.org/qso-party-rules/.

XU7AKU & XU7AKV ---> Tad, JA1DFK is active as either XU7AKU and XU7AKV from Phnom Penh, Cambodia during the next couple of years. He operates mainly CW and SSB, with some digital activity. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to JA1DXA. See http://xd487474.wp.xdomain.jp/ for more information.

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******* QSL ROUTES *******
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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3V8CB	LX1NO	EM7EFF/p	UR7EY	OH0R	OH2PM

3W3B	E21EIC	EM9WFF	EA5EL	OH0T	OH2GEK
3Z65M72M	SP3GVX	ER4A	ER1FF	OL1941FP	OK2CME
4L1FL	EA7FTR	ER4KAA	ER1FF	OL30DXC	OK2PXJ
4L2M	EA7FTR	FK8HA	K3IRV	OL650G	OK1KM
4O7CC	UA4CC	GH5DX	EB7DX	OM0R	OM3GI
4X6FR	4X6OM	GX5DX	EB7DX	P29LL	EA7FTR
4X6TT	N4GNR	HA50KHW	HA0HW	P33W	UA3DX
4Z4AK	4Z5MU	HC2AO	RC5A	P3AA	RW3RN
5B4AMX	LZ3SM	HF0BW	SP1PBW	PA800D	PI4DEC
5B60AHO	5B4AHO	HF100BW	SP3TYJ	PE75OUW	PE1OUW
5B60AMX	LZ3SM	HI3SD	EC6DX	PI75KML	PA3DVA
5P5L	DD2ML	HI8K	W2CCW	PI75ZUT	PA2PKZ
5Z4VJ	M0URX	HL75V	6K0MF	PJ2MAN	EC5AHA
7X5ST	7X2LS	HS0ZJF	ON4AFU	PJ4A	K4BAI
9K2OW	EC6DX	HZ1DS	DJ9ZB	PJ4DX	M0URX
9M2TO	JA0DMV	HZ1SK	IZ8CLM	PJ4KY	M0URX
9V1YC	W5UE	HZ1TT	A61BK	R108WWS	RV3YR
A42K	EA5GL	IB9A	IZ2WFL	R1943KB	RW3WW
A61QQ	A61BK	II4CLT	IQ4FE	R90WDW	RZ5D
A71EM	M0OXO	IR2Q	IK2PFL	RX0L	RU0LM
A71VV	M0OXO	IR6T	IK6VXO	SM2U	SM0CXU
C31CT	EA3QS	IY6GM	IK6VXO	SN1920T	SP2TMT
C4W	5B4WN	JU85UIA	JT1CH	SN306DM	SP2PTU
CB3R	XQ3SK	JY5MM	IK2DUW	SN7Q	SP7GIQ
CE1LTL	EB7DX	KL7SB	N4GNR	SP50ENV	DL1EKO
CN21MM	CN8MM	KP2M	NZ4DX	TC3GP	YM3KCN
CN21SG	EA7FTR	LX7I	LX2A	TC3GS	YM3KCN
CN8PA	RW6HS	LZ105AJ	LZ1ZF	TF3W	TF3MH
CO7HH	RW6HS	LZ5R	LZ1YQ	TM17FFF	F4GFE
CP4BT	IK2DUW	LZ662MI	LZ1KCP	TM1CY	F5PBL
CP6CL	W3HNK	MD2C	MD0CCE	TZ4AM	W0SA
CR5MCT	CT7ABF	MX1COL	G6XOU	UN7AM	RN3RQ
CR5O	CT7AJL	OD5KU	EB7DX	UP0L	DL8KAC
CS2CAT	CT7AOV	OD5PY	KU9C	VK2IA	DK2BJ
CX2DK	EA5GL	OD5RZ	YO3FRI	VK8NSB	M0URX
CX4DI	EA5GL	OD5ZF	IZ8CLM	VY2ZM	EA7HBC
CX9AU	EA5GL	OE/HB9RB	RC3C	WP3R	W3HNK
DB100ENK	DO2PZ	OE25BKC	OE3BKC	YJ8RN	NZ4DX
DQ750KL	DL5KVV	OE25DMT	OE7DMT	YO16IPA	YO3AS
DU3LA	W3HNK	OE25XGM	OE5XGM	ZB2TT	M0URX
DU6/PE1NSQ	EA5GL	OE25XWI	OE7XWI	ZL7DX	M0OXO
E2A	E21EIC	OE25YSC	OE3YSC	ZL7STU	M0OXO
E7DX	E77E	OG70AD	OH3AD	ZM1A	ZL3CW
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