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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5N - 5N9DTG [425DXN 1758] is expected to be QRV from Abuja, Nigeria starting "around 25 January for two weeks". This will be a 2-man activity from 160 to 6 metres, with the highest priority given to FT8/FT4. See https://www.qrz.com/db/5N9DTG for their planned transmit frequencies. QSL via Club Log's OQRS.
"Right after that we are heading to ZS land to meet our southern ocean vessel to make a lot of preparation for the most important one..." (according to their previous announcements, it should be Bouvet).[https://www.facebook.com/rebeldxgroup]

8Q - Ilian, LZ5KW will be active as 8Q7KW from the Maldives (AS-013) starting on 22 January for two weeks. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and FT8, on 80-10 metres. QSL via LoTW or via LZ1JZ; QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log. [TNX The Daily DX]

9A - Throughout 2025 Tom, 9A2AA will use 9A68AA to mark his 68 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call.

C5 - Przemo, SP3PS is again active as C5SP from the Gambia until mid-March. He can operate SSB and FT8 on 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres. QSL via home call.

D4 - Claudio, HB9OAU will be active holiday style as D44OA from Sal Island (AF-086), Cape Verde on 5-18 February. He will operate SSB and CW on 40-6 metres. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (paper cards will not be provided); QSOs will be uploaded also to Club Log.

FM - Dom, F4IFF will be active as FM/F4IFF from Martinique (NA-107) on 19-27 January. He will operate SSB and digital modes on the HF bands, and will use Club Log's Live Stream. QSL direct to EB7DX.

JD1_mt - Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is currently QRV from Minami Torishima (OC-073) [425DXN 1749]. His QSL manager reports that at the end of January Take will QRT on 10 metres, and be active on 12 metres instead. Also, sometime in late January-early February he will be able to be QRV on 20 metres. Take operates mainly CW in his spare time. QSL via the bureau to JG8NQJ, or direct to JA8CJY.

JW - Kristoffer, LB0VG and Stian, LB5SH will be active from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard from about 15:00 UTC on 24 January until around 10:00 UTC on 26 January (https://lb5sh.no/). They will operate SSB and CW as JW2T, and FY8/FT4 as JW/LB5SH, with two stations on 160-10 metres. QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log, whose Livestreams feature will be enabled. QSL JW2T via LoTW, QRZ Logbook, or via EA5GL. QSL JW/LB5SH via LoTW and QRZ Logbook (no paper cards).

P2 - Xu, BG5DON will be working near Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (OC-034) between 18 January and 30 May. In his spare time, mostly during the weekends, he will be active as P29XZ on 20, 17, 15, 10 and 6 metres FT8, running low power (10 watts). [TNX The Daily DX]

P4 - Mathias, DL4MM will be active again as P40AA from Aruba (SA-036) on

18-28 January, CQ WW 160-Meter CW Contest included. He will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 160-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, or via DL4MM. TNX [NG3K]

PA - Special event station PA25MC will be active on 23 January to introduce the Royal Netherlands Marine Corps to the world of amateur radio. Organized and supported by PI4VBD, the club station of the Royal Army's Signal Regiment, activity will be on SSB on the HF bands.

TZ - Ulmar, DK1CE will be active again as TZ1CE from Bamako, Mali between 28 January and 20 February. Usually he operates mainly SSB and FT8 on 160-6 metres. QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log and LoTW, and will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.

V4 - Once again John, W5JON will be active as V47JA from St. Kitts (NA-104) between 26 January and 5 February. He will operate SSB and FT8 on various bands. QSL via LoTW, or direct only to W5JON.

V7 - Sven (DJ4MX), Yannick (DK1YH), Philipp (DK6SP), Braco (E77DX), Tomi (HA8RT) and Jamie (M0SDV), will be active as V73WW from Majuro (OC-029), Marshall Islands starting on 12 February "for approximately 12 days". They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 with four stations. Plans are to distribute at least 2000 RTTY QSOs, to focus on the low bands, and to participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest. If the Internet connection is stable, they will use Club Log's Live Stream. See https://next-generation-dx.com/v7/ for V73WW's tentative band plan and other information. QSL via LoTW ("daily free of charge"), Club Log's OQRS, or via DJ4MX. Updates will be posted to https://www.facebook.com/RMI2025 and https://x.com/rmi2025.

VP5 - Gerhard, OE3GEA will be active holiday style as VP5/OE3GEA from Providenciales (NA-002) on 23-26 January. He will operate CW on 30-10 metres. QSLs via OE3GEA, direct or bureau.

VU_ant - AT44I is the callsign for George, VU2DGR to be active in his spare time from Bharati Research Station. He is a member of the 44th Indian Scientific Expedition to Antarctica. QSL via home call.

Z8 - Ken, K4ZW expects to be active as Z81Z from Juba, South Sudan on 20-24 January. He will operate CW and some SSB on various bands; once in Juba he will see if activity on the low bands is possible. QSL via LoTW, Club Log's OQRS, or via K4ZW. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZD7 - Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active holiday style as ZD7DPX from St. Helena Island (AF-022) from 21 January to 3 February. He will operate SSB and digital modes from ZD7CTO's QTH. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to IK2DUW.

AFRICA TRIP ---> Antonio, IK7WUL is going on a humanitarian mission trip to Africa; in his spare time he might be QRV - most likely on 10 metres SSB - as follows (dates are tentative):

26-31 January	Burkina Faso	callsign TBA
1-6 February	Ghana	9G5IK
6-14 February	Togo	5V0DX
14-23 February	Benin	TY2AA

CENTRAL AMERICA TOUR ---> The Russian Robinson Club (operators Mike K5MSK, Yuri N3QQ, Tim NL8F, Slava OK8AU, Raisa R1BIG, Vlad R9LR, Alex RW3RN and Hal W8HC) will be active from Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama between 11 February and 7 March. This will be a POTA/IOTA operation, with

CW, SSB and FT8 activity on 160-10 metres from the parks, and on 40-10 metres from the islands. Tentative dates are as follows:
* 11-16 February YN6RRC (requested callsign)
  POTA NI-0055 (Complejo Volcanico San Cristobal Nature Reserve)
* 11-16 February H7RRC (requested callsign)
  Concurrent side trip to Isla del Cardon (IOTA NA-212) by OK8AU, NL8F, N3QQ
* 19-25 February TI1RRC
  POTA CR-0018 (Corcovado National Park)
  Concurrent side trip to Isla del Cano (IOTA NA-117, POTA CR-0033); four operators for 3-4 days with three stations
* 26 February-3 March 3F3RRC (requested callsign)
  POTA PA-0033 (Fortuna Forest Reserve)

QSLs via M0OXO's OQRS (via RW3RN for Russia and Belarus only); QSOs will be uploaded to Club Log, and full LoTW upload is expected by 24 December.

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ARRL SYSTEMS SERVICE DISRUPTION ---> "DXCC application processing is back to typical processing times", the ARRL announced on 14 January. "In October, we reported that the ARRL DXCC System had been returned to service following work that was completed to ensure the security and integrity of the system following the cyber-attack in May. Over 4,000 DXCC applications have been logged into the system for processing since returning the system to service. We are currently processing applications submitted in December, and we continue to mail orders for paper DXCC certificates and endorsement stickers. There were 315 certificates mailed between December 27, 2024, and January 13, 2025".

AU2V: SUPPORT NEEDED ---> Team AU2V is looking for support for the announced operation from Sacrifice Rock (AS-161) [425DXN 1758]. "We're facing a critical challenge that threatens the success of our project", Sarath, VU2RS says. "Despite our efforts, we've been unable to secure significant funding from major DX foundations. This has left us with a substantial shortfall, and we're now relying on the support of the IOTA community to make this activation a reality". Donations to help offset the significant costs of "equipment, logistics, and contingency planning" are gratefully accepted: https://au2v.vu2rs.com/donations/.

DX WORLD BULLETINS COLLECTION ---> The weekly DX World Bulletins, compiled by Bjorn (ON9CFG) since 2013, are now archived in the Digital Library of Amateur Radio & Communications (DLARC), a project of the Internet Archive: https://archive.org/details/dx-world.

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3A/TK4TH, 3D2XD, 3DA0DL, 3V8HP, 3V8SS, 4L2M, 4O4DB, 4S7AB, 4U1UN, 4X0A, 5H1WX, 5R8WE (AF-057), 5Z4PA, 5Z4VJ, 6Y/DK9PY, 6Y6N, 9M1Z (OC-088), 9N1CA, 9V1YC, A71WW, BA5AD, C91AHV, CB8E, D2ACE, D4C, D4L, DS1TUW/2 (AS-105), DT0IP (AS-148), E6AQ, EF4HQ, ER4KAA, FO/DH5FS (OC-066 and OC-131), FP5BZ, FW7JV, GB2GM, GU0SUP, HH2AA, HH2K, HI3K, HS0ZBS, HV0A, HZ1SK, J73ESL, J88BTI, K0AP/5 (NA-168), K5M (NA-120), K8R, KH0/4Z5LA, KH0/KC0W, N5J, OH0/LX1NO, PA80OMG, PI38EUDFX, PX0FF, S01WS, S79VU, SU1SK, SZ1AB, T22T, T30UN, T88AT, T88JH, T88SM, TI1T, TM33GAME, TU5ML, V31CQ, V31TL, V55LA, V7/N7XR, VP6DF, VP8G, VP8LP, WC6DX (NA-066), XW4KV, YB0ECT, Z21EI, Z21ML, Z61DX, Z68BB, ZA/SV1ENG, ZB2BU, ZB2R, ZD7G, ZL7/JL8AQH.

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