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>>> NEW DXCC ENTITY: THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN <<<

On 14 July the UN General Assembly admitted the Republic of South Sudan as the 193rd member of the United Nations. Consequently, South Sudan has been added to the DXCC List as a new Entity (the 341st on the "current" list, thus moving the Honor Roll threshold to 332), by way of Section II, 1(a) of the DXCC Rules. The DXCC entity code assigned to Republic of South Sudan is 521. This is a totally new Entity for all DXers (i.e. the deleted Entity of Southern Sudan, ST0 has NOT been reinstated, as per DXCC Rules), and the DXCC Desk will begin immediately accepting QSOs for it, with a start date of July 14, 2011.

"The deadline for the Honor Roll and annual listings is December 31, so you must submit the new entity to DXCC by then in order to retain your Honor Roll status," Bill Moore, NC1L explained. "For Logbook of The World (LoTW), you may submit all your QSOs with the Republic of South Sudan stations anytime. There is no need to hold them out of your log or do anything differently from what you already have been doing. You do not need to assign country names or identifiers. After we issue certificates to the Republic of South Sudan license holders, LoTW will make matches and assign the correct entities automatically."

The Republic of South Sudan is also the newest addition to the CQ DX Award Countries List (it is #342, as CQ counts Kosova). Verifications confirming contacts after July 14, 2011 are acceptable for credit. No award credit is available for southern Sudan contacts made during the 1980s and 90s. The new addition will be reflected in CQ DX Honor Roll totals to be compiled near the end of September. South Sudan will count as a country (entity) multiplier for the CQ DX Marathon, the CQ World Wide DX Contest and any other CQ contests that use country multipliers.

As of 14 July, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) has not announced a prefix block for the Republic of South Sudan.

8P - Carsten, DF1XC will be active as 8P9XC from Barbados (NA-021) from 23 July to 15 August. He will operate holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

I - IK8LIU, IK8WEJ, IZ0FKE, IZ8EDJ, IZ8EGM, IZ8KNW, IZ8LKL, IZ8OJG and IZ8UZF will be active as IC8L from Licosa Island (EU-031, IIA SA-001) on 24 July. QSL via IZ8EGM.

I - A large group of operators from ARMI Taranto and the 599 DX Team will be active as IJ7DX from San Pietro Island (EU-073) on 18-21 August. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on the HF bands with three stations. QSL via IZ7LDC. Further information and QSLing instructions can be found at www.armi.ta.it/ij7dx [TNX IZ7AUH]

KL - Yuri, UA9OBA has joined the KL7RRC team (N3QQ and NL8F) that will
attempt to operate from St. Matthew Island (NA-232) [425DXN 1053]. Estimated dates now are 20-26 July. They plan to be QRV on SSB, CW and possibly PSK31 and RTTY, with full size vertical dipoles for 20, 17 and 15m and two 1/4 wave verticals for 40 and 30m. QSL via UA9OBA or N7RO. [TNX DX World]

OH - Ian, G4FSU will be active again as OH/G4FSU from Emsalo Island (EU-097) from 16 July to 10 August, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

OZ - Dieter, DF2SD will be active holiday style as OZ/DF2SD from Fano Island (EU-125) from 23 July to 2 August. He will operate SSB only on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

OZ - Axel, DL7VEA will be active as OZ7VEA from Bornholm Island (EU-030) from 24 July to 5 August, including a 12-hour entry in the IOTA Contest. QSL via DL7VEA, bureau preferred. Updates will be posted to http://oz7vea2011.blogspot.com/ [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PA - Beni ON3BL, Eddy ON4CCK, Erik ON4CCV, Francois ON4LO and Walter ON8CW will be active as PA/ON4LO/p from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) on 22-24 July. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via ON4LO, direct or bureau. [TNX ON4LO]

T8 - Masumi JA3AVO/T88MB (CW), his wife Hiroko JH3PBL/T88MP (SSB) and their grandson Shota W7AED/T88SR (SSB) will be active as T8XO from Koror (OC-009), Palau on 22-24 July. Activity will be on 160-6 metres. QSL T8XO via JA3AVO.

TA - Special event station TC7EYOF will be active on 23-30 July for the 11th European Youth Olympic Festival to be held in Trabzon. QSL via YM7KA, direct or bureau. [TNX TA7OM]

TK - Laurent, F8BBL will be active as TK11QRP from the main island of Corsica (EU-014) from 23 July to 6 August. He will operate mainly CW, with some SSB and digital modes, on 80-10 metres. QSL via F8BBL, direct or bureau, and LoTW.

VK - Kan, JE1SCF will be active holiday style as KU2F/VK4 from Lizard Island (OC-187) on 18-21 July. He plans to operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres. QSL via JE1SCF, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

425 DX NEWS MAGAZINE ---> The June 2011 issue is now available for download at www.425dxn.org/monthly/index.html. [TNX IZ3EBA]

MAJOR EQUIPMENT THEFT ---> All the equipment (transceivers, amplifiers, laptops and many more items) of the Radio Club of Provins, F6KOP (those who brought you 5H1C, 5V7C, J5C, TJ9PF, T07C, TS7C, XT2C, etc) was stolen last week. The equipment list can be found at http://dx-world.net/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/F6KOP-equipment-list.pdf [TNX I2VGW]
SOUTH SUDAN --> In their latest press release (14 July) the DX Friends and The Intrepid-DX Group (www.dxfriends.com/SouthernSudan2011/) state they "continue to move forward with their plans to activate this new entity with a multi-national DXpedition team. With our visas in hand, the teams will soon be making their way towards Africa and ultimately to Juba, the new capital of this new nation. We will have five active stations, operating 24 hrs a day.

We will be in regular contact with our US, EU and JA Pilot Stations and we will pay close attention to propagation reports from them. We ask that you please make contact with the pilot stations only during the DXpedition and to please refrain from contacting the team members directly via email. We will announce our call sign once we are in Juba and ready to become active".

On 15 July MM0NDX (EU Pilot for the DXpedition) released the following schedule:
"The Intrepid DX Group is meeting the DX Friends in Cairo on July 21st. On July 22nd, they all fly from Cairo to Juba, South Sudan. On July 23rd, they will meet with the Ministry of Communications to amend licenses to the new ITU prefix. They expect to be active later on July 23rd, or July 24th until shut down on August 10th, 2011".

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