- Charles, M00XO and Alan, 5B4AHJ have provided a list of the special callsigns issued by the Ministry of Communications of Azerbaijan for the Eurovision Song Contest to be held in Baku. The special callsigns may be used until 15 June. QSL via operator's instructions.

4J12SONG issued to Sergey Gorobets (4J5A)
4J1SONG issued to Andrey Shutikov (4K6DI)
4J4S0NG issued to Denis Denisov (4J9NM)
4J5SONG issued to Natig Gasimov (4J5T)
4J7SONG issued to Oktay Kerimov (4J7A)
4J9SONG issued to Rashad Iskenderli (4J9M)
4JR0SONG issued to Morad Yashuhiko (4JR0HYT)
4JSONG issued to "Safari" Club (4J4K)
4K12SONG issued to Boris Gorobets (4K4K)
4K1SONG issued to Mehdi Mamedov (4J7FM)
4K2012SONG issued to Leonid Malinin (4K8F)
4K4SONG issued to Asif Jafarov (4K6AL)
4K6SONG issued to Vladimir Zhabin (4K6C)
4K8SONG issued to Mixail Sirov (4K8M)
4K9SONG issued to Vladimir Shishko (4K9W)
4KSONG issued to "Gen. Aslanov" Club (4K7Z)

5X - Freddy, F5IRO (J28RO) will be working in Uganda between early May and June (exact dates unknown for the time being). He plans to be QRV (callsign TBA) in his spare time, with activity on the upper HF bands and on 30 metres during his evenings. He will operate CW and maybe some PSK. QSL via F8DFP, direct or bureau. Freddy's blog is at [http://j28ro.blogspot.com](http://j28ro.blogspot.com)

A5 - Look for JA1JQY (A52JY), JK1EBA (A52BA), JA3MCA (A52MA), JA1KJW (A52KJ) and JA8VE (A52VE) to be active from Thimpu, Bhutan on 6-14 June. They plan to be QRV on 160-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY, with an emphasis on 6m (a breakable beacon will be running on 50125 kHz). QSL via home calls. [TNX JF1OCQ]

EA8 - Members of the Gran Canaria DX Group and the local URE radio club will be active as EG8WFF from the Biosphere Reserve of Gran Canaria on 5-6 May. They will operate SSB, CW and RTTY on all bands from the island's central mountains (1350m a.s.l.). QSL via EA8AKN. [TNX EA8AKN]

F - Look for F/DL1COP, F/DL1KD, F/DJ2VO, F/DL3KMS and F/DL3KBQ to be active from Porquerolles Island (EU-070) on 12-25 May. They will be QRV on 80-10 metres all modes. QSL via home calls. [TNX rsrgbiota.org]

F - A group of operators from the Charente DX Group will be active as TM0CI from the Chausey Islands (EU-039) on 19-25 May. QSL via F5EOT, direct or bureau (QSLling instructions on qrz.com).
F - The Castres DX Gang will be active as TM5FI from Ratonneau Island (EU-095) on 23-30 May. QSL via F5XX. [TNX F8ATM]

HB9 - Tera Radio Club (www.hb9ok.ch) members will be active on all bands and modes as HB100FLP from 7 May to 9 June to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the railway line between Lugano and Ponte Tresa. QSL via HB9OCR, bureau preferred. [TNX HB9OAU]

HS - HS0ZKG is the callsign issued on 25 April to Alain, F6HBR (ex-FO8FW and FR5EM) under the reciprocal agreement signed between Thailand and France in December 2011. Alain operates mainly CW, with some PSK and RTTY, from Koh Samui (AS-101). [TNX F5NQL]

JA - Mitsuo, JF6TEU and Tsuyoshi, JA6VDB will be active from Uji Island (AS-067) on 11-13 May. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 80-12 metres. They might also be QRV on 160m, 10m, RTTY and PSK31. QSL direct or bureau. Updates will be posted to Twitter (@JA6VDB). [TNX JA6VDB]

KH0 - Look for W2GJ/KH0 to be active from Saipan (OC-086) between 29 April and 3 May. He plans to be QRV on 80-10 metres all modes, possibly with some activity on 6 metres. QSL via JL1FUQ. [TNX VA3RJ]

KL - The Russian Robinson Club's second attempt at operating from IOTA group NA-240 (Bethel County, new one) is now scheduled on 10-14 May. The operators will be N3QQ, NL8F and possibly a third one. Look for them to be signing KL7RRC/p from Pingurbeck Island on 40-6 metres SSB and CW. QSL via N7RO and UA9OBA. Live tracking of their location will be available at www.na-234.com.

OD - Luigi, IV3XNF will be in Lebanon with the UNIFIL mission between May and October. He plans to operate QRP as OD5/IV3XNF during his spare time, and to be QRV on 80-10 metres CW and digital modes. QSL via home call (direct), eQSL and LoTW.

PA - PA3FTX, PA3Z, PD1GWF and PF0IS will be active as PI4WBR from Schouwen Duiveland (EU-146) from 27 April to 6 May. They will operate SSB on 80-10 metres. QSL via PA3FTX, direct or bureau. [TNX rsgbiota.org]

PA - Frans, PC2F will use special callsign PC25HR between 6 and 28 May, and especially on 12 May from the Hertog Reijnout pumping station for Holland's National Windmill Day. QSL via home call (all of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau). [TNX PC2F]

PJ2 - Anja, DH2AK and Torsten, DL1THM will be active holiday style as PJ2/DH2AK and PJ2/DL1THM from Curacao (SA-099) on 5-18 May. They plan to operate mainly SSB on 15-20 metres. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

PY - Renner, PY7RF will be active holiday style as PY7RP/6 from Tinhare Island (SA-080) on 10-13 May. He will operate CW and SSB using 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL via home call. [TNX PT7WA]

T8 - Kan, JJ2RCJ (AB2RF) will be active as T88RF from Palau from 30 April to 4 May. He plans to focus on the low bands and digital modes (PSK63, RTTY, Hell). QSL via JJ2RCJ, direct or bureau, and LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

UA - Celebrating the 67th anniversary of the end of World War II, special callsign R1945HS will be in use on 1-31 May. QSL via RW6HS (direct only). [TNX RW6HS]

UR - Members of Crimean Radio Club will be active as EM67J on 1-15 May to commemorate the 67th anniversary of the end of World War II.
QSL via K2PF and LoTW. [TNX K2PF]

V6 - Kay, JH3AZC (V63AZ) and Takio, JH3QFL (V63QFL) will be active as from Pohnpei (OC-010), Micronesia from 30 April to 3 May. They plan to be ARV on 40-6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via home calls. [TNX JN6RZM]

VE - Special event callsign VC2CBS30 will be in use on 1-30 May to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the incorporation of the Sorel-Tracy ARC (VE2CBS). QSL via VE2DWE. [TNX VA3RJ]

W - Celebrating the CTRI Contest Group's 20th anniversary, twenty-six members will operate using individual 1x1 callsigns on 1-15 May. Operations will take place from from the States of Connecticut (K1C, K1Q, K1R, K1T, N1M, N1Q, W1A), Rhode Island (K1B, K1D, K1G, K1J, K1K, K1L, K1O, K1U, K1W, N1H, N1R, W1M, W1R, W1W, W1Y), Massachusetts (K1N, K1V, W1B) and Vermont (K1M). QSL via NG1G. [TNX arrl.org]

W - KAISKY, the amateur radio station at the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center in Concord (NH), will be active as K1A between 1 and 15 May to commemorate the 51st anniversary of the first American in space. QSL via KK1KW.

XE - Special event station 6J5M will be active on 1-6 May for the Cinco de Mayo festivities, celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Puebla. QSL via XE1AMF. Information on the relevant award can be found at http://150.puebladx.org

XX9 - XX9E is the callsign for the 17-23 May DXpedition to Coloane Island (AS-075), Macau [425DXN 1089]. A large team will be active on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY with at least three stations. QSL via EB7DX and LoTW. Further information at www.adxg.org/xx9/

XZ - Simon, HS0ZIB [425DXN 1072] splits his time between Thailand and Myanmar, travelling to and fro each week and working in Kawthaung as a volunteer English and Thai language teacher at the local primary schools (www.myanmarteachers.org). He has been granted permission to be active as XZ1K, but with an emphasis by the authorities on a "'low-key' style of operation, with no team of operators, no large antennas, no high power etc". He plans to start with 10 metres (SSB only), 20 metres (SSB and PSK) and possibly 40 metres (SSB and PSK). "I currently have no 6 meter equipment and need to build some wire antennas for the low bands. CW operation may follow when my morse rate is adequate!" Activity on the amateur radio bands will have to fit in with his work and trips, but "please do not treat this like a DXpedition! I intend to work in Myanmar as long as I can, and so you have time to try for a QSO". All QSL card requests will be made by OQRS (no direct mail, bureau, LOTW or eQSL support). Please visit www.xz1k.org for further information. [TNX DX World]

ZB - Look for ZQ prefixes to be used from Gibraltar from 5 May to 10 June in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II. Mike, ZB3M will be active as ZQ3M (QSL via home call, direct only) and Edward, ZB2ER will use ZQ2ER (QSL via home call, direct only).

ZS8 - Rory Meyer, ZS6RGV is the new radio technician at Marion Island base, the Daily DX reports. He is expected to be very busy for a few weeks, and "in the meantime ZS1HF (ex ZS8M) will be supporting Rory with obtaining a ZS8 callsign".
CARIBBEAN TRIP ---> Barry, ZS1FJ/9V1FJ (G4MFW) will be active from the Caribbean between 9 and 10 May. His planned schedule as follows:

09-11 May  PJ7/G4MFW (St. Maarten) and FS/G4MFW (St. Martin)
12-14 May  PJ5/G4MFW (Saba)
15-16 May  FJ/G4MFW (St. Barthelemy)
17-20 May  PJ2/G4MFW (Curacao) and PJ4/G4MFW (Bonaire)

QSL via 9V1FJ. [TNX QRZ DX]

D64K ---> The website for the August DXpedition to the Comoro Islands [425DXN 1091] is now up and running at www.d64k.com.

PY0S ---> Cesar, PY2YP reports he has received a few more St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks logs to be added to the dedicated page at www.py2yp.com [425DXN 1092]. They are ZY0SA & ZY0SB (1987) and PW0PP & PY0RO (1978).

QSL VIA G3TEV ---> Mike, G3TEV says that "due to the vastly increased postal charges" [425DXN 1091], from 1 May "the minimum postage for a direct card from the UK will be $2 or 1 IRC. I am afraid that unless this amount is included, cards will be returned via the bureau". Mike is the QSL manager for 9J2BO.

ST0R ---> During last weekend's International DX Convention (Visalia), the ST0R team was honoured as the DXpedition of the Year as voted upon by the membership of the Northern California DX Club. The Intrepid-DX Group and the DX Friends/Tifariti Gang and very proud of this honour and are actively working on future plans for further DXpeditions together. [TNX N6PSE]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3D2T, 3V8BB, 4J3M, 403A, 4S7NE, 5H3EE, 5R8VB, 603A, 6Y0A, 6Y1V, 7Q7VB, 7X4AN, 7Z1SJ, 8P5A, 8P5Y, 8P9WH, 9J2RI, 9M6/OH2YY (AS-051), 9M6XRO, 9N8Z, 9N7BM, 9Q6AL, 9Y4LAS, 9Y4NW, A4X5R, A71BU, BVOJ, C21HA, C31CT, C37N, C5YK, C6AKM, C6ATA, C6AZZ, C91NW, CP4BT, CX5TR, D2EB, DU1/F4BKV (OC-244), E21YDP, E51YNB, E51YNB, E51Z, EA6SX, EA9/G3TXF, EK6TA, EX2T, EX8MLE, FG5DH, FK8CP, FM/F6AUS, FRI1GZ, GM7R, H40FN, HG1S, H13K, HK1R, HU2DX, J38UN, J6/K9CJM, JX50, KL7AC, KP2/AB1NL, KP2M, KP2TM, LR2F, LX8RRTY, MJ/K8PT, OA4S5, OH02, OZ/DH8WW (EU-172), P40L, P40W, P40YL, P41P, P49V, P49X, P49Y, PA/ON5TC (EU-146), PJ2T, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/WA1Z, PJ4R, PJ4Z, PJ5/DL7VOG, PJ7PT, PS5F (SA-088), PV2PC (SA-028), P25RO, RA2PF, RI1FJA, RL3A, SV2ASP/A, SV9MBH, T2T, T46A, T51W, TLOA, TLOCW, TL0CN, T02T, T03A, T04M, TX3T (OC-046), TX6T/p (OC-063), TX7M (OC-027), V21ZG, V31AT, V31RR, V31SG (NA-073), V31TP, V44KAI, V55V, V73NS, VK0TH, VK100WIA, VK9N/L1RIS, VP2EC, VP5/W5CW, VP5OU, VP6T, VU2ELJ, XF1AA (NA-189), XT2IVU, XU7DLH, XW0ZJZ, XW3DT, XW4XR, YB1AR, YB8XM (OC-070), YI1R2, YN2CC, ZD7VC, ZD7XF, ZD8W, ZD8XF, ZD8Z, ZF2AH, ZL8X.
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