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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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5H - OK2WM, OM4AZF, OM5MF, OM5ZW and SP9LJD will be active as 5H4WZ from Pemba Island (AF-063), Tanzania on 6-18 February. They will operate CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8 on 160-10 metres, and will participate in the CQ WPX RTTY (8-9 February) and the ARRL DX CW (15-16 February) contests. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or via OM3PA. [TNX DX World]

CE0Y - Oleh, KD7WPJ will be active as CE0Y/UR5BCP from Easter Island (SA-001) on 26-31 December. He will operate SSB, CW, FT8 & FT4 on 60-6 metres. QSL via KD7WPJ (direct or bureau); his digital QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX NG3K]

DL - Special callsign DL100BKW will be active throughout 2020 to mark the 100th anniversary of the first broadcast transmission from the Radio Station Koenigs Wusterhausen (22 December 1920), which is regarded as the birth of statutorily regulated broadcasting in Germany (https://100jahrerundfunk.de/english/). QSL via Club log's OQRS; paper QSLs are not needed. A certificate will be available, see qrz.com for information.

E4 - Russian Robinson Club's members R5EC, R7AL, RA1ZZ and RW9JZ will be active as E44RU from near Jericho, Palestine on 6-12 January. They will operate CW, SSB, FT8 (Fox & Hound) on 160-10 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS and LoTW. See https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/e44ru for more information.

F - Francois, F8DVD will be active as TM70TAAF on 12-26 January. QSL via home call (direct or bureau), and LoTW. The special callsign commemorates the 70th anniversary of first QSOs made on the amateur radio bands by stations operating from the Terres Australes et Antarctiques Francaises (the French Southern and Antarctic Lands). The stations involved in early 1950 were FB8AX from Adelie Land (Antarctica), FB8XX from the Kerguelen Islands and FB8ZZ from Amsterdam Island.

HC - HC3AGT is the callsign used by Antonio, EA5RM while in Loja, Ecuador. In his spare time he operates SSB and digital modes on 40-10 metres. Antonio will remain in the country until 5 January [425DXN 1489], with possible activity also from Guayaquil (HC2). QSL via home call.

OZ - Volker, DJ8VW is active as 5P8VW from Romo Island (EU-125) until 21 December. He operates SSB, CW and FT8 on 160-6 metres. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, eQSL, or via DJ8VW.

TF - Col, MM0NDX as TF/OJ0Y (QSL via EB7DX and LoTW) and Jonathan, MM0OKG as TF/MM0OKG (QSL via LoTW) will be active from Iceland (EU-021) from 31 December to 2 January. They will operate CW, SSB and FT8 on 80-20 metres, and possibly on 160m. [TNX DX World]

UA9 - Special callsign R95WURC is active on 12-25 December to celebrate the 95th anniversary of UFA Radio Club and the beginning of amateur

radio in the Republic of Bashkortostan (R9W). Also active in the same period are R95WBZ, R95WFT, R95WGK, R95WJV, RW95WJ and RX95WN. A certificate will be available on https://r9w.hamlog.ru/.

VU - Once again the West Bengal Radio Club will provide assistance during the Ganga Sagar Mela on Sagar Island (AS-153). This is the annual gathering of Hindu pilgrims to take a holy dip in the Ganges, where the river merges with the Bay of Bengal. Expect some activity on he HF bands as 8T2G on 10-17 January. QSL via VU2NRO.

ZF - Vicky, AE9YL as ZF2YL and Carl, K9LA as ZF2LA will be active from the Cayman Islands (NA-016) on 13-16 December, including operation during the ARRL 10 Meter Contest. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

CARIBBEAN TOUR ---> Mike, VE7ACN will be active as KP4/AA7CH from Vieques Island (NA-249) from 31 January to 5 February, and as FS/RW0CN from the main island of Saint Martin (NA-105) between 9 and 16 February. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres, plus 160m if local conditions allow. Operations from Saint Martin might include a couple of one-day side trips to Tintamarre Island (NA-199), where he will sign FS/VE7ACN battery powered from dawn to dusk only. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via VE7ACN (direct or bureau).

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CHAD 2020 ---> Having received "the required security clearance", Silvano, I2YSB and the Italian DXpedition Team (http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/) have announced their plans to be active from Ndjamena, Chad as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and TT8XX (FT8) "around mid-2020". Details are expected in due course. Originally planned to take place in February-March 2019, the DXpedition had to be put on hold for security reasons. [TNX I2YSB]

IDXC 2020 ---> Registration for the 71st Annual International DX Convention, to be held on 24-26 April at the Wyndham Hotel in Visalia (CA) will open on 16 December: http://www.dxconvention.org/

RAEM CONTEST ---> The 48th RAEM Contest (http://raem.srr.ru/en/main/) will be held on 22 December, from 00.00 UTC until 11.59 UTC, on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres CW. Organized by the Russian Amateur Radio Union (SRR), this annual event memorializes Ernst T. Krenkel (1903-1971), the legendary Arctic explorer and radioman (callsign RAEM) on various polar stations and on the first drifting ice station North Pole-1.

WRC-19: REGION 1 50 MHZ AMATEUR ALLOCATIONS ---> IARU has released a more detailed report (see https://www.iaru-r1.org/) on the outcome of Agenda Item 1.1 (50 MHz) at the recent World Radiocommunication Conference in Egypt.
The IARU position was to seek a 4 MHz primary allocation in Region 1 in common with that in other ITU regions. Proposals from administrations and Regional Telecommunications Organisations around the world ranged from no allocation at all to the provision of a 4 MHz primary allocation.
The table at http://www.iaru-r1.org/wiki/VHF#50-54_MHz_.286_m.29 ("Overview of 50 MHz status in ITU Region 1") is IARU's understanding of the position on 50 MHz allocations in Region 1 before and after WRC-19. The definitive position is the responsibility of individual national administrations.
Provisions of the ITU Regulations, as revised by WRC-19, shall enter into force on 1 January 2021, however administrations may make provisions to provide 50 MHz spectrum at an earlier or later date. Unless already licensed to do so, individual amateurs should not use the newly allocated spectrum until their national licensing authority has given the go ahead for its use.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 5K0K (NA-033), 8R1/AH0G, 9G5AR, 9H6A, 9U3TMM, A35JT, AP2AM, BW2/JP1RIW, C21WW, C5DL, D4C, D73G (AS-148), EA9ACD, ES3AX, EV19CYC, FK8GX, FK8HA, HD8M, HP1AVS, JI3CEY/0 (AS-206), JT1CO, K5P (NA-089), KH0/KC0W, KH6ZM, KL7/NC6K, KL7RA, LU1DX, LY30A, N5C (NA-082), OJ0MR, P29LL, PJ2/KY7M, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4A, PJ4K, SN1944W, T30L (OC-017), T42T, T88SM, TZ4AM, V26K, V47T, V6K (OC-059), VP2V/DL7VTX, VP2V/N5AQ, VP2VEM, XT2BR, YB8UTI (OC-209), YJ0CA, ZS6CCY,

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