With reference to the QSL of Pratas Island [425DXN 242] Steve, KU9C reports to be currently in possession of the logs of the March 1994 and May-June 95 operations. The logs of the first operation should arrive in a while. The cards sent to the address in the Callbook (P.O.Box 5953, Parsippany, NJ 07054 USA) or to that publicized in occasion of the expedition (12 Netherton Terrace, Morristown, NJ 07960, USA) should be all in the hands of Steve. Around 20,000 QSLs for BV9P (elaborated in such a way to confirm all of the three activations) are to be printed: Steve hopes that as soon as the cards are delivered to him, he can reply to all the direct requests in within fifteen days. Those who enclosed to the Pratas requests other stations of which Steve is manager, will have to wait for Steve getting those logs.

4L - From 4 to 18 January Sergey, UA6JR/3 will activate Georgia for the first time via satellite with the call 4L1R. The frequencies are 145,885 (AO10) and 145,890 (AO13).

9H - DL4ML will be active until December 31 as 9H3MJ.

9K - In March Tom, 9K2ZC and his wife Donna, 9K2YY will leave Kuwait. 9K2YY is the only woman in possession of a license issued in Kuwait. Tom and Donna are both regularly active on 20 SSB meters (14.195-14.220 MHz), usually between 15.00 and 16.00 UTC. QSL via KC4ELO (Raymond H. McClure, 674 Crestlyn Drive, North Augusta, SC 29841, USA).

9M2 - Tex, JA0DMV/9M2TO is currently active from Penang Island (AS-015). Operations on 17, 30, 40 and 80 meters. QSL via Tex Izumo, Bukit Dumbar Apt 9-4, 97 Jalan Thomas 11700, Gelugor, Penang, Malaysia or via bureau to JA0DMV.

9X - Mark, ON4WW is currently in Belgium, but at the end of January he should return to Ruanda, where he hopes to find an amplifier to improve performances on the low bands. QSL by ON5NT.

EA4 - On 14 January EA4ENK/p will be active from Isla la Trompeta (DIEI BA-02). QSL via EA5OL.

EA4 - On 21 January EA4ENK/p will be active from Isla El Ciego (DIEI BA-10). QSL via EA5OL.

EA5 - On 29 and 30 December EC5CPL/p will be active from Isla Mata de Les Piules (DIEI V-13).

EA5 - On 28 January EA5AEI/p will be active from Isla Mata del Fang
EA5 - On 14 January EA5AEI/p will be active from Isla Mata d'En Torre (DIEI V-32). QSL via EA5OL.

FR - From 1 to 19 January Albert, F6EDF, will be in Reunion Island, from where he will be active with his old call, FR5AK, or as FR/F6EDF. Due to problems with antenna installation, operations only on 20 meters, probably on 14.190 MHz (split 5 up).

HI - From January 16 to February 6 DF5WA/HI8 will be active from Dominican Republic. The operations will be in CW, SSB and RTTY on all the bands, 160 meters included. QSL via home call (Berthold Faisst, Hegelstr. 3, D-55122 Mainz, Germany).

HK0_sa - From 9 to 24 January, Wolfgang, DF4UW, will be portable HK0 from Santa Catalina Island, a small island near Providencia Island (NA-049). QSL via DF4UW.

JD - The activity of Eiji, JQ1SUO/JD1 from Ogasawara [425DXN 238] is particularly on 20 SSB meters (between 07.30 and 09.00 UTC) and on 40 meters CW and SSB (at abt 14.00 UTC). Eiji has installed a 10 meters antenna and he will try to be active on that band, as well as on 80 meters, between 21.00 and 21.24 UTC (time of local sunrise).

KH2 - From 5 to 12 January Garth, VE3HO will be in Guam for work, but he could devote some hour to the radio.

LU_so - The operators of the station LU6Z [425DXN 241 & 242], active from South Orkneys, are LU1ZPF and LU6LO. The station, up to this moment active mainly in CW on 40 and 80 meters, uses 2 Kw of power, on a four element beam and on wire antennas for the low bands. A beacon has also been installed on 28,250 MHz. The operators will be at the Antarctic Base up to early February. QSL via LU6EF (Raul Marcelo Diaz, P.O.Box 9. 1875 Wilde, Argentina).

P4 - From February 15 to March 20 Martin, VE3MR and his wife Truus, VE3MRS will be active from Aruba respectively as P40MR and P40TR. The operations will also take place on 12 and 17 meters SSB. QSL via home calls.

PY - From 8 to 12 January, Roberto PT2GTI, Paul PT2NP and Jorge PT2HF will be active as ZW6C (SSB) and ZX6C (CW) from Coroa Vermelha Isl. (IOTA SA-062, DIB-32). The operations will be from 10 to 80 meters, WARC bands included. QSL via PT2GTI: Roberto Stuckert POB 09647, 70001-970 Brasilia, DF, Brazil.

S21 - Andy, S21YE will be active from Bangladesh for more than a year. SSB operations on all bands. QSL via GOEHX.

TG - From 1 to 10 January David, K4TT will be active from Guatemala as
TG9IDK. Mainly CW activity from 10 to 40 meters. QSL via home call.

TN - Hazel, AL7OT/TN7OT will leave Congo in April. Hazel is not likely to fix the radio, which is currently broken, before the departure. Hazel will start to reply to QSLs once returned home.

V2 - Hrana, YT1AD will join to the ARRL Phone Contest (2-3 March) in the single operator all bands category with the V26AS call. Before and after the contest he will be active in CW on the WARC bands. QSL via home call.

VK9_ck - From 14 to 23 February Joerg (DL8WPX), Dietmar (DL3DXX), Falk (DK7YY) and Juergen (DL7UFN) will be active from Cocos Keeling with the VK9CR call. All bands operations from 6 to 160 meters, in CW, SSB and via satellite. Particular attention will be given to low bands. QSL via DK7NP (Rudi Hein, Am Uferholz 7, D-96047 Bamberg, Germany).

VK9_xms - From 4 to 13 February Joerg (DL8WPX), Dietmar (DL3DXX), Falk (DK7YY) and Juergen (DL7UFN) will be active from Christmas Isl with the VK9XY call. All bands operations from 6 to 160 meters, in CW, SSB and via satellite. Particular attention will be given to low bands. QSL via DK7NP (Rudi Hein, Am Uferholz 7, D-96047 Bamberg, Germany).

VU - From 1 to 15 January Norbert, DJ9RB will be active from southern India with the call VU2/DJ9RB. The operations will be mainly on 80 (3.509-3.513 MHz) and 160 meters (1.824-1.825 MHz or 1.903 MHz) CW.

W1 - During the weekend Mark AA1AC, is active from Aquidneck Island (NA-031).

ZA - ZA5B (and not ZA5G, as wrongly reported in 425DXN 242) is the Albanian call of TL8NGC. He is from Arizona and is now in Scutari, where he should stay until September. He is particularly active on the low bands and soon he will be active on 160 meters also. QSL via WA1ECA.

ZB2 - From 2 to 8 January, Martin, IK3RIY and Veronica, IK3ZAW will be portable ZB2 from Gibraltar. QSL via IK3RIY: Martino Rizzi, Via 4 Fontane 3/B, 30126 Lido di Venezia, Italy.

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>>>>>> LADY MUSGRAVE ISLAND <<<<<<

This island, from which Bill, VK4CRR/P, was active on 11 September, is not part of the Corals Sea Islands Territory, an Australian administrative division, whose southern limit runs more of 100 kilometers of distance from Lady Musgrave. The island (23.50S 152.23E), included in the Bunker Group, depends therefore from the state of Queensland and for what concerns IOTA, it is located in the QUEENSLAND STATE (SOUTH COAST) CENTRE group (OC-142). The CORAL SEA ISLANDS TERRITORY group is currently unnumbered.

>>>>>> OPERATIONS FROM MEXICAN ISLANDS <<<<<<

The IOTA Committee ascertained that the current Mexican licenses issued to foreign amateurs forbid operations from the Mexican islands. This restriction is also valid for the licenses issued on the basis of the reciprocal agreements between United States and Mexico. Those who want to operate from
an island must have the specific permission from the government authority (the Secretaria de Comunicaciones y Transportes). It is believed that to get this authorization at least the 50 per cent of the operators must be Mexicans. In future the IOTA Committee, before accepting any activity for the IOTA, will ask the operators to provide this specific permission.

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With 1996 425 DX NEWS turns five years old of life, comforted by a success that flatters us and spurs us to go on. Our - and your - enthusiasm meets with a series of objective problems, first of all the difficulty cope the hours and the needed attention to the layout of the bulletin with the daily work and family commitments of the editors and the contributors. Moreover in these last months the dimensions of the bulletin have considerably grown, to justify not a reduction of the "pages," but a different distribution. Beginning from January 425 DX News will be therefore divided up into two parts, each of them to be published every 15 days. The heading will not be unchanged, as well as the numeration, that will go on without interruptions. Simply, one week 425 DX News will provide the DX information, with the "Good to know" section, while the following week the section "Managers & Addresses" will be published (together with any possible DX info of particular importance).

We hope that the solution adopted meets the favour of the many readers who every week read 425 DX News. A warm "thank you" to all the friends who, in sending us with constancy information and advices, allow the bulletin to live and to improve, changing at the demands of the readers.

HI3CVV---> This is the call used by DL1GKG/HI3 and DL2GGA/HI3 during the CQ WW CW Contest, during which they logged about 8000 QSO. QSL by DL2GGA. For the contacts with DL1GKG/HI3 and DL2GGA/HI3, QSL via home call.

N7RO---> Dick reports to receive QSL requests for EK6LF, EK7M and EK8WB. Dick is not the manager of these stations and the cards will therefore be returned to the sender direct or via bureau.

FO---> Ron, N6VO reports that in French Polinesia there is a new procedure for the release of the temporary licenses, which are now issued in 24 hours and are valid for a month. Once to Papeete, go to the High Commissioners Office and ask of Christian Clary from PTT Cells - produce a copy of the
your amateur radio license, the passport, a list of the equipments with the numbers of series and the list of places from where you will operate.

ON4WW/ 9X6 9X4WW ---> Ghis, ON5NT is in possession of all the logs for the operations of Mark, ON4WW from Ruanda (around 31,000 QSOs). The QSL of the first operation (April–June 1995) are ready and the requests will be soon replied. The QSL for the second activity (September–December 1995) will be printed at the beginning of 1996.

S79JD ---> Jean-Michel, F6AJA, has received the logs for this activity and while waiting for the cards from the printer, is typing the QSOs in the computer.

8R1K ---> QSL route for 1995 SSB & CW, 1994 SSB and 1993 SSB CQ WW DX Contest operations is via OH6DO Callbook Address in Finland. If you have already sent via previous route OH1VL, no need to mail again, they will be answered too.

QSL QSL QSL ---> IK8SMZ (Sandro Spallone, Box 64. 86170 Isernia-IS) is the manager for Sergio, 5N9RGP (active also with the special calls 5N34RGP and 5N35RGP), for David, 4L4ND and for Avto 4L7AT (for these latter two stations Sandro has still to receive the logs).

+++ SILENT KEY +++ We sadly report of the passing of Sid E. Molen VK2SG, 76 years old, succumbed to a heart attack, Friday 29 December. In the early Seventies Sid was a co-founder, along with Bill, VK2EG, of the Australian National Amateur Radio Teleprinter Society (ANARTS). They subsequently started the weekly RTTY DX Notes that, renamed the VK2SG RTTY DX Notes in 1993, will continue to be generated by the present group of rotating editors I5FLN WB2CJL and W2JGR.
...that's all folks!

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