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1A0 - From 26 to 30 December 1A0KM will be active again (all modes & all bands).

3B8 - Laurent, F5PYI will be active (10-80 metres SSB/CW) as 3B8/F5PYI until 3 January.

3W - From 30 dicembre to 5 gennaio Unni, LA6RHA (JW6RHA) will be visiting Vietnam. She hopes to be cative as 3W6RHA. QSL via LA6RHA.

7O - Xavier, EA3BHK reports that Zorro, JH1AJT announced to have been invited by the local authorities to visit Yemen again in 1997 (possibly in late April).

9X - Mark, ON4WW/9X4WW will stay in Belgium till 28 December. Once back in Kigali, due to local circumstances, he will operate only on 14118 (SSB and CW) and 1827.5 kHz. Skeds for 160 metres will be possible on 14118 and via ON4UN). QSL via ON5NT.

BS7 - From 2 to 11 May OH2BH, OH2MM, OH1RY, SM7PKK, N7NG, W6EU, JA1BK, BZ1HAM, OH0XX and two operators from Spain will be active from Scarborough Reef.

CE_ant - Juan Carlos, CE9OH is active from Chilean Antarctic base Bernardo O'Higgins (WABA CE-02).

EA - On 29 December (weather permitting) EA5YH/P will be active from Mitjana Island (DIE E-046). QSL via home call.

EA - During the weekend EA1BEY/p will be active from lighthouse de Somos (FEA D-1586). QSL via EA1BEY.

EA - During the second or third weekend in January EA1BT/p will be active from lighthouse Punta de San Anton (Llanes) (FEA D-1582), QSL via QSL via EA1BT.

FR - F6AFJ will be active (20 and 15 metres SSB) as FR5GM until 15 February.

FR - On 26 and December Peter, ON6TT and Arie, PA3DUU might be active from Reunion as FR/home call, because the TO0R call [425DXN 293] is

valid as of 28 December only.

FT_ant - The station FT5YP is currently active (CW and SSB) from Les Petrels (AN-017).

GW - The MW6Z (call to be confirmed) team will particiŠate in the IOTA Contest 1997 from Anglesey (EU-124).

HR - Bob, KS9W and Jerry, K9BG will be active from Honduras from 8 through 15 January. HR3/K9BG will operate primarily CW and HR3/KS9W will operate CW/RTTY (SSB activity will be minimal). Opretaions will take place on all bands from 10 through 160 metres. QSL via their respective home calls.

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I - On 29 December (weather permitting) some operators from the Salento DX Team will be IJ7/ from Isola del Capezzone (EU-091, IIA LE-004). QSL via their respective home calls. Operations from Isola Pazzi (IIA LE-006), Scoglio Tondo (IIA LE-013) and Scoglio Terra (IIA LE-029) are scheduled for January and February.

KC4_ant- Steve and Glen are two operators who are going to be active as KC4USL from US Antarctic base Dome Charlie (WABA K-02) on Wilken Land.

KC4_ant- KL7RL/KC4 has been heard transmitting from multinational Antarctic bese Mount Vinson (WABA MN-02) on Ellsworth Land. Art is going to return to multinational base Patriot Hills (MN-01), where he will stay for 45 days.

KH2 - Jim, KH2D will be active on 160 metres (1.828 MHz from 8 to 15 UTC) for the next months. Jim will try to be QRV for Europe at about 20.30 UTC. QSL via K8NA (not N8NA, 425DXN 294).

OA_ssh - OA0MP is active from Peruvian Antarctic base antartica Machu Picchu (WABA OA-01) on King George Island, South Shetlands (AN-010).

PY - From 29 to 31 December PY8JA/p will be active (SSB and CW) from Atalaia Island (DIB-60). QSL via P.O.Box 5056, 66601.970 Belem, PA, Brazil or through the bureau.

PY0_sp - Karl, PS7KM (ZY0SK) and Tino, PT7AA (ZY0SG) will be active from St. Peter & St. Paul Rocks in January. Operations should start around 25 January (the actual date depends on transportation) and last for two or three weeks. Activity will take place on all bands (160 metres excluded), SSB & CW. QSL via PT7AA (for CW) and PS7KM (for SSB).

SM_ant - In mid-January Henry, VE0HSS will visit and try to be active from Swedish Antarctic base Wasa (WABA SM-01) on Princess Martha Coast.

TI9 - TI4CF's activity from Coco's Island [425DXN 292] has been postponed to 4 January.

UA_ant - Peter (a Russian operator) and Henry (a visitor from Canada) are active from R1ANW [425DXN 294]. They are QRV for Europe from 18 to 24 UTC and for North America from 00 to 04 UTC.

VK0_m - Tom Stoke, VK0TS arrived on Macquarie on 17 December. He will try to be as active as possible (it depends on his workload). He may be found on 14.222 MHz.

VP8_ant- VP8CPG is active from British Antarctic base Rothera (WABA G-07) on Adelaide Island (AN-001).

W - Ray, AD4LX will be active from FL-301S (USI Programme) starting on 30 December through 2 January.

XE - From 3 to 5 January Hector, XE1BEF will be active from Clarion Isl. (NA-115) as 4F4C or 6F4C. CW/SSB/RTTY operations will take place from 10 to 160 metres, WARC bands included. QSL via home call.

XT - Hugolin, XT2HB is a newly licensed amateur in Burkina Faso. He can be found at about 17.30 UTC on 14.120 MHz and during the weekends at 7.30 UTC on 14.225 MHz. QSL via XT2HB (Hugolin, Dep. 01, B.P. 6397 Ougadougou. Burkina Faso, West Africa).

YB - From 3 to 5 January YB0RX and a couple of other operators will be active from Tukangbesi islands (OC-???) [425DXN 291] possibly with the call 8B8WI. Operations are expected to take place from 10 to 80 metres (only SSB for the time being).

YB - Flavio, IK2IQD reports that from 21 to 23 February YB1XUR and other three operators will be active from Pukangbesi Island (NO-REF) possibly with a special call. QSL via YC8KAR.

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While waiting for the Italian Most Wanted Countries List, scheduled for January, the following is the List compiled by the Northern Portugal DX Group (NPDXG) on the basis of the information coming from the Portuguese DXers.

PORTUGUESE DXERS' MOST WANTED COUNTRIES LIST
DECEMBER 1996

Rank	DXCC Country	Prefix	% Need Rank
1	North Korea	P5	100
2	Heard Island	VK0/h	85,7
3	Palmyra	KH5	80,9
4	Willis Island	VK9W	76,1
5	MacQuarie Isl.	VK0/m	75,7
6	Auckland/Campbell	ZL9	73,8
7	Banaba Island	T33	72,5
8	Bouvet Island	3Y/b	71,4
9	Kingman Reef	KH5k	70,0
10	Andaman/Nicobar	VU4	69,0
11	Central Kiribati	T31	66,6
12	Wake Island	KH9	66,2
13	Buthan	A5	64,2
14	Agalega/S.Brandon	3B6	64,0
15	Baker/Howland	KH1	63,8
16	Tokelau	ZK3	63,2
17	Midway	KH4	62,0
18	Amsterdam/St.Paul	FT5/z	61,9

19	Kermadec	ZL8	60,2
20	Pagalu	3C0	59,5
21	Kure Island	KH7	57,1
22	Yemen	7O	54,7
23	North Cook	ZK1/n	51,5
24	Rodriguez Island	3B9	50,0
25	Clipperton Island	FO/x	49,8
26	Tromelin	FR/t	49,5
27	Ogasawara	JD1/o	49,1
28	Mellish Reef	VK9M	48,7
29	Laos	XW	48,0
30	Myanmar/Burma	XZ	47,7
31	Conway Reef	3D2/c	47,6
32	Nauru	C2	47,1
33	Belau	KC6	46,8
34	Minami Torishima	JD1/m	45,2
35	Laccadives	VU7	43,6
36	Spratly Islands	1S	42,8
37	Eritrea	E3	42,5
38	Crozet Island	FT/w	42,1
39	Kerguelen Island	FT/x	41,9
40	Christmas Island	VK9X	41,2
41	South Sandwich	VP8/sa	41,0
42	Pr. Edward/Marion	ZS8	40,8
43	Peter I Island	3Y/p	40,4
44	Juan de Nova Isl.	FR/j	40,1
45	South Sudan	ST0	39,6
46	South Georgia	VP8/g	38,5
47	Malpelo Island	HK0/m	38,0
48	Cocos Keeling	VK9C	37,2
49	South Orkney	VP8/o	36,5
50	San Felix Islands	CE0x	35,7
51	S.Peter&Paul Rocks	PY0S	34,9
52	Kampuchea	XU	33,5
53	Vietnam	XV	33,3
54	Nepal	9N	33,0
55	Bangladesh	S2	32,4
56	Aves Island	YV0	31,6
57	Maldives	8Q	30,9
58	Iran	EP	30,5
59	Glorioso Island	FR/g	30,3
60	Sudan	ST	30,0
61	Cocos Island	TI9	29,7
62	Congo	TN	29,5
63	Afghanistan	YA	28,9
64	Guinea Equatorial	3C	28,5
65	Sable Island	CY0	28,4
66	Comoros	D6	28,0
67	Market Reef	OJ0	27,6
68	Mount Athos	SV/a	27,2
69	Somalia	T5	26,8
70	Syria	YK	26,4
71	S.M.O.M.	1A0	26,1

72	Malyj Vysotskij	4J1	25,9
73	Lybia	5A	24,4
74	Jan Mayen	JX	22,9
75	Tristan da Cunha	ZD9	22,0
76	Togo	5V	21,4
77	Burundi	9U	20,4
78	Juan Fernandez	CE0z	19,0
79	Benin	TY	18,7
80	Guinea Konakri	3X	16,6
81	Rwanda	9X	16,3
82	Trindade Island	PY0T	16,0
83	East Kiribati	T32	15,7
84	Chad	TT	15,2
85	S.M.B. Cyprus	ZC4	14,9
86	Niue Island	ZK2	14,5
87	Uganda	5X	14,2
88	Western Samoa	5W	14,0
89	Tonga	A3	13,5
90	St.Paul Island	CY9	13,4
91	Wallis/Futuna	FW	12,8
92	Macau	XX9	12,0
93	Rotuma Island	3D2/r	11,9
94	Madagascar	5R	11,4
95	Scarborough Reef	BS7	11,1
96	Ethiopia	ET	10,7
97	Djibouti	J2	10,5
98	Tuvalu	T2	10,2
99	West Kiribati	T30	9,6
100	Iraq	YI	9,0

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********** GOOD TO KNOW ... **********
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BOUVET ISLAND ---> Tony Deprato, WA4JQS (Director of Operations, South Sandwich Island Antarctic DX Group) reports the following: "The paper work for the South Sandwich Island DX Group's Bouvet Island DXpedition [425DXN 267, ed. note] is going along very well. Permission had been received for a December 1997 landing date, but with the possible establishment of a CCAMLR (Convention of the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Lining Resources) ecosystem monitoring program being set up on the island and taking effect in October 1997 problems could arise just before departure time with permission to land. The South Sandwich Group has reapplied for a 1998 season landing date also so that they would have time to work with any new requirements that the CCAMLR group should request. Many requests by the JA-operators for us to postpone our landing till 1998, so that the 28 MHz band opening to JA would be greater, was also a big factor in the new date request."

HEARD ISLAND DXPEDITION: REFLECTOR ---> The Heard reflector is now online! It will be the main perum in which DXers can participate in the expedition. Through the reflector, the audience will be able to pass the team their feedback. It will be the focal point per all updates and feedback coming from the expedition team on the island. The expedition members on the island will not be on the reflector, but all inpermation to and from the island will be channeled through the pilot stations. The reflector will cater to free flow discussions (tips, recommendations, questions and answers, etc) between DXers and the expedition's pilots. The first step to subscribe to the Heard reflector is to send Email to heard-request@ve7tcp.ampr.org (put in the body: subscribe).

HEARD ISLAND DXPEDITION: PILOT STATIONS ---> The Heard Island expedition uses the Pilot Station concept, idea by W0CP, and extensively used during the Peter 1 expedition, to stay in contact with the DX-community. The pilot stations have daily contact with the H.I. expedition (via PACSAT). The communication between the pilots and the DX-community will take place via the Internet, Packet (BBS and DX Clusters) and daily info nets on 75 metres. There are five pilot stations in the US, one in Europe and one in Japan: N1DG (Don Greenbaum, ex WB2DND; E-mail: n1dg@aurumtel.com; PBBS: N1DG@NS1N.MA.USA.NA; DX-Cluster: K1AJ) for USA North East, North America (except USA), South America; W0EK, (Bob Bruner, ex WD0AEK; E-mail: bbruner@upstel.net; PBBS: W0EK@NF0H.Mn.USA.NA; DX Cluster: K0IR) for USA Midwest & North; K0EU (Randy Martin; E-mail: randymartn@aol.com; DX-cluster: KY0A) for USA Mid-West & South; W4WW (Scotty Neustadter, ex N4PYD; E-mail: scotty@iquest.com; PBBS: W4WW@K4BFT#HSV.AL.USA.NA; DX-Cluster: W4NS) for USA South East; W2IJ (Jay Kobelin, ex WA2FIJ/6; E-mail: pcb4u@ix.netcom.com; DX-Cluster: N7QQ) for USA West Coast and Oceania; ON4UN (John Devoldere; E-mail: john.devoldere@innet.be; PBBS: ON4UN@ON4AWP.BEL.EU; DX-cluster: ON4DXK) for Europe & Africa; JH1ROJ (Isao Numaguchi; E-mail: isaonuma@nisiq.net; DX-cluster: JH1ROJ) for Japan and Asia.

HEARD ISLAND DXPEDITION: INFO NETS ---> The schedules are as follow (frequencies are +/- QRM): at 2 UTC on 3.850 Mhz (East coast; call: W4WW and N1DG); at 4 UTC on 3.850 MHz (Mid West & West Coast; call: K0EU, W0EK and W2IJ); at 12 UTC on 3.804 MHZ or 14.145 MHz (Japan; call: JH1ROJ or JH1ORA); at 22 UTC on 3.780 MHz (EUrope; call: ON4UN).

HEARD ISLAND DXPEDITION: THE TEAM ---> The final list of participants in the VK0IR team include: EA8AFJ (Michel Sabatino), HB9AFI (Kurt Wetter), HB9AHL (Willy Rusch), HB9BHW (Hans Burki), K0IR (Ralph Fedor), K4UEE (Bob Allphin), K9AJ (Mike McGirr), KK6EK (Bob Schmieder), N6EK (Bob Fabry), N6MZ (Michael Mraz), NP4IW (Carlos Nascimento), OE9AMJ (Arno Metzler), ON5NT (Ghis Penny), ON6TT (Peter Casier), PA3DUU (Arie Nugteren), RA3AUU (Harry Booklan), VK2JDM (VK2TQM, David Muller), W8FMG (Wes Lamboley), W0GJ (WA0PUJ, Glenn Johnson), W3VN (WA3YVN, Al Hernandez), 9V1YC (James Brooks).

JA POSTAGE ---> Current basic postal charges from Japan to the rest of the world are as follows: 90 yen (zone 1: Asia, North Pacific), 110 yen (zone 2: North America, Oceania, Russian Asia, Near/Middle Oriente, Europe), 130 yen (zone 3: South America, Africa). One US$ is about 110-113 yen and 1 IRC is 150 yen. Printed matter postage is 70/90/120 yen (20/25/50 grammes, zone 1),

80/110/150 yen (20/25/50 grammes, zone 2), 90/130/170 yen (20/25/50 grammes, zone 3). Ship mail (to any country) postage is 90 yen (20 grammes), 160 yen (50 grammes), 270 yen (100 grammes).
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ODXG ---> The newly founded Oceania Radio DX Group is planning an activity from Willis in 1997 and from Macquarie in 1998 or 1999.

QSL DE W6/G0AZT ---> Eddie, W6/G0AZT (P.O.Box 5194, Richmond, CA 94805, USA) is the QSL manager for the following activities: ZF1RY, P40RY, TY1RY, 8R1TT, 3V8BB (RTTY only, 8-13 October 1996); VK9LZ, VK9LX and VK9NM (Lord Howe, 20-29 September 1995); VP5/ P4/ C6A/ VP9/ V2/ and VP2M/G0AZT.

QSL 3C1DX ---> Teo, EA6BH/3C1DX mailed the first batch of 850 direct cards on 30 November. The second batch will be mailed on 30 December.

QSL 8R1K ---> Marko, OH6DO (AB6NJ/5) prefers QSLs for his operations as 8R1K during CQWW Contests being sent to his new address in Finland: Marko Myllymaki, Mehtokuja 10 B 3, 63700 Ahtari, Finland.

QSL FT5WE ---> Claude, F5GTW (QSL manager for Samuel, FT5WE) has sent out (either direct and through the bureau) some 7,000 QSL cards confirming contact made between 29 December 1995 and 29 August 1996. Claude is about receiving the logs for the period 30 August-5 November. Samule will be back home in March.

QSL HS50A ---> HS50A from AS-125 went QRT at 5 UTC of 15 December. Local problems caused a slow QSO rate during the weekend, but Koh Chang might be activated again in 1997. QSL cards will not be sebt until after 1 February (IOTA Honour Roll/Annual Listing upadte deadline).

QSL IU2D ---> As of WPX 1996 the new QSL manager is IK2EKY.

QSL J3 ---> Flavio, IV3TMV is the QSL manager for the operations by J38AI and J38AH. Cards are handled both dierect (Flavio Cian, Via Vittorio Alfieri 13, 33030 Bressa di Campoformido-UD) or through the bureau.

QSL TY1RY ---> Eddie,W6/G0AZT reports that due to circumstances beyond his control, QSL cards for TY1RY [425DXN 293] will not be available until after the New Year.

QSL XX9X ---> QSL cards for 1996 operations should be sent to Martti, OH2BH [425DXN 287]. QSLs for 1994 and 1995 activities are handled by Steve, KU9C.

QSL received via direct: 3DA0CA, 3V8BB (via G0AZT/W6), 4F3CV, 5R8FK, 5V7HR,

5V7ML, 9A8P (EU-090), 9H0A, 9M2TO, A35HC, C21NJ, CI3O (CISA ON-069, 197, 198, 199), CQ2I (EU-150), CY0AA, DS0DX/2 (AS-105), EI5CRC (EU-007), F5RUQ/p (EU-039), FP5CJ, FP5CW, FR5ZU/T, FT5WE, HC2/F6AUS (SA-034), HC4/F6AUS (SA-033), IA5/I2MWZ (EU-028; IIA LI-020), IA5/IK1GPG (EU-028; IIA LI-020), IA5/IK1NEG (EU-028; IIA LI-020), IA5/IK1QFM (EU-028; IIA LI-020),IB0/IK6JOT (EU-045; IIA LT-001, 002, 008), IC8/IK2PZG (EU-031; IIA NA-002, 009, 023, 024), ID9/I2VGW (EU-017; IIA ME-018), IH9/IK8BIZ (AF-018; IIA TP-001, 003), II1ARI, IL3/IK2GPQ (EU-131; IIA VE-024, 045), IL3/IK2PZG (EU-131; IIA VE-001, 007, 019, 020, 022, 024, 027, 028, 040, 041, 045), IL3/IV3EXV (EU-130; IIA GO-005, 008, 012, 014, 023, 026, 029), IL3/IV3JWR (EU-131; IIA GO-010, 017, 022), IM0JMA (EU-EU-024; IIA SS-138), IM0/IS0UPR (EU-024; IIA OR-008), IQ1TSM, J28JY, J59ON, J59KX, J8/DL9XAT, K9PPY/p (NA-192), NL7TB/p (NA-206), LU/IK1EDC (SA-022), LU/IK1EDC, TM5CHY (EU-039), PY0FM, V73AX, V85HN, VE8A (NA-207), NU2L/VE8 (NA-208), VK6ISL (OC-140), VK6ISL (OC-214), VP8CWI, VR2KF, YE8P (OC-146), XM3P, ZD7DP, ZD7WRG, ZD8Z.
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