Thanks to the over 300 DXers who, answering to the 425 DX News invitation, sent their most wanted through Packet, e-mail or snail mail. Thanks also to the "big guns" who, notwithstanding they contacted all the countries (except P5) expressed their appreciation about our initiative, offering useful suggestions for the future. The following list, which considers the 48 most wanted Countries, reports at first three places, as it was foreseeable, North Korea, Heard Island and Bhutan. This situation is to be changed by the forthcoming operations of VK0IR, which, if the expedition is succesful, will delete Heard from the Most Wanted list. About Scarborough Reef a probable activity on a grand scale is planned by OH2BH in May. No short-time activity from Bhutan, but for Auckland (presumably in the next first three Countries after the VK0IR operations) a DXpedition is on the way, planned for 1999, by ZL8RI group. Patience is a virtue – the Bouvet expedition, organized by the South Sandwich Island Antarctic DX Group, will not take place until December 1997 (but it is possible a delay to 1998), but it should be a successful one. Another imminent change should come from the forthcoming operations from St.Peter & St.Paul Rocks (currently at the 10th place).
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**VK0IR** - Due to a strike in France, the departure of the ship has been delayed. The team will sail from Reunion Island on 5 January in the afternoon. They will head directly to Heard Island and will not stop at Crozet. They will be QRV on schedule from Heard Island.

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**FO** - FO5PP/p is active (mainly on CW) from Rurutu (OC-050).

**I** - On 6 January (weather permitting) Tony, IK8VRH and other operators will be active as IK8UHA/IC8 from Scoglio dello Schiavone di Miniscola (IJA NA-???) or, alternatively, Scoglio dello Schiavone di Procida (EU-031, IJA NA-???). QSL via IK8VRH.

**JA** - From 2 to 4 January Hiro, JH4FBV will be /6 from Fukuejima, Goto Islands (AS-040) on 40, 20 and 15 metres (mainly CW). QSL via home call direct (Hironori Funahashi, 1-11-38 Hamanochoya, Kurashiki-city, Okayama, 710 Japan) or through the bureau.

**KG4** - Bill, WT4K and Rusty, KG4AU will participate in the ARRL RTTY Roundup Contest (4-5 January) as KG4GC. QSL via WT4K (ex KQ4GC) direct or through the bureau.

**TN** - TN7A will be active until 6-7 January. QSL via JH1NBN.

**W** - From 6 to 12 January Jim, AA3ID and his wife Dianne, N3GPF will be active from Hatteras Island (NA-067, USI NC-005S).

**ZD9** - WA2JUN, QSL manager for ZD7WRG, reports that Johnny (ZD7WRG) will not operate from Gough Island (AF-030) during his short visit [425DXN 291].

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### NEW IOTA REFERENCE NUMBERS ISSUED IN DECEMBER <<<

**OC-217** YB3 KANGEAN IS (Indonesia, YB3 islands, letter "e"), issued following the operations by YB3SFS/P.

**OC-218** FK MATTHEW ISLAND (New Caledonia, letter "e"), issued following the
operations by FK5M.

AS-125 HS GULF OF THAILAND NORTH EAST group (Thai islands, letter "a"), issued following the operations by HS50A from Koh Chang.

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Nordsee / North Sea

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N-001 EU-047 Borkum
N-002 EU-047 Lutje Horn
N-003 EU-047 Juist
N-004 EU-047 Memmert
N-005 EU-047 Norderney
N-006 EU-047 Baltrum
N-007 EU-047 Langeoog
N-008 EU-047 Spiekeroog
N-009 EU-047 Wangerooge
N-010 EU-047 Mellum
N-011 EU-127 Scharnhorn
N-012 EU-127 Neuwerk
N-013 EU-127 Trischen
N-014 EU-127 Helgoland
N-015 EU-127 Dune
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N-020 EU-042 Oland
N-021 EU-042 Grode-Appelland
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N-029 EU-042 Suderoog
N-030 EU-042 Sudfall
N-031 EU-042 Habel
N-032 EU-042 Japsand
Ostsee / Baltic Sea:

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O-001 EU-128 Fehmarn
O-002 EU-098 Poel
O-003 EU-nein Zingst
O-004 EU-057 ? Bock
O-005 EU-057 Hiddensee
O-006 EU-057 Ummanz
O-007 EU-057 Rugen
O-008 EU-057 Vilm
O-009 EU-nein Riems
O-010 EU-057 ? Koos
O-011 EU-057 Ruden
O-012 EU-057 Greifswalder Oie
O-013 EU-129 Usedom
O-014 EU-nein Daenholm (in Rugendamm/Rugen Causeway)
O-015 EU-129 Goernitz (Achterwasser, off Usedom)
O-016 EU-057 Fahrinsel (off Hiddensee)
O-017 EU-057 Heuwiese (off Rugen)
O-018 EU-057 Libitz/Liebitz (off Rugen)
O-019 EU-057 Ohe (off Schaprode-Village / Rugen)
O-020 EU-nein Lotseninsel
O-021 EU-098 Walfisch
O-022 EU-nein Langenwerder
O-023 EU-nein Grosse Kirr
O-024 EU-nein Oie
O-025 EU-nein Beuchel
O-026 EU-057 Tollow (in Schoritzer Wiek / off Rugen)
O-027 EU-nein Riether Werder

Inlandsinseln / Inland Island

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B-001 EU-nein Reichenau (Bodensee/Untersee - Lake Konstanz)
B-002 EU-nein Mainau (Bodensee/Uberlinger See - Lake Konstanz)
B-003 EU-nein Herreninsel

(Note: this list is not finished, there might be new ones in future e.g. Hamburger Hallig, and islands around Usedom, etc.)

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