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There are two separate mailing lists for automatic subscribtion to the bulletin in its two versions (English and Italian).

3W - Coly, UA0FM will be active (on 10-160 metres, hopefully on WARC as well) again as 3W5FW from Vietnam starting in mid-November. He plans to be on 160 metres (TX 1826 kHz, RX 3 up) at 14-15 UTC for USA, 19.30-20.30 UTC and 23 UTC for Europe. Queries etc. can be sent to Eugene, RA0FF (ra0ff@qsl.net). QSL to P.O. Box 66, Vladimir, 600011, Russia. [TNX RA0FF]

5N - Bogdan, SP5CPR is again active as 5N3CPR from Nigeria until mid-December. QSL via SP5CPR (preferably through the bureau). [TNX SP5UAF]

5R - Andre (F6AOI), Alain (F6BFH), Bernard (F9IE) and their wives will be active from Madagascar between 15 November and 7 December. They plan to operate from the islands of Sainte Marie (AF-057) and Nosy Be (AF-057) on all bands CW and SSB. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

BV9P - The DXpedition to Pratas Island (AS-110) [425DXN 390] is now officially scheduled between 06.00 UTC on 12 November and 00.00 UTC on 19 November. The operators are BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2VA, BV4AS, BV4FH, BV4ME, BV4QA, BV7FC, JA1BK, KU9C, OH2BH and XE1CI (Nellie, the first YL to operate from Pratas) and they will be active as BQ9P on all modes and bands. Look for them (CW/SSB/RTTY) on 160 (1.885-1.905), 80 (3.505-3.515/3.795/3.550), 40 (7.005/7.055/7.030), 30 (10.135), 20 (14.055/14.195/14.080), 17 (18.085/18.125), 15 (21.055/21.295/21.080), 12 (24.895/24.495) and 10 metres (28.055/28.495/28.080). QSL via KU9C. Donations can be sen to Paul Pai, BV4FH (P.O. Box 163, Feng-Yuan City, 420 Taiwan, R.O.C.) or to Chiang Hui-Yu (Account No# 392-13-13826-06, Chinatrust Commercial Bank Feng-Yuan Branch, #341, Chungshan Road, Feng-Yuan city,

Taichung Hsien, Taiwan R.O.C.). [TNX BV4AS]

CP - Mats, LU9AY (ex LU9AUY) will be active (CW and SSB, hopefully on 160-10 metres) as CP6/LU9AY (and CP6AA in contest) from Bolivia between 25 November and 5 December. QSL via LU9AY either direct (Matias Vanni, 670 Honorio Pueyrredon, 1405 Buenos Aires, Argentina: please note that CBA is no longer valid) or through the bureau. [TNX LU9AY]

D2 - Fernando, D2BB will be leaving Luanda, Angola in mid-December. QSL via W3HNK. "When Fernando leaves this semi-rare African country", the Daily DX reports, "there will not be much going on as D2AI left the country two weeks ago for Portugal, D2EV moved to Sri Lanka, D2CM is a new licensee but located on an oil platform, D2GG and D3SAA are others but no news about them".

D6 - YL operator Denise, F6HWU will be active (mainly on CW and RTTY) as D68WU from Comoro Islands (AF-007) between 15 November and 5 December. She will participate in the CQ WW CW DX Contest. QSL via F6HWU. [TNA F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

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E3 - The Space A DX Group is on track with the plans for their trip to Eritrea [425DXN 389]. With the added $500 dollars cost per operator for the licence, and the recent activity from Eritrea, they have scaled down to ten operators: WD4NGB, KO4RR, N5VL, IV3FSG (YL), I8NHJ, EA8AFJ, OK1TN, N9NS, NF6S and DJ9ZB. Operations are confirmed to take place from (hopefully) 5 November until midday on 17 November. Individual callsigns will be issued upon arrival starting at E30AA and up, but it is hoped the operators will be allowed to use only one call (however each operator may be using his/her own call for the last few hours: in this case QSL via home call). Plans are to operate THREE stations, 24 hours a day, on 160-6 metres (but probably not on 30 metres) SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL to Indexa (c/o K4JDJ, 556 Babbtown Rd., Suffolk, VA 33434, USA) or through the bureau via K4JPJ. Logs will be available at http://qsl.net/eritrea, http://www.pagus.it/E31DX and http://members.xoom.com/eritrea [TNX WD4NGB]

E3 - Zoli, E30HA is expected to go QRT on 8 November, but he might return to Eritrea just before the CQ WW CW Contest. QSL via HA5YPP (P.O. Box 1157, H-1245 Budapest, Hungary). [TNX HA0DU]

FR - Phil, G3SWH will be active (10-80 metres CW) as FR/G3SWH/p from Reunion Island (AF-016) between 17 and 24 November. QSL via G3SWH either direct (Phil Whitchurch, 21 Dickensons Grove, Congresbury, Bristol, BS49 5HQ, United Kingdom) or through the bureau. [TNX G3SWH]

FR - Ten operators will be active (on 160-2 metres, CW, SSB and some RTTY) as TO150 (Tango Oscar One Five Zero) from Piton des Neiges (3069 metres ASL) on Reunion Island (AF-016) between 18 and 20

December. The special callsign is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the abolition of slavery on Reunion (20 December 1848). For further information please visit http://www.oceanes.fr/pdn/ [TNX IK2RXV and FR5FC]

GJ - Chris, G0WFH will be active (on all bands SSB) as GJ0UFH from Jersey (EU-013) between 4 and 11 November. QSL via G0WFH. [TNX DX News Sheet].

HA - HA0HW, HA4XG, HA6NL, HA6PQ, HA6PX and HA6ZV will be active from Triesenberg (1400 metres ASL), Liechtenstein during the HA-QRP Contest between 00.00 UTC on 1 November and 07.00 UTC on 7 November. During their QRP activity they will operate on 3511 kHz +/- QRM as HB0/HA5RT/p (QSL via HA6NL), while they will use HB0/home call/p on the other bands, mainly on CW and RTTY. [TNX KA6NL and HA0HW]

HI - Julio, AD4Z will be active as either HI3K and HI3JH from Dominican Republic (NA-096) for eleven days starting on 25 November. He plans to operate on all bands, with an emphasis on 160 and 80 metres CW, and to participate in the CQ WW CW DX Contest. QSL via HI3JH. [TNX AD4Z]

JA - Hiro, JA4DND might be active as JA4DND/4 from Oki Archipelago (AS-041) between 31 October and 3 November. QSL via JA4DND. [TNX DX News Sheet]

JW - Tor, LA9XGA will be active (160-10 metres, CW and SSB) as JW9XGA from Longyearbyen (EU-026), Svalbard between 30 October and 4 November. QSL via LA9XGA. [TNX DX News Sheet]

JY - Ken, K4ZW plans to be active as JY8ZW from Jordan between 5 and 16 November. He will concentrate on the low bands, 80 and 160 metres, mainly on CW. [TNX The Daily DX]

LA - Ben, OZ5AAH (ex OY5IPA, OX3IPA, TF/OZ5IPA) will be active as LA/OZ5IPA between 6 and 9 November and will participate in the IPA contest on 7-8 November. QSL direct to OZ5AAH (Preben Jakobsen, 9 Knoldager, DK-2670 Greve, Denmark). [TNX OZ5AAH]

PY - PY1MF/P might be active (on 10 and 20 metres SSB) as PY1MF/P from Grande Island (SA-029) during the weekend. QSL via home call. [TNX PY1KS]

S7 - Roger, KF8OY plans to be active (SSB with some CW) as S79OY from the Seychelles between 6 and 9 November. QSL direct to KF8OY. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

SM - Nine operators from the DX-club SSRA (namely SM7AVZ, SM7BCX, SM7CQY, SM7DAY, SM7DDR, SM7DXQ, SM7EQL, SM7MPM and SM7NGH) will be active as SK7DX from Ven Island (EU-137) between 15 UTC on 6 November and 13 UTC on 8 November. Two stations will be on the usual IOTA frequencies 24 hours a day. QSL via SM7DXQ either direct (Mats Freden, Klagerupsvagen 258. S-21232 Malmoe, Sweden) or through the bureau. [TNX SM7CQY]

SP_ssh - Stan, SP3BGD has been active as HF0POL from King George Island in the South Shetlands (AN-010) since the beginning of the year [425DXN 341] and will be leaving the island in early December. There will be no amateur radio operator active from this station in 1999. QSL via SP3SUN either direct (Piotr Miranski, ul. Rydza Smiglego 27/5, 65-610 Zielona Gora, Poland) or through the bureau. [TNX The Daily DX]

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T3 - After leaving East Kiribati (see T32 below), Karl, DL1VU plans to be active as T31AF from Central Kiribati, as T30CT from West Kiribati and as T33VU from Banaba. [TNX The Daily DX]

T32 - Karl, DL1VU, and Gerhard, DJ5IW expect to be active as T32VU (CW) and T32IW (SSB) from East Kiribati starting on 3 November. [TNX The Daily DX]

TY - Sigi, DL7DF and his crew (DL7BO, DL7UFR and DJ6TF) will be active from Benin between 4 and 17 November. They plan to operate two complete stations mainly on CW, with some SSB and RTTY, and to concentrate on the low bands. QSL via DL7DF. [TNX DL7UFR]

VE - Frank, VE2FCQ and Conrad, VE2ICM/VE2MA will be active as VE2MA/p from two new C.IS.A. islands in the Province of Quebec on 31 October starting around 12 UTC. The islands are Ile du lac Pierre Paul and Ile aux Grues (not to be confused with the previous Isle aux Grues). QSL direct to VE2ICM/VE2MA.

VK9_coc- Hide, JM1LJS will be active as VK9CL from Cocos-Keeling between 26 December and 2 January 1999. He plans to operate on 80-10 metres (CW and SSB with 400 watts and a dipole or ground plane). On 3/4 January he should be active as VK6SJS and VK6SJS/HRP from the Hutt River Province (http://www.wps.com.au/hutriver/history.htm). QSL via JM1LJS, whose *new* address is Hideyuki Kai, 4-22-15, Takata-Higashi, Kohoku-ku, Yokohama-City 223-0063, Japan. [TNX JM1LJS]

VK9_coc- George, W8UVZ and Charlie, W0YG have been issued the call VK9YY for their 13-20 February 1999 operation from Cocos-Keeling (OC-003) [425DXN 387]. Plans are to concentrate on the low and WARC bands and on RTTY. QSL via W0YG (Charlie Summers, 6746 North Yucca Trail, Parker, CO 80138-6110, USA). [TNX The Daily DX]

VK9_lh - Nick Hacko (VK2ICV), Bill Snider (K6KM), Charlie Hansen (N0TT), Ray Smolenski (N4RU) and Mary Lou Brown (NM7N) will be active as VK9LX [425DXN 370] from Lord Howe (OC-004) between 22 November and 1 December. They will participate in the CQ WW CW DX Contest (28-29 November) as Multi/Single working all HF bands except WARC. Outside the contest they will be operating two stations (CW, SSB and RTTY) on all the HF bands, with an emphasis on the low and WARC bands. QSL via VK2ICV (Nick Hacko, P.O. Box 730, Parramatta, NSW 2124, Australia). Further information is available at http://qsl.net/vk9lx, while pre- and post-DXpedition e-mail messages can be sent to vk9lx@qsl.net [TNX NM7N]

VK9_xms- George, W8UVZ and Charlie, W0YG have been issued the call VK9XX for their 6-13 February 1999 operation from Christmas Island (OC-002) [425DXN 387]. Plans are to concentrate on the low and WARC bands and on RTTY. QSL via W0YG (Charlie Summers, 6746 North Yucca Trail, Parker, CO 80138-6110, USA). [TNX The Daily DX]

YB - YC8TXW and YC9YZ are reported to be planning an activity from Obi Is (OC-222) on 9-11 January 1999. [TNX I1WFF]

ZF - Robert, KE5BR will be active again as ZF2UH (SSB and CW) from Grand Cayman (NA-016) between 7 and 14 November. QSL via KE5BR. [TNX KE5BR]

ZL8 - Bob, ZL1RS will be active again as ZL8RS from the Kermadecs (OC-039) between 9 and 17 November. He will operate in his spare time and plans are to concentrate on 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres SSB with some slow CW on 30 metres. QSL via ZL1RS (Robert Sutton, 109 Wright Rd, RD2 Katikati, New Zealand). Pictures from Bob's past trip are available at http://www.qsl.net/zl1rs [TNX ZL1RS]

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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR IS ---> Nat, VU2NTA reports he is "now making another attempt to try and obtain permission for VU4. The going is pretty tough, with the government very unsupportive on the matter". He needs the support from the DX community and would like DXers to send him e-mail messages indicating their requests for activation of Andaman and Nicobar Islands by INDIAN AMATEURS (please note that "any requests to join the expedition by non Indian hams will definitely make the expedition a non starter!"). Send your message to vu2nta@amsat.org and KYFC. [TNX W2FG and VU2NTA]

C.Is.A. ---> The Canadian islands activated by VE2MA/p on 17 October were Ile St-Amour (PQ-044), Ile St-Ignace (PQ-045), Ile Madame (PQ-046) and Ile-Aux-Ours (PQ-047). For further information on the Canadian Islands Award plese visit http://www.tir.com/~wd8mgq/index.html

D.I.C. ---> The Diploma delle Isole Campane (Campania region Islands Award) is sponsored by ARI Pozzuoli. For further information please contact the Award Manager, IK8UHA at either ik8uha@amsat.org or Sezione ARI, attn. Antonio Barbato (IK8UHA), P.O. Box 1, 80078 Pozzuoli - NA, Italy. [TNX IK8UHA]

ISLAND RENAMED ---> Kiribati has officially renamed Caroline Island as part of its promotional campaign approaching the new millenium. It is now called Millennium Island. The information comes from the Tourism Council of the South Pacific (http://www.tcsp.com/)

NA-184 ---> Lew, N6VV and Dan, W7DR were on St. George Reef for only 23 hours on 17-18 October and logged 1187 QSOs in about 18 hours of operation ("I would guess more than 50% of the QSOs were with Europe", Lew says). QSL via N6VV (cards started going out on 21 October!). A photo and some historical information on St. George Reef Lighthouse, are available at http://members.aol.com/fairyfellr/stgeo.html: "after visiting the web page", N4VA says, "I feel a much stronger appreciation for Lew's efforts!" [TNX N4VA and N6VV]

QSL 3B7RF ---> The latest report (29 October) from Switzerland states that 26,100 QSOs have been confirmed so far. All direct cards received before 25 October have been replied. If you do not receive your direct card within a couple of weeks, please contact HB9BXE at hb9bxe@pilatus.net before mailing a second request. Bureau requests are being processed as well. QSL via HB9RF (Postfach 37, CH-6319 Allenwinden, Switzerland). [TNX HB9BGN]

QSL BD7JA & BI7W ---> Reports mentioning F/HH2HM as QSL manager for BD7JA/7 and BI7W [425DXN 390] are not correct. Yang, BD7JA states he has never authorized anyone to handle these QSL chores. QSLs go to P.O. Box 1713, 510600 Gaungzhou, People's Republic of China. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused Yang and our readers.

QSL EA9EA ---> Joe, W3HNK reports that due to a miscommunication he will not be handling the QSL chores for the Ceuta Contest Club, EA9EA. Cards will be handled by EA9AZ. [TNX The Daily DX]

QSL EP2MM ---> Clyde, W5TQE has been reported as being QSL manager for this station and he is receiving many requests for cards. "I have not operated as EP2MM for over 25 years", he reports, "and I cannot reply to EP2MM cards". [TNX G3NUG]

QSL UA0IAS ---> It has been reported that many people were sending mail to the old callbook address for UA0IAS/0 at Box 500. Please note that all the mail CURRENTLY at Box 500 will be forwarded to the correct address, so it will not be necessary for anybody to resubmit a QSL, but any mail coming into Box 500 NOW will NOT be forwarded. Vald's current address is Vladimir Kolodkin, P.O.Box 11, Palatka, 686110 Magadanskya, Russia. Reports from Russia also mentioned that there is a mail strike now, so anybody waiting for mail should have patience. [TNX KB8O]

QSL YA1R ---> Roger, G3SXW reports he is receiving direct cards for YA1R, which was active earlier this month. Please note that this call was actually issued to Roger in 1970 (and at that time the QSL manager was G3TXF), but he has not been in Afghanistan since 1973. The QSL route given by the 1998 YA1R is RW3LO.
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QSL VIA AD4Z/HI3JH ---> Julio reports that cards for CO2JD, CO2HR, CO2MA, CM2CK (SK), CO8ZZ, CM8ZZ, CO8DM, CM8DM, CO8AR, CO8NA, CL8VP, CM8VP, CL8UB, CM8UB (but *not* CO2JA) are via HI3JH, while cards for HI8LUZ and HI4M are via AD4Z. Cards for CO2VG and CM2VK can be sent to HI3JH, but please note that he is not the actual QSL manager for these stations (he just helps forwarding the cards). [TNX AD4Z/HI3JH]

QSL VIA UX1KA ---> Roman, UX1KA still has some cards for his previous

operations as UA1OT, 4K2OT and 3W/4K2OT. QSL to Roman A. Bratchyk, P.O. Box 88, Kyiv 252191, Ukraine. [TNX UX1KA]

136 KHZ ---> Renato, IK1QFK from Cumiana (Torino) and Marco, IK1ODO from Rivalta (Torino) are the only two Italian stations currently active on 136 kHz. [TNX Radioincontro]

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CQWW SSB 98: QSL Routes for stations active during the contest are available at http://www.arrakis.es/~ea5eyj/cqssb98.htm [TNX EA5EYJ]
IOTA: The web page for RA1QQ/1's latest operations from Russian Arctic islands (25-28 July 1998) can be found at www.geocities.com/pentagon/bunker/4755 [TNX RA1QHJ]

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QSL received via direct: 3B7CF, 3C1RV (AF-010), 3C5DX, 3D2QB, 3W6EZD, 4S7CF, 5H3DD, 5R8FU, , 5R8FV, 5X1T, 5Z4RL, 6W1/N2WCQ, 7Q7CE, 9M6AAC, 9V8WW, A61AJ, A71EI, A41LZ, A45XL (AS-014), BA4TB, BV5VG, CP8XA, CY9AA, D44BS, ED5ICE (EU-069), EP2SMH, ET3AA, FO5QB, FO5QG, FO/OK1TN, FP5BZ, FR5HR, GU3MBS, H40AA (OC-100), H40AB (OC-065), H44DX, HK0ER, KA9KAI/HR2, HS1CKC, HS1GUW, HS0/G3NOM, HS0/JA6GIJ, IB0/IZ0IIA (IIA LT-036), IJ7/IK7IMO (IIA LE-035), IJ8/IZ8BXR (IIA KR-002), IL3/IK3ABY (IIA VE-009, 068), J28DB, JW9THA, JW0YL, KH0S, KH0U, N2OO/KH9, LA/DF8YO/p (EU-062), NH4/NH6YK, OH0BH, OH0W, S21J, SV2ASP/A, TG9NX, TL5A, TL8CK, TP4CE, TZ6DX, V26B, V31CX, V63KU, V63RL/p (OC-226), V73UX, VE2/F6ELE (NA-084, 125, 176, 177), VP8/G4VFU, VR98LC, XX9TR, XX9TSS, WF1N (NA-148), WH0AAV, YB5QZ, YL2GP, YS1RR, YS9/KS4Q, ZB2JO, ZD7DP, ZD9BV, ZY5YZ (SA-026).

QSL received via WF5E DX QSL Service: BA1DU, C6AIE, EW1MM, FM5DN, UN7FK, VP5/KN4UG, VQ9PH, ZF2NE.

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