5Z - G3RTE (Jim), G3SWH (Phil), G3WGV (John) and 5Z4RL (Rob) will be active from Lamu Island (AF-040) between 17 and 24 February. They will be active with two stations on CW, SSB and RTTY on all bands from 160 to 10 metres, with the exception of 30 metres, which is not permitted in Kenya and hope for a special callsign, to be announced in due time. QSL via G3SWH either direct (Phil Whitchurch, 21 Dickensons Grove, Congresbury, Bristol, BS49 5HQ, England, UK) or through the bureau. Donations towards the cost of the expedition are invited and may be sent to G3SWH. [TNX G3SWH]

EA - Operators from URE Albufera will be active from the island of Mata de Baix (DIEI V-028, not IOTA) on 10 January. [TNX IK1GPG]

EA - Look for ED5OL to be active from Chirat Island (DIEI V-042, not IOTA) on 24 January. QSL via EA5OL (who is the new DIE Manager effective 1 January). [TNX IK1GPG]

EL - Mark, ON4WW/EL2WW will be back [425DXN 398] to Monrovia, Liberia on 11 January. He plans to concentrate on the low bands. QSL via ON5NT. [TNX The Daily DX]

F - Club station TP2CE will be active (10-80 metres, CW and SSB) as TP50CE between 15 and 17 January to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Council of Europe. QSL via F6FQK. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

FK - Philippe, ex TU2FH, is now active as FK8VHU from New Caledonia until August 1999. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

FY - Christian, F6BEN is now active on 20 and 40 metres as FY5DG from French Guyana. [TNX F6AJA and Les Nouvelles DX]

FT5W - Gilles, F5AGL is now active as FT5WH from Crozet (AF-008) [425DXN 398] with a ground plane antenna on 10, 15, 20 and 40 metres. He is looking for the amplifier, which is hidden somewhere on the island. Gilles is expected to operate RTTY as well and to be on Crozet for one year. QSL via F6KDF (see QSL FT5WH & FT5ZH below). [TNX The Daily DX]

FW - The call FW5FN has been issued to Cedric, HB9HFN for his 28 February - 8 March DXpedition to Uvea (OC-054), Wallis and Futuna [425DXN
He plans to operate on 160-10 metres mostly on CW, with some SSB and RTTY. QSL via HB9HFN (Cedric Baechler, Mettetlet 26, 1763 Granges-Paccot, Switzerland). The website for the expedition is at http://www.qsl.net/hb9hfn/ [TNX HB9HFN]

H4 - Sigi, DK9FN [425DXN 399] will be active as H44FN from Solomon Islands between 24 and 27 January. He will then move to Temotu, from where he will be active on CW (while Bernhard, DL2GAC will operate SSB) as H40?? until 10 February. QSL via HA8FW (Mihaly Bela Szeged, Csongradi sgt. 122/A. 4/9. H-6724 Hungary). [TNX HA8FW]

HK0 and HK - The Woodbridge Wireless (WWI) from Woodbridge, Virginia is pleased to announce its 4th DXpedition. AA3KX, K5OF, N2PP, W4DC, WB4ZNH, WN4FVU (YL) and W28P will be active from San Andres Island (NA-033) between 2 and 9 March, call not issued so far (it may turn out to be HK0/W4DC). They will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest with two stations. Before and after the contest they plan to concentrate on RTTY, CW, and WARC bands. QSL via W4DC (please note that all contest QSOs will be confirmed automatically through the bureau). Questions and comments before and after the DXpedition should be directed to Denis, W4DC (catalanode@navsea.navy.mil); during the operation, please contact Mike, KA4RRU (ka4rru@erols.com). The web page for the DXpedition is at http://www.pwcweb.com/wwi/DXpedition [TNX W4DC]

HK - Boris, IK4RSR was active as HK3RSA from Colombia. QSL via home call. [TNX IK4DCS]

H2 - HZ1RT (ex HZ1CCA) is again active (mostly on SSB) from Saudi Arabia. QSL via IK7JTF. [TNX IK7JFT]

I - IK6CAC (Carlo), IK7XIV (Roberto), IK7VJX (Piero) and IK7IMO (Enzo) will be IJ7/home call from San Pietro Island (IIA TA-001) in the Cheradis (EU-073) on 16 and 17 January. Look for them on all bands CW and SSB. QSL via home call. [TNX IK6CAC]

JA - JH6RTO will be 1/1 from Jogashima (AS-117) between 22 UTC on 8 January and 9 UTC on the 9th. Plans are to operate CW and SSB on 40, 20, 15 and 10 metres. QSL via home call. [TNX JA9IFF/1]

JA - JH3QFL will be /6 from Hateruma, Yaeyama Islands (AS-024) between 15 and 18 January. Look for him on 20 and 15 metres SSB and CW. QSL via JH3QFL. [TNX JI6KVR]

KH4 - Ted, NH4/NH6YK is now reported to be active from Midway [425DXN 397] until 10 January. QSL via NH6YK. A web site has been set up at http://165.248.121.95/KH4/KH4.html [TNX The Daily DX]

LZ - Special station LZ100PV will be active until 31 December to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Bulgarian composer Pancho Vladigerov. QSL via bureau (P.O.Box 830, Sofia-1000, Bulgaria). [TNX LZ4BU]

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PY0-spp- Karl, PS7KM reports that the Natal DX Group ZY0SP/ZY0SZ March DXpedition to St. Peter and St. Paul Rocks [425DXN 393] has been
cancelled due to lack of funds. All donations received so far will be returned as soon as possible. [TXN PS7KM]

PY - ZY7PO will be active (on 10-80 metres, CW and SSB) from Itamaraca Island (SA-046, DIB-018) between 15 and 17 January. QSL via PR7RT (Guelfo Jorge Poltronieri, P.O.Box 8, 58001-970 Joao Pessoa-PB, Brazil). [TXN PS7AB]

PY - PU5EPL/PR8, PU8MPX, PS8NF, PR8RLS, PR8PM and PR8BNP plan to be active (6-80 metres, CW and SSB) as ZY8CW and ZV8A from Sao Luis Island (SA-016, DIB-007) between 16 and 18 January. QSL via PR8AA. [TXN PP5SZ and PY2ZX]

PY - ZW7CC will be activated on all bands CW and SSB by Scout Group of Parayba from Fort of Santa Caterina (DFH PB-001) between 22 and 24 January. QSL via PR7RT. [TXN PP5SZ]

PY - Look for PT5T to be active (CW and SSB, on all bands) from Maria Francisca Island (SA-026, DIB 067) between 22 and 31 January. QSL via PP5LL. [TXN PP5SZ]

T2 - The 3D2DK German operators (DK1BT, DK7YY, DL2OAP, DL3DXX and DL8OBQ) who were expected to operate from Tuvalu starting on 2 January [425DXN 398] were forced to remain at Fiji longer than planned due to a problem to the aircraft. They eventually made it to Tuvalu and now are active with two stations as T20FW. Plans are to operate on all bands CW and RTTY with some SSB, with two complete stations and an emphasis on the low bands. QSL via DK7YY.

T33 - Karl, DL1VU is now active (no RTTY operation expected) as T33VU from Banaba (OC-018). "Karl says he does not know how long he will be on the island", The Daily DX reports. "It all depends when the next boat comes". QSL via DL2MDZ.

TR - Derek, F5VCR and Ken, G3OCA are planning to be active from Banie Island (AF-043) during a weekend in March. Further information is expected in due time. [TXN F5VCR and Islands On The Web]

TU - Due to flight problems, now Aldo, I2AOX and Marco, IK2CHZ will be active from TU5IJ's QTH [425DXN 399] between 13 and 24 January. QSL direct to I2AOX. [TXN IK2CHZ]

UA - Nick, RA1QQ (Nick A. Smerdov, P.O.Box 24, Cherepovets 162627, Russia) is now planning his summer 1999 DXpedition, which will take place from EU-102 (Pechorskoye Sea Coast Centre), one of the most wanted IOTA groups. Operators wishing to join Nick are requested to get in touch with Albert (RA1QHJ) at albert@metacon.ru [TXN RA1QHJ]

V3 - Art, NN7A and Mike, NG7S will be active respectively as V31JZ and V31RL from Turneffe Islands (NA-123), Belize between 31 January and 6 February. They plan to use two barefoot stations with a vertical and wire antennas and to operate mainly on CW, with some SSB as conditions allow. QSL V31JZ via NN7A (Art Phillips, P.O. Box 201, Flagstaff, AZ 86002, USA); QSL V31RL via NG7S (Mike Sharp, P.O. Box 3773, Flagstaff, AZ 86003, USA). [TXN NN7A]

VE - Nova Scotia amateurs are allowed to use the XJ1 prefix until 27 November to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Pony Express between Halifax and Victoria Beach. [TXN DX News Sheet]

VE - The new VY0 prefix, which has been allocated to the new Canadian Territory of Nunavut [425DXN 400], will become effective on 1 April. The prefix VE8 will remain for the use of the western North West Territories. [TXN K2YOP]

VP8_fal - Jan, K4QD (VP8CRB & VP8TTY) [425DXN 397] operates from an abandoned
Loran station on the top of a hill overlooking Port Stanley. There are two 150 foot towers which are 250 feet apart and the three wire antennas are suspended between them. He reports he is meeting his goals (to make over 10,000 contacts during his three week stay, to operate CW, which is rare in the Falklands, activate the WARC bands and reach difficult areas like Asia), although 80 and 160 metres have been disappointing. He is building a 160 meter loop which will be vertically polarized and installed for a concentrated Top Band effort all Friday night and Saturday night. QSL via K4QD either direct (Jan Heise, 8595 Sheridan Rd, West Melbourne, FL 32904, USA) or through the bureau. [TNX W3UR]

VP9 – Dick, N1RCT will be active (on RTTY only) as VP9/N1RCT from Bermuda (NA-005) between 30 January and 4 February. He expects to be on 20 metres split hopes to operate for at least 40 hours total. Dick will be using 100 Watts and a multiband dipole; a special Japan-only hour will be daily from 22 to 2300 UTC. QSL direct to W6/G0AZT (Eddie Schneider, P.O. Box 5194, Richmond, CA 94805, USA) or via the bureau to N1RCT. A web page is available at http://www.megalink.net/~n1rct/dxcc/vp9.html [TNX N1RCT]

VQ9 – Dale, VQ9QM will be active from Diego Garcia Island (AF-006) until March. He plans to operate on 160 metres soon. QSL via W4QM. [TNX The Daily DX]

Z3 – Zoki, Z31GB (QSL via NN6C) is active on digital modes and accepts schedules at z31gb@freemail.org.mk [TNX Z31GB]

ZK3 – Ron, ZL1AMO is expected to be active as ZK3RW from Tokelau [425DXN 398] until around 10-11 January. QSL via ZL1AMO. [TNX The Daily DX]

ZL9 – The ZL9CI team left Wellington, New Zealand at 00.20 UTC on 1 January and arrived at Campbell Island after a 90-hour voyage. They started unloading the 5 tonnes of equipment and begin to assemble the antenna system at 4 a.m. on 5 January in order to commence operations on or around 23 UTC on 6 January. In the first 23 hours they made 10,724 QSOs (more than half on CW), operating six stations on most bands. Ron, ZL2TT was scheduled to be the SSTV operator, but as he is not making the trip and as the other operators do not have the expertise to run SSTV, it will no longer be a featured mode on the expedition. Their permit restrictions still are in place and they cannot be operational from 1100 UTC to 16.30 UTC. However, rough seas prevented the team from leaving the island safely and that is why they were active during the ZL9 night on 7 January. QSL via ZL2HU (Ken Holdom, P.O. Box 56099, Tawa, New Zealand). [TNX N1DG]

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DXCC MOST WANTED ---> This year the 425 DX News annual survey is open to our readers worldwide. Visit our web site at http://www.425dxn.org and mark the
DXCC Entities you have never worked!

IOTA CONTEST 1999 --> This year's event is scheduled on 24-25 July and a few amateurs have already started planning their participation in it:
- Jean-Pierre, ON4BBA and other operators from UBA Diest will be active on all bands (CW, SSB and RTTY) between 18 and 25 July from Yeu Island (EU-064) and plans are to enter the contest with a special call. [TNX ON4BBA]
- LX2LX, LX1NO, TF8GX and maybe TF8SM will be active from Westman Is (EU-071), call to be announced. They plan to work on RTTY and WARC bands shortly before and after the contest. [TNX LX1NO]

DX STATION WANTED --> Kenny Sanchez, KG2FH offers his services as QSL manager for a DX station. Those interested are invited to get in touch with him at kg2fh@intergrafi.com

EP3PTT --> During his latest business trip to Iran (October-December 1998) Mirek, VK3DXI was able to operate at the EP3PTT club station located in the building of the Ministry of the Telecommunication in Tehran. EP3PTT is active every day except Fridays, between 17-19 local time, using 10 watts and dipole antennas for 20 and 15 metres. Guest operators are welcome. For further information please contact Mirek at mirelec@singnet.com.sg [TNX VK3DXI]

FT5ZH --> The recent DXpedition to Amsterdam Island logged 32065 QSOs (27063 on SSB, 4444 on CW and 558 on RTTY) with 14005 different stations. 14739 QSOs were with Europe, 10448 with North America, 279 with South America, 5592 with Asia, 765 with Oceania and 202 with Africa. The band/mode (SSB/CW/RTTY) breakdown is as follows: 27 QSOs on 160 metres (0/27/0), 1387 on 80 metres (1298/89/0), 2823 on 40 metres (2037/786/0), 1048 on 30 metres (0/1048/0), 10940 on 20 metres (9367/1119/445), 2459 on 17 metres (2360/99/0), 4870 on 15 metres (4550/207/113), 2541 on 12 metres (2251/290/0), 5970 on 10 metres (5191/779/0). [TNX F5NOD]

NAVASSA --> "The Director of the Office of Insular Affairs advises all persons interested in visiting Navassa Island that, having made a preliminary review of the island's ecology, he has decided indefinitely not to allow visits to the island and its surrounding waters until he has received a further assessment of the island's environment and conservation status". The announcement comes from the Internet Web page of the US Dept of Interior. [TNX DX News Sheet]

NEW ORLEANS CONVENTION --> The 8th annual New Orleans International DX Convention will be held on August 27-28, 1999, at the Royal Sonesta Hotel on Bourbon Street in the New Orleans French Quarter. For the latest information on convention developments, check the Delta DX Association website at http://www.gnofn.org/~w5ru/ [TNX W5FKX]

NEWS FROM POLAND --> Irek, SP3SUX reports that effective 1 January Poland is divided into 16 new bigger regions (previously 49). The administrative change will affect SPDX Contest exchanges and SP-awards, but not amateur radio callsigns (by the way, "vanity" car plates with, for instance, amateur radio callsigns will be soon allowed in Poland).
POSTAL RATES (CANADA) ---> Postage rates in Canada have changed since 4 January: the new rate from Canada to the US is now 55 cents, while from Canada to all other countries is now 95 cents. [TNX The Daily DX]

POSTAL RATES (USA) ---> The postage rate from the US to the US will change from 32 cents to 33 cents on 10 January 1999. This does not apply to DX stations: rates are likely to change sooner or later, but till that moment air mail remains at 60 cents.

PP5 OUTGOING BUREAU ---> Ooops! It is the PP5 (Santa Catarina State), *not* the PY5 (Parana State) Outgoing QSL Bureau that currently does not work [425DXN 400]. It is confirmed that PP5ASN and PP5AS handle cards for DL and ES respectively, but for the time being amateurs in other countries cannot receive any card through the PP5 bureau. We apologize for any inconvenience the typo may have caused our readers.

QSL ROUTES ---> Michael, DJ5AV is the editor of the German DX News Letter and says that "Paul, ON6DP is an important source for my QSL routes. His new QSLMGR.EXE with 49058 QSL routes can be found at http://perso.infonie.fr/on6dp/qslmgr.html"

QSL AH6PN/HR6 ---> Effective 1 January 1999 Bob, W7TSQ is the QSL manager for AH6PN/HR6. Cards can be sent either direct or through the bureau. Please note that Bob does not expect to get the first logs until mid February. [TNX I1-21171 and W7TSQ]

QSL BD4DW ---> BD4DW (David Y.J. Zhou, P.O. Box 040-088, Shanghai, China) reports to be used to replying to direct cards within 48 hours from receipt. If you do not get your card within reasonable time, you may wish to get in touch with David at bd4dw@qsl.net

QSL EU-039 ---> Maxime, ON4LCW reports he is having some problems with the printer and the cards for his F/ON4LCW/P July 1998 operation from EU-039 (Chausey Islands) are not ready. Please be patient. Fred, ON6QR reports that the cards for TM5T (1998 IOTA Contest) have been printed and will be sent out by the QSL manager (ON4GO) as soon as possible.

QSL FT5WH & FT5ZH ---> DXers are requested not to send cards for FT5WH and FT5ZH in the same envelope. In fact, while the QSL route is the same for both stations (F6KDF: Radio Club de la Gendarmerie, 292 route de Genas, 69677 Bron Cedex, France), the cards are actually handled by two different groups of managers at the Radio Club. Moreover the logs for FT5ZH are already available, but it is not known when FT5WH is able to send his. [TNX F5NOD]

QSL KC4AAA ---> Bob, NC6J has been the QSL manager for this station for ten
years and has now decided to turn the job over to K1IED. Effective 1 January 1999 K1IED will handle all prior and future QSL cards. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL MU0ASP & MJ0ASP ---> Jacky, F5OIU reports he is *no longer* the QSL manager for MU0ASP & MJ0ASP (that is Mathieu, F5SHQ, who has been active from Jersey and Guernsey since July 1998). Jacky suggests to get in touch with the operator (Mathieu Roche, Longueville Manor Hotel, St Saviour, Jersey JE2 7WF)

QSL UP5P ---> This the special call used by Romeo, UN5PR in contest. QSL direct to Romeo Y. Loparev, P.O.Box 73, Temirtau, 472300 Kazakhstan [TNX UN5PR]

LOGS: The A61AJ logs are now available on the Internet at http://www.dailydx.com/a61aj_search.html [TNX W3UR]

LOGS: The Amsterdam Island FT5ZH DXpedition logs are now available at http://perso.easynet.fr/~f5nod/ft5zhlog.html [TNX F5NOD]

ZL9CI: The web site for the Campbell Island DXpedition is at http://www.qsl.net/zl9ci (plans are to upload logs daily to the web, please note that all logs will have a 24-36 hour delay in transmission) [TNX N1DG].

QSL received via direct: 1A0KM, 3D2CB, 3D2WC/R, 4F3CV, 5H3HG, 5R8EE, 5X1Z, 6Y6A, 8R1J, 9J2BO, 9Q5/DL6RDR, A61AJ, AH2R, BD4ED, C56/DL5MM, C91RF, CN8KD, ET3BT, FG5BG, FR5ZQ/T, HC1XL, JL1KFR/JD1, KH0AS, KL7/K6ST (NA-210), KL7/W6IXP (NA-150), S79SBP, SV2ASP/A, TA4/KU0J, TF/DL6DQW, TF7/DL6DQW, TU4FF, W5BOS/7 (NA-211), XX9TZ, YC8VIP, Z31FK, Z38/NO6X.

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13/01-15/04 K2ZV/4: Key West (NA-062)
13/01-24/01 TU51J: Ivory Coast * by I2AOX and IK2CHZ
15/01-18/01 JH3QFL/6: Yaeyama Islands (AS-024)
15/01-17/01 TP50CE: Council of Europe
15/01-17/01 ZY7FO: Itamaraca Island (SA-046)
16/01-17/01 IJ7/IK6CAC, IJ7XIV, IJ7VJX, IJ7IMO: S. Pietro Isl (EU-073)
16/01-18/01 ZY8CW and ZV8A: Sao Luis Island (SA-016) * by PY8s
17/01 HA DX CW Contest
22/01-31/01 PTST: Maria Francisca Island (SA-026) * by PYs
22/01-24/01 ZW7CC: Fort of Santa Caterina (DFH PB-001) * by PYs
23/01-Apr H44MS: Pigeon Island (OC-065), Temotu * by DL2GAC
24/01 ED5OL: Chirat Island (DIEI V-042) * by EA5OL
24/01-10/02 H44FN (Solomons) & H40?? (Temotu) * by DK9FN
28/01-03/02 C5: The Gambia * by GO0IL
29/01-31/01 CQ WWDX 160 Meter CW Contest
29/01-31/01 REF - French CW Contest
29/01-31/01 UBA Contest - SSB
30/01-04/02 VP9/N1RCT: Bermuda (NA-005)
31/01-06/02 V31JZ & V31RL: Turneffe Is (NA-123) * by NN7A & NG7S
from January FT5YG: Adelie Land, Antarctica
from January FT5ZJ: Amsterdam Island
from January T30, T32, T33 * by HA9RE and HA8IC
06/02-13/02 VK9XX: Christmas Island (OC-002) * by W8UVZ and W0YG
06/02-07/02 RSGB 7 MHz SSB Contest
13/02-20/02 VK9YY: Cocos Island (OC-003) * by W8UVZ and W0YG
13/02-14/02 EA RTTY Contest
13/02-14/02 PACC Contest
13/02-14/02 RSGB 1.8 MHz SSB Contest
13/02-14/02 WW RTTY WPX Contest
13/02-15/02 YL OM SSB Contest
17/02-24/02 5Z: Lamu Island (AF-040) * by G3RTE, G3SWH, G3WGV, 5Z4RL
20/02-21/02 ARRL International DX CW Contest
26/02-28/02 CQ WWDX 160 Meter SSB Contest
26/02-27/02 REF - French SSB Contest
27/02-28/02 RSGB 7 MHz CW Contest
26/02-27/02 UBA - CW Contest
26/02-27/02 Ukraine RTTY Championship
27/02-28/02 YL OM CW Contest
28/02-08/03 FW5FN: Uvea (OC-054), Wallis & Futuna * by HB9HFN

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