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3C - Mirek, SP1NY was active as 3C5/SP1NY (QSL via home call) from Bioco Island (AF-010), Equatorial Guinea, on 26-27 January. He reports that due to "some misunderstanding with local authorities" that activity might not be valid for DXCC. He will be back to Malabo around 5 February for 3-5 more days and "will try to clarify all official matters concerning with my licence". [TNX SP1NY]

5T & S0 - Six members of the International Amateur Radio Volunteeers (IARV) will visit Mauritania and Western Sahara on 11-17 February. They expect to be permitted to operate amateur radio with individual 5T5 callsigns (QSL via home calls) as well as S07CRS and S07U (QSLs via JA1UT). They will work mainly CW and RTTY. [TNX JA1UT and Japan DX News]

9A - Ivan, ZS6IL (formerly ZS6ILU) reports he will be active from the islands of Brac (EU-016, IOCA-010) and Hvar (EU-016, IOCA-028) between around 10 February through early March. He will operate SSB and possibly RTTY and PSK31 as well.

9Q - The Daily DX reports that 9Q1MM (Jean-Philippe), 9Q1KS (Cyprien), 9Q1A (Patrick) and 9Q1YL (Nicole) have been granted permission to operate through 24 February as 9Q0AR/6 from Goma (Nyiragongo volcano), Democratic Republic of Congo.

C6 - Bill, K1CN will be active (on 10-40 metres CW and SSB) as C6AWW from Harbour Island (NA-001), Bahamas between 15 February and 1 March. He will participate in the ARRL CW DX Contest (16-17 February). QSL via K1CN. [TNX The Daily DX]

CE - Marco, CE6TBN reports he will be active (on 10-40 metres SSB) as CE6TBN/2 from Damas Island (SA-086) on 8-10 March. QSL via N1IBM (Morris E. Maze III, 847 Dolan St., Lanoka Harbor, NJ 08734, USA).

CO - Josy/CO8JY, Doug/CO8DM, Geo/CO2JZ and Raul/CO8ZZ will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (16-17 February) as T48K (Multi Single). QSL via DK1WI. [TNX CO8ZZ]

FG - Girts, YL2KL reports he will be active (on 10-160 metres mostly CW with some SSB and RTTY) as FG/YL2KL from Guadeloupe on 13-20 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest as either FG5BG or FG/YL8M (SOAB HP). QSL via YL2KL.

FS - Look for W4LW and K4FMD to operate (on 10, 15, 20 and possibly 80

metres SSB, mainly during their evenings and early mornings) as FS/K4UP from St. Martin (NA-105) on 2-8 February. QSL via K4UP. [TNX WA4TLI]

H4 - Look for Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG to be active (on 6-80 metres SSB, RTTY and PSK) as H44LB and H44ZG from the Solomon Islands starting on 2 February. Later (actual date will depend on local conditions) they will operate as H40YL and H40ZG from Temotu. QSLs via DL7AFS. Up-to-date information will be available at http://www.qsl.net/dl7afs [TNX DL2FAG]

J3 - Bill, K4LTA (J37BO) and his wife Ruby, K4UPS (J37RO) will operate from Grenada between 31 January and 25 February. Bill will be active as J38A during the FOC Marathon (1-3 February), the NA Sprint (9 February) and the ARRL DX CW Contest (16-17 February). Look for J37BO on the WARC bands & 80/160 metres CW and for J37RO on 10, 15 and 20 metres SSB. A breakable CW beacon will be activated on 50103 kHz, typically from 12-17 UTC and from 23-01 UTC. QSL via home calls. [TNX The Daily DX]

KH0 - Look for Yuji, KH0/JA5ROH and Take, KH0/JA5AUC to be active (on 6-160 metres CW and SSB) from Rota Island (OC-086), Northern Marianas on 9-11 February. QSL via home calls either direct or through the JARL bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

KH0 - Look for Nob, KH0/JM1LRQ to be active (on 6-160 metres CW and SSB) from Saipan (OC-086) on 14-18 February. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (SOAB) and will concentrate on SSB and WARC bands operation outside the contest. QSL via JM1LRQ either direct (Nobuyuki Arai, 5-6-1-1002 Kitayamata, Tsuzuki, Yokohama, 224-0021 Japan) or through the JARL bureau. [TNX JM1LRQ]

KH2 - Hide, JH8KYU/K8YU reports he will be active as K8YU/KH2 from Guam (OC-026) on 8-11 February. He will participate in the CQ/RJ WPX RTTY Contest (SOAB) with some CW and SSB while not contesting. QSL via JH8KYU either direct or through the JARL bureau.

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KH4 - David Robbins, K1TTT reports that "the Midway Phoenix Company that has been running the island's infrastructure is leaving effective 1 March. This essentially closes down the island except for the Fish and Wildlife service. All planes have been canceled, stores and accommodations are closed, and all the company people are packing to leave". As a first consequence, and to their deep disappointment, Phil/G3SWH and Jim/G3RTE have been forced to cancel their 30 March-6 April W4M operation [425DXN 559]. [TNX AD1C and G3SWH]

PJ2 - Larry, K6RO and Ron, W6UL will be active (mainly on the WARC bands and 160 metres SSB and CW) from Curacao (SA-006) between 27 February and 5 March. Larry will participate in the ARRL DX SSB

Contest (2-3 March) as PJ2K (SOAB HP) while Ron will be signing PJ2/W6UL before and after the contest. QSL via KU9C. [TNX K6RO]

PJ7 - Bil, W8EB and his wife, Dorothy, W8DVC will be active from St. Maarten between 24 February and 17 March. Bob, K8RLM and his wife, Lori, W9MSU will join them the first week of March. Bob and Bil will participate in the ARRL DX SSB Contest (2-3 March) as PJ7B (QSL via W8EB), while the rest of the time they will operate as PJ7/homecalls on all bands (6 metres included) CW, SSB and RTTY. [TNX W8EB]

PY - PT2GTI, PT2HF and PP2RON will be active (on 10-80 metres CW and SSB) as PY0AI from Abrolhos Archipelago (SA-019, DIB 12, DFB BA-14) on 16-22 February. QSL via PT2GTI (Roberto F. Stuckert, Shin QI 07, Conj. 12, Casa 14, 71515-120, Brasilia DF, Brazil). [TNX PS7AB]

PY - Tom, PY1XP says he will operate (on 40-10 metres) from Rio de Janeiro and Itacuruca Island (SA-029) from now on "for a long period of time".

PY0_spp - Joaquim, PS7JN reports he is due to leave Natal on 20 February to carry out a research programme in geology at St. Peter and St. Paul Archipelago (SA-014). He will be there from 23/25 February through 10/12 March and he plans to be active again as ZY0SAT in his spare time (typically during his nights) with 10-50 watts and a multiband dipole on +/- 7060, 14250, 21350 and 28600 kHz. QSL via PS7JN (Joaquim das Virgens Neto, Rua Carlos Serrano 1969, 59076-740 Natal RN, Brazil). A web page is under construction at http://www.geocities.com/dasvirgens/aspsp/dxspsp.html (the English version will be available soon).

PY0_ti - The team for the 18 February-2 March PW0T DXpedition to Trindade [425DXN 559] has been finalized and now includes Andre/PY0FF, Rolf/PY1RO, Peter/PY5CC, Herminio/PY5HSD, Eliso/PT7BZ, Jim/PY7XC, Ciro/PY7ZY, Fred/PY7ZZ, Dick/N6FF and Bill/W9VA. While major sponsors have begun stepping forward providing vital support for the DXpedition, financial contributions are still sought for and can be sent to K7BV (Dennis Motschenbacher, 4357 Appollonio Way, Carson City, NV 89704, USA). The web site for the operation (http://www.Trindade2002.com) is updated with daily fresh information. [TNX K7BV]

S9 - The S9LA DXpedition to Sao Tome (AF-023) [425DXN 554] is confirmed to take place on 4-11 February. LA5UF, LA5QKA, LA6EIA, LA6FJA, LA7THA, LA7WCA, LC3EAT, SM5COP and SM5IMO will be active 24 hours a day with two stations on 160-6 metres CW, SSB, RTTY, PSK31 and possibily on SSTV as well. The pilot stations are Trond, LA9VDA (North and South America & Low Bands: la9vda@online.no), Tor, LA3WAA (Europe and Africa & 6 metres: torpet@online.no) and Teru, JM2HBO (Japan, Asia and Oceania: teru@k-net.or.jp). QSL via LA2N either direct or through the bureau. Logs will be available at http://www.qsl.net/s9la [TNX LA6FJA]

T32 - VK3DK plans to be active as T32IR from Christmas/Kiritimati Island (OC-024), East Kiribati on 3-17 February. QSL via VK3DK (P.O. Box 1068, Croydon 3136, Australia). [TNX La Gazette du DX]

T8 - Derek/G3KHZ, Maurizio/IZ1CRR and Nando/IT9YRE [425DXN 555] expect to arrive to Koror on 6 February and, sea conditions permitting, to start operating from Sonsorol (South Palau Group, OC-???) around 5 UTC on the 8th. They plan to operate as T88SI until around 18 UTC

on the 10th, with three stations, verticals and dipoles. Look for them on +/- 7055, 14260, 18128, 21260, 24950 and 28460 kHz SSB; 7025, 10115, 14040, 18098, 21040, 24920 and 28040 kHz CW. Dereck will then be active as T88DC from Koror (OC-009) until 20 February. QSL T88SI via IT9YRE (Ferdinando Rubino, P.O. Box 30, 96012 Avola - SR, Italy); QSL T88DC via G3KHZ. Silvano, KB5GL and Salvo, IT9HLR will be the pilots for NA/SA/OC and EU/AS/AF respectively. The web page is at http://www.425dxn.org/dxped/t88si

TI - The 4-11 February TI2 operation by Bob, AA1M and Mike, W1USN [425DXN 557] has been cancelled. Their host in Costa Rica is leaving and his place will no longer be available. [TNX AA1M]

V3 - Andy, VE7AHA will be active as V31HA from Belize on 2-16 February. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

V7 - Jim, W7UG will be active as V73UG from Kwajalein (OC-028), Marshall Islands for the CQ/RJ WW RTTY Contest and the Asia-Pacific CW Sprint (9-10 February) and the ARRL DX CW Contest (16-17 February). On 11-15 February he will concentrate on the WARC bands. QSL via home call. [TNX The Daily DX]

VP8_sg - The multi-national team became active as VP8GEO from South Georgia (AN-007) around 00 UTC on 28 January. They should be QRV until around 5 February. QSL via VE3GCO (The Maple Leaf Radio Society, 5 McLaren Avenue, Listowel, Ontario N4W 3K1, Canada).

W - Dave, KW1DX might operate from Long Island (NA-137) on 2 and 3 February. Main activity should take place on 15 and 20 metres SSB, with some possible operation on 10, 40 and 80 metres (WARC and CW if requested). [TNX KW1DX and Islands On The Web]

W - The Metro Amateur Radio Club of Chicago (http://www.qsl.net/mac) will activate Chicago Harbor Lighthouse (ARLS USA 171) on 9-10 February. The call to be used is K9Y. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

XE - Enrique/XE1LWY, Javier/XE1KOF, Jose Luis/XE1YJL, Alfonso/XE1UZ and Martin/XE1ML will be active (on all HF bands and 6 metres SSB, CW and RTTY) as XF4IH from Cacaluta Island (NA-188) on 26-31 March. QSL via XE1LWY (Enrique Garcia, Apartado Postal 75 - 481, 07300 Mexico D. F., Mexico [TNX XE1YJS]

YA - While Peter, ON6TT is on his way to the US, Robert, S53R is in Kabul and has been operating as YA5T on CW for a couple of days. On 2 February he will be joined by Mark, ON4WW, so expect more CW activity. QSL via KU9C. [TNX ON5NT]

ZL_ant - Chris, N3SIG and Mike, KE6ZYK will be operating portable (on 20, 17 and 15 metres, possibly on 40 and 80 metres as well) as ZL5CG from the Ross Ice Shelf in front of Scott Base (http://www.scott.aq). They plan to start on 14243 kHz around 5 UTC on 2 February. QSL via AI3D. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

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A50B ---> This is the call issued to the new club station for the Technical College, Polythechnic and University of Puentsholling, Bhutan. The station has been set up by Ray, G3NOM/A52OM. QSL to P.O. Box 88, Thimpu, Bhutan. [TNX The Daily DX]

JA6GXK/6 ---> Masa, JA6GXK/6 went QRT on 30 January from Danjo Island (AS-056), after some 5500 QSOs made in three years during his various working shifts at the lighthouse. QSL via JA6GXK (Masafumi Ishihara, 493-4 Koba-cho, Fukue, 853-0033 Japan). [TNX JI6KVR]

LIGHTHOUSES ---> The ARLHS 2002 Spring Lites QSO Party will take place from 1 UTC on 29 March through 23.59 UTC on 7 April. The rules are available at http://www.lighthouse-award.com/spring-2002.txt [TNX DL2VFR]

NOT THE MANAGER ---> Anatoly, US7IID reports he is not the QSL manager for UP9L.

PIRATES ---> The following pirate activities have been reported recently:
- 4K5CW on digital modes. Sergej Gorobec, the genuine 4K5CW, says once again that he currently does not operate RTTY or other digital modes. [TNX 4K5CW]
- CO6XN on 21020 kHz around 17.30 UTC on 16 January. [TNX HK6DOS]
- UA0SC on 6 metres. [TNX UA0SJ]

QSL EZxxx ---> QSL requests for EZ10A, EZ21A, EZ3A, EZ56V, EZ75R, EZ8CW and EZ9A should be sent to RU4SS: Konstantin Vakhonin, P.O. Box 57, Yoshkar-Ola, 424000, Russia. The mail drop for North America is KJ6OW: Terry Morton, 66190 3rd St., Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240, USA (please enclose a SASE and $2).

QSL PJ2T ---> Scott, N9AG is the new QSL manager for PJ2T (the Caribbean Contesting Consortium club station) as of 29 January 2002. All outstanding QSL requests sent to the former QSL manager, KN7Y, will be serviced in the next couple of months. Please be patient as the transfer is completed. [TNX NW0L & K8GT]

QSL PZ5RA ---> Antonello, IZ7DOO reports that cards should not be sent to Suriname any longer, but to Ramon Kaersenhout, c/o Marga Klompelaan 56, 1067 TZ Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

QSL RK3DZJ ---> Eugene, RZ3EC reports that the QSL cards for RK3DZJ's activities in 2001 should be printed "within the next few days". Last year's operations included the following islands: Bol'shoy Zhuzhmuy (EU-147, RR-02-02, WLH-2713), Tiunets (EU-147, RR-02-24), Salmaludy (EU-147, RR-02-25), Malyj (EU-162, RR-02-07, WLH-0768), Chayachy (not IOTA, RR-22-10).

QSL VY0/W2NTJ ---> Cezar, VE3LYC has now received the year 2000 logs for Jack's operations from Long Island (NA-173), Sleeper Islands (NA-159) and Kugong in the Belcher Islands (NA-196). Cezar can also confirm contacts made with Jack between 13 August and 23 December 2001 (some 3,500 QSOs - 90% from NA-173 and the rest from Namaska, Quebec). QSL direct only to Cezar Trifu, 410 College St., Kingston, Ontario K7L 4M7, Canada. Please note that neither Cezar nor Jack are able to confirm any contact made in previous years (1999, 1997, 1995, 1994 and even earlier), as those logs "have been lost forever".

[TNX VE3LYC and Islands On The Web]

QSL Z38B ---> Simonetta, IV3FSG is currently stationed in Macedonia and is active as Z38B. QSL via IK3GES. [TNX IV3FSG]

QSL VIA EA4DX ---> Roberto reports that all of the direct requests for H44RD and H40DX received up to 15 January have been processed. The logs for his previous operations - 3D2DX (Rotuma 1998), 3D2DX/p (Fiji 1998), 3D2DX (Fiji 1999), T24DX (1999) and 8Q7XX (1998 and 2000) - are still open and QSL cards should be sent direct only to Roberto Diaz, Doce de Octubre 4, 28009 Madrid, Spain.

QSL VIA RA1QQ ---> Nick (ra1qq@cscenter.ru) reports that all of the QSLs the operations from IOTA EU-160, EU-161, EU-147 and EU-082, as well as those for the RRC islands activities, have been sent. [TNX RA1QHJ]

YA0USA ----> Karl, K4YT has obtained a club license (YA0USA) which can be used by US government officials operating from the American Embassy in Kabul. Karl himself operated with this call earlier this week before leaving Kabul (QSL via K4YT). [TNX The Daily DX]

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LOGS: On-line logs for the recent IOTA operation from Sagar Island (AS-153) are now available at http://www.mdxc.org

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QSLs received direct: 4K5CW, 4L0G, 4U1ITU, 4W/CU3FT, 5A1A, 5H1X (AF-063), 5H1X/2, 5R8DL, 5R8GY (AF-090), 5W0DA (OC-097), 8P5A, 9A99P (EU-090), 9L1BTB, 9M2/JI1ETU (AS-015), 9M6TPR (AS-051), 9Q0AR, 9U5D, 9V1YC, AH2K/KH0, AP2ARS, AP2JZB, BI4F (AS-160), BI4FAS, BY4BSN, C6A/W9AU, C98DC (AF-066), CE0/IK5SQX (SA-001), CE7AOY/8 (SA-091), CO8ZZ, CT3/DK1BT, CU2AA, D68C (AF-007), E29AL (AS-101), EP3SHM,ER6A, ES8X (EU-178), EY8MM, FG/K6LA, FO0AND (OC-046), FO0DEH (OC-062), FO0DEH (OC-094), FO0DEH (OC-131), FP5AC, FR5FD, FY5FY, H44MX (OC-047),HB0/HA4DX/P, HB0/HB9AON, HC8N, HI3K, HP1/DL7CM, HS1OVH, HZ1AB, IR7GM, J28VS, J39A, J3A, J69AZ, J75J, J88DR, JT1BV, JT1DA, KG4DX, KH6/KF6GYM, KL5E, KL7JR (NA-050), KL7Y, LX1DA, LZ/IZ0CKJ (EU-181), LZ1JY, OA4SS, OD5/OK1MU, OD5YJ, P29IO, P29NB (OC-034), PS8HF/p (SA-025), PZ5RA, RZ0SR, RZ1OA/a, S79LE, SV2FPU/8 (EU-060), SV3/IZ0CKJ/p (EU-158), T32Z (OC-024), T77C, TA0/IZ0CKJ/P (AS-115), TA0/IZ0CKJ/P (AS-123), TA0/IZ0EGB/p (AS-123), TA0/IZ7ATN/p (AS-154), TE8AA, TF4RX (EU-168), TG/DL3GA, TG0R, TM2E, TU2DP, TY0CDX, TY22DX, TY68F, UA9CBO, UK8LA, UU2JZ, V63HO (OC-010), V73OD, V73UX, V8JA (OC-088), VE1/HB9BCK (NA-010), VE1/HB9BCK (NA-068), VK9CQ, VK9KND, VK9LO, VK9XV, VP2EMH, VP5/N5KW, VP5DX, VQ9RW, VU2ELJ, VU2PAI (AS-096), VY2/HB9BCK (NA-029), WP4F, XT2DX, XV9SW, XW0X, XW2A, XX9SC, YA5T, YB0ECT, YB1A, YB8HZ/p (OC-247), YJ0PD (OC-035), YN1EYE, YN4SU, ZA/IZ7DOO, ZA1A, ZD7K, ZD7VC (AF-022), ZD8K, ZK1AWG, ZK1CG, ZK1EPY (OC-013), ZK1FGV (OC-013), ZK1KDN, ZK1NCP, ZK1NDK (OC-082), ZK1TUG, ZS6EZ, ZV0SB (SA-014), ZY0SAT

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