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**** DX INFORMATION ****
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8Q - Carlos/EA1DGZ, Oscar/EC1KW, Roberto/EA1DBC, Joaquin/EA1AAW and Fernando/EA1CNF will operate from the Maldives (AS-013) for the CQ WW DX SSB Contest in late October. QSL via EC1KW, direct or bureau. Further details are expected in due course. [TNX EA1CNF]

BY - Fan, BA1RB will be active as BA1RB/2 from Ju Hua Island (AS-151) on 1-4 May. QSL via EA7FTR. [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

DL - Volker, DL1WH and others will operate special station DL0NBR from the Nuerburgring circuit on 7-8 May for the 24 Hours race and again on 27-29 May for the Formula 1 Grand Prix of Europe. QSL via bureau or direct to DL1WH. [TNX DL1WH]

EZ - EZ7V from Turkmenabat, Turkmenistan will be active as EZ60V until 15 May to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II. QSL via RW6HS or to the EZ7 QSL Bureau (IKAR, P.O.Box 49, Turkmenabat-22, 746100 Turkmenistan). [TNX EZ7V]

F - TM380 (Tango Mike Three Eight Zero, no suffix) is the special call to be aired soon on all bands to celebrate the maiden flight of the Airbus A380, "the largest, most advanced and efficient commercial airliner ever conceived". QSL via bureau or direct to F5GNY (Michel Valette, 1 rue des Mimosas, F- 31850 Beaupuy, France). [TNX F5QNL]

F - Jean-Paul, F5BZK will operate as TM6IO from Oleron Island (EU-032, DIFM AT-025) from 25 April to 8 May. QSL via home call. [TNX VA3RJ]

F - Laurent/F5MNK, Eric/F5LOW, Fabrice/F5NBQ, Jacky/F5OIU, Bertrand/F6HKA, Jean-Philippe/F4EEK and Christian/F1SDQ will be active (on 160-2 metres SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31) as TM0L from Levant Island (EU-070, DIFM ME-012) on 21-28 May. QSL via F5OIU. [TNX F8DQZ]

F - A multi-national team from France and Belgium will participate in the IOTA Contest (30-31 July) as TM4Z from Ouessant Island (EU-065). [TNX F5VCR]

G - In September 1939 the radio receivers of all radio amateurs were ordered to be confiscated, but many amateurs volunteered to became Voluntary Interceptors in their own homes. These V.I intercepted encrypted Enigma messages transmitted in Morse code which were passed to the code breakers at Bletchley Park, thus providing a most valuable service to the Allies. As a tribute to the work of the V.I.'s sixty years ago the Scarborough Special Events Group will operate SSB, PSK and CW as GB2HQ from GCHQ Scarborough on 7-8 May. QSL via G0OOO. A working Enigma machine has been provided for use by the SSEG and an enciphered Enigma message will be sent in Morse code on the amateur radio bands, for this event only. Further information, including details on the relevant certificate,

certificate, can be found at www.sseg.co.uk. [TNX F5NQL]

G - Wilf, G0WLF (9H1WS) and members of Cray Valley Radio Society will be operating as GB8OSJ on behalf of the Knights Hospitallers of the Sovereign Order of St John of Jerusalem (www.knightshospitallers.org) on 18-19 June. QSL via G4DFI. Any licensed member of the Order of St John is invited to contact Wilf (g0wlf@blueyonder.co.uk) with a view to arranging skeds with GB8OSJ and discussing the organisation of an annual amateur radio OSJ event from 2006. [TNX M3RCV]

GM - Members of the Scottish-Russian ARS and West of Scotland ARS will be active as GB6WW on 1-28 May to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the end of Worl War II. QSL via bureau or direct to MM0DFV (P.O. Box 7469, Glasgow, G42 0YD, Scotland, UK). Further information will be available on http://www.scotham.net [TNX MM0DFV]

HC - Rick NE8Z/HC1MD will operate CW and SSB on 80-10 metres from Tumbaco, Ecuador from 25 April to 11 May. He plans to pay special attention to the WARC bands on this trip, and to be active also on 6m CW and SSB. Rick will also be operating from various portable QTHs: as HC1MD/HC1 from Mt. Pichincha, as HC1MD/HC6 from Banos or Mt. Cotopaxi and as HC1MD/HC7 from Sierrazul near Baeza (Amazon jungle). QSL via K8LJG (John Kroll, 3528 Craig Drive, Flint, MI 48506, USA). Please view the HC-DX Awards at http://www.octavia.com/qsl/awards.htm [TNX NE8Z]

HL - Pyongtaek DX Club (D90HE) members Han/DS2GOO, Lee/6K2CEW, Chae/DS5BSX and Young/6K2ABX will be active on 80-10 metres SSB and RTTY as either D90HE/2 and homecall/p from Kukhwa Island (AS-105) on 20-22 May. QSL D90HE/2 via DS2GOO, others sia home call (direct or bureau). The web page for the operation is at http:myhome.naver.com/dxer2han/as105 [TNX DS2GOO]

HR - W7AV, K6JEN, and KB7TX will be active from Utila Island (NA-057), Honduras on 18-30 June. They will operate SSB, CW and PSK on 40-15 metres, and will concentrate on 6 metres when and if they have an opening. They will have a breakable CW beacon (HR9/W7AV) directed towards the US on 50110 kHz. QSL via home calls. [TNX OZ6OM]

HV - Francesco, IK0FVC has been active since 20 April as HV0A from the Vatican City to celebrate the election of the new Pope Benedict XVI. QSL via IK0FVC.

I - Giovanni/IK2JYT, Ernesto/I2FUG e Oscar/IK2AQZ plan to operate casual style from EU-155 on 23-24 April. [TNX IK2JYT]

I - Laura, IZ1DFL reports that IU1PV will be the call to be used during the 11-12 June activity from the lighthouse at Punta Vagno [425DXN 727].

I - ARI Taranto will operate special station IU7SCT from 23 April through the end of the year to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the Scout movement in Taranto. QSL via IK7BPV, direct or bureau. [TNX IZ7AUH]

KH2 - Aki, JR1VAY will operate as AH2J from Guam on 22-25 April, SP DX RTTY Contest (23-24 April) included. QSL via bureau to home call. [TNX JR1VAY]

LU_ant - Henry, LU4DXU reports that the following stations are QRT, as the relevant Bases closed down in March: LU1ZAB (Teniente Matienzo Base), LU1ZC (Decepcion Detachment), LU1ZS (Juan Camara Deatchment). Still active stations include LU1ZD (General San Martin, AA LU-11)

LU1ZG (General Manuel Belgrano II, AA LU-08), LU1ZV (Esperanza, AA LU-06) and LU4ZS (Vicecomodoro Gustavo A. Marambio, AA LU-03, IOTA AN-013) from Antarctica; LU1ZA (Orcadas del Sur, AA LU-14, IOTA AN-008) from the South Orkneys; LU1ZI (Teniente Jubany, AA LU-15, IOTA AN-010) from the South Shetlands. Further information will be avalaible at http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/activity/2005.htm [TNX LU4DXU & IZ8CGS]

OZ - Siggi/DL1AZZ, Peter/DL4AMK, Lutz/DL3ARK, Stefan/DL3ASK, Dieter/DK1AW and Heiko/DG0OGM will be active as (on 160-6 metres, plus 2m on 3 May) OZ/homecall from Mandoe Island (EU-125, DIA NS-003) from 30 April to 7 May. QSL via bureau to home calls. [TNX DL2VFR and DL3ARK]

S7 - Frederic, HB9CQK will be active as S79QK [425DXN 728] from Denis Island (AF-024) from 27 April to 2 May and from Alphonse Island (AF-033) on 3-8 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX VA3RJ]

SV - Tomas, LY1DF will operate as SV8/LY1DF from the Cyclades Islands (EU-067) on 27 April and as SV5/LY1DF from the Dodecanese (EU-001) from 28 April to 4 May. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX NG3K]

T32 - Nando, IT9YRE reports that he has been issued the call T32S for the September-October IOTA DXpedition to East Kiribati [425DXN 728].

TK - Laci, HA0HW and Tomi, HA4DX will be active as TK/HA0HW and TK/HA4DX from Corsica (EU-014) on 22-29 May. They plan to operate on all HF bands CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31; a side trip to one of the other IOTA groups (EU-100, EU-104 and EU-164) is being taken into consideration and will depend on local conditions. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX HA0HW]

TT - Pierre, TT8AMO (HB9AMO) and Mike, TT8M (PA5M) will remain in Chad until sometime in August. So far they have made about 9000 QSOs on all bands, including 228 on 160 and 1171 on 80 metres. Operations on 160m and 80m are over, but there will be an emphasis on 6 metres starting around mid June. Mike will also try to get a licence that enables him to operate digital modes. QSL for both TT8M and TT8AMO via PA7FM; the cards will be printed as soon as possible. [TNX PA7FM]

UA - Victor, RV3YR and other operators from the "Fifth Ocean" International Flight ARC (http://www.qsl.net/5ocean) will operate (on 10-160 metres SSB, CW and digital modes) special call RP3YGA/p from the Russian Pilots memorial in Brjansk region on 5-12 May, CQ-M International DX Contest included. QSL direct to RV3YR (Victor Borodin, P.O. Box 1, Bryansk, 241027 Russia). [TNX RV3YR]

UN - Expect a number of UP60 prefixes to be aired on all bands and modes from on 5-15 May from Kazakhstan to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II. Vladimir, UN7EX will operate as UP60EX; QSL via RX3RC, direct (Roman A. Novikov, P.O. Box 21, 392000 Tambov, Russia) or bureau. Other calls mentioned include UP60CI, UP60CN, UP60CD, UP60CC, UP60CH, UP60CJ, UP60CS and UP60CA. [TNX RX3RC and UN8CC]

VE - Guy, VE2QRA, will be active from Anticosti Island (NA-077, CISA QC-001) at the lighthouse of Pointe-Carleton (CAN 395) from 31 July to 5 August. It will be a holiday style operation on 80-6 metres mostly SSB, with 100 watts and wire antennas. QSL direct to VE2QRA

(Guy Bouchard, 1108 rue Dollard, Val-Belair, Quebec G3K 1W6, Canada) [TNX VE2QRA]

W - The Marconi Radio Club (W1AA/MSC) will be active during the International Marconi Day to represent Marconi 1901 Nantucket ship-to-shore station MSC (http://www.gb4imd.co.uk/nantucket.htm). This will be a CW only operation, as CW was the only mode used at the Marconi Station MSC on the Island of Nantucket. QSL via W1AA, bureau or (for US stations) direct. [TNX K1VV]

YB - Special station YE50AA will be active on 22-24 April for the Asian-African Summit and Commemoration of the Golden Jubilee of the Bandung Conference of 1955 which is currently taking place in Bandung, Indonesia. Information on the relevant award, issued by the Organisasi Amatir Radio Indonesia (ORARI), can be found at http://www.oraripusat.net/ [TNX YB1TC and YB0ECT]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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5T ---> Jean, 5T0JL (ON8RA) and Nicolas, 5T5SN report that 5T5AFF, 5T5HC, 5T5BAB, 5T5HHN and 5T5LCW were not properly licenced, "as verified and confirmed by Mauritanian licencing authority". They say that the same applies to "previous operations conducted by the above cited". [TNX G3SWH]

ANTARCTICA BASES MOST WANTED ---> Having reached and gone beyond the 100th certificate issued, the Mediterraneo DX Club is now able to work on a few statistics. The "most wanted" Antarctica Award bases are listed at http://www.mdxc.org/antarctica/mostwanted.asp [TNX IZ8CCW]

COLOMBIA DX CONTEST ---> The Colombia International DX Contest (CW and SSB) will take place from 00.00 UTC on 23 April to 23.59 on the 24th. Rules can be found at http://www.dxcolombia.com/contest.htm. [TNX HK1XX]

CQ DX MARATHON ---> At the International DX Convention in Visalia, California CQ magazine announced the revival of the long-dormant CQ DX Marathon, last run in 1948. The new CQ DX Marathon will essentially be a year-long DX contest, with stations competing to contact as many different countries ("entities") and CQ Zones of the world as possible over a full-year period, then starting again at zero at the beginning of the next year. The first running of the event will be in 2006. Complete details and rules for the new CQ DX Marathon will be published in the May issue of CQ magazine and will be posted on www.cq-amateur-radio.com

KP1-5 PROJECT ---> On 8 April the KP1-5 Project [425DXN 720] representatives

made a comprehensive presentation on the issues and facts to Congressional staff and other interested parties. This must be a 'grass-roots' effort: every U.S. ham is a potential supporter of H.R. 1183, and the more support given to the bill by state-side operators, the more likely the bill will be approved by the Congress. For full information on the project and details on what to do, please visit www.kp1-5.com or contact the KP1-5 Project Director, Mike Thomas, NA5U (na5u@kp1-5.com).

RD1AL/0 ---> Victor Karassev, RD1AL was active for a few days as RD1AL/0 from the North Pole 33 (NP-33) drifting station. QSL via home call, direct (Victor Karassev, P.O. Box 73, St. Petersburg, 191126 Russia) or bureau. [TNX DL5EBE]

QSL EZ8CQ ---> Cards should be sent direct to Alex. S. Levshin, P.O. Box 76, Ashgabat-1, 744001, Turkmenistan. "Alex does not work CW and DJ1MM never was his QSL manager", Vasilij, RW6HS says.

QSL V73CS ---> As of 19 April, Kim Larson, daughter of N3SL, is the manager for Stephen Clark, V73CS. Cards already are on hand, and logs are in route and will be posted on www.qsl.net/n3sl/manager.htm. The address for direct cards is: Kim Larson, 22 N Hidden Acres Dr, Sioux City, IA 51108, USA. [TNX N3SL]

QSL VIA ON5NT ---> Ghis, ON5NT has been active as A6/ON5NT from the UAE since late March and will remain there through June, with a two-week holiday period in the second half od May. Cards will be ready in August. QSL via home call (Ghis Penny, P.O. Box 93, BE-9700 Oudenaarde, Belgium). Incoming direct cards for 5U7JB, A61AV/p (AS-124) and A61Q/p (AS-021) are being answered during his absence. Former call signs Ghis manages will be taken care of when he is on leave at home. [TNX ON5NT]

ST2BF ---> Fernando, ST2BF (EA4BB) [425DXN 723] is currently active on 10, 15 and 20 metres only. "I have been told by some amateurs that they worked ST2BF on 40m CW", he says. "That is certainly someone just having fun with my callsign, but not me". The QSL manager for contacts made with the genuine ST2BF is Joe, W3HNK.

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*** NEWS FROM THE WEB ***
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C56M: Gerben, PG5M is back home after his operation from The Gambia (2729 CW QSOs). The full story can be found at http://www.dx.to/. Cards have been ordered and are expected from the printer within a few weeks. [TNX PG5M]

JIIA: The web page for the Japanese IOTA Islands Award is at http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage61.htm; scores can be found at http://www3.ocn.ne.jp/~iota/newpage75.htm (latest update 15 April 2005). [TNX JI6KVR]

YB7M: Pictures of the March operation from Moresses Island (OC-268) can be found at www.mdxc.org/yb7m [TNX IZ8CCW]

QSLs received direct or through managers: 3B8CF, 3D2FI (OC-156), 3D2VB, 4U1UN, 5U7JB, 5W0VB, 5Z4DZ, 6F1IHF (NA-183), 6O0CW, 6W/F6HLC, 8P6GU, 8P9NX, 8R1RPN, 9Y4W, A35VB, A61Q, AH3D, BD7OH, C6AMM, C6ANM, CE6/HA1AG (SA-061), CN29V,CN2R,CV5D, CW5R (SA-039), CX1SI, EA9IE, EL2PM, FG5FR, FP/VE7SV,FS/AH8DX,H40VB, HE3RSI,HK0/W6NV, IH9P,J88DR, JD1/JR6TYH, KG6DX, LR4D (SA-055), OC4WW,OJ0J, OJ0SM, OM0M, P40MH, P49Y,PJ5NA, S21BI (AS-140), S9A, S9BB, SN3A, ST2CF, T48K, T88CW, T96Q,TA2ZF, TE2M, TI8M, TJ3FR, TJ3G, TJ3SP, TM0HQ, TM1X (EU-032), TR8DF, TX9,V26G, V31YN, VK0MT, VK9NS, VP8RAF, VR2BG, VU4NRO, VU4RBI, W4D (NA-213), WH8/F6EXV, XF1K (NA-164 and NA-165), XF3T (NA-200), XQ3AQI, XW0X, YI9VCQ, YJ0VB, Z33Z, ZA1B, ZD7BG, ZD7MY, ZD8Z, ZK3DX, ZL1AA, ZS8MI.

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