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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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4U1 - 4U50SPACE was active from the United Nations HQ (4U1UN) on 4-5 October (but the station on 30 metres at around 23.30 UTC was a pirate). This special callsign celebrates the 50th anniversary of the launch of the Sputnik, and can be used during the World Space Week (4-10 October). QSL via HB9BOU. [TNX The Daily DX]

5X - Arik, EK6DO (ex YI/EK6DO and 5H3AA) is now active as 5X1AB from Kampala, Uganda. QSL via K6EID. [TNX K6EID]

5Z - Miki, YT1CS expects to operate mainly SSB on 10-80 metres as 5Z4/YT1CS from Kenya starting on 6 October, presumably through the end of the month. He intends to be active from IOTA group AF-067. QSL via home call. [TNX YT1HA]

6W - Albert, F5VHJ will be active as 6W1RY from Senegal on 22-28 October, including an entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. QSL via home call. [TNX F5VHJ]

6Y - Rick, N0NJY/6Y5 and JoAnne, KB0IRW/6Y5 will be active holiday style from Jamaica on 12-14 October. Expect them to operate SSB on 20 metres between 17 and 21 UTC. QSL via home calls. They have a blog at http://jamaicadxpedition2007.blogspot.com/ [TNX N0NJY]

8Q7 - Claudio, HB9OAU reports he will operate holiday style as 8Q7AU from Dhonveli Island, Maldives (AS-013) from 29 October to 10 November.

CE - Roberto, YV5IAL will be active QRP as CE2/YV5IAL from Chile on 15-21 October. He plans to operate PSK31 daily on 14070.15 (from 22 to 00 UTC) and ocasionally on 10, 15 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX YV5GRB]

CT - Arlindo, CT1EGW will be active as CT7EPO on 19-21 October. The special callsign celebrates the Gold Jubilee of the JOTA Scout event (EPO stands for Escoteiros de Portugal). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [TNX CT1EGW]

E5 - Bill, N7OU will be active as E51NOU from Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands from 8 October to 3 November, including a "casual effort" in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest. He plans to run low power and to operate mostly CW on 80-10 metres. During weekdays operating will be limited to his spare time. QSL via N7OU. [TNX NG3K]

EI - On 17 October 1907 Guglielmo Marconi sent his first commercial message from the station at Clifden, Ireland. In celebration of this historic event, members of the Galway Radio Experimenters Club will be running a special event station on 13-17 October from Clifden. The callsign EI100MFT has been issued for the event, MFT being the last callsign used on the original station. [TNX VA3RJ]

FO0 - The French authorities have granted the landing permit to TX5C, the Clipperton 2008 DXpedition [425DXN 839]. Departure date is 28 February, arriving on Clipperton around 4 March. Plans are to operate 12-14 days depending on conditions, with 100,000+ contacts as a goal. The current roster includes N6OX, N7CQQ, K4SV, N2WB,

N6HC, W8AEF, WA1S, K6SGH, K3VN, VE7VR, F5AHO, F5PAC, AD6E, VA7DX, F6BFH, F5JY, F8FDN, FM5CD and F6FVY. The web site for the expedition is at www.clipperton2008.org

G - Mick, G3LIK reports he will be active as GB4RN on 1-21 November, which will include the RNARS CW Activity Contest on 17-18 November (rules at http://www.rnars.org.uk/RNARS_Contest_2007.htm).

HB9 - Special event station HB9SPACE will be active during the World Space Week (4-10 October) from the Amateur Radio Club at the Swiss Air Force Museum in Payerne, Switzerland. This is to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the launch of Sputnik 1, the first human-made satellite. QSL via HB4FR (bureau).

HR - Javier, HR2J reports that his announced one-month HQ8R operation from Swan Island (NA-035) [425DXN 856] has been cancelled. Read the details on qrz.com under HQ8R.

JA - Look for JF6OID/6, JF6TPI/6, JK6IJE/6, JH6ATP/6 and JE6AUG/6 to be active from Oki Island (AS-036, JIIA AS-036-006) on 6 October. They will operate SSB on the HF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [TNX JI6KVR]

J5 - The F6KOP Team will be active as J5C from Bubaque Island (AF-020), Guinea Bissau on 10-21 January 2008. Fifteen operators (namely F4AJQ, F6AML, F5JSD, F5VHQ, F5TVG, F5PED, F4TTR, F8BUI, F8BJI, F2JD, F2VX, F9IE, N2WB, N6OX and OE8KDK) will be active on 160-10 metres SSB, CW, digital modes, SSTV and FM with five stations. QSL via F5TVG, direct or bureau. [TNX F6AML]

OH0 - Hans, SM0BYD will operate CW as OH0/SM0BYD from the Aland Islands (EU-002) for 24 hours during the weekend of 13-14 October. He plans to be QRV on as many HF bands as time permits, and on 6 metres, if possibile. QSL via home call. [TNX SM0BYD]

PA - Special event station PA50JOTA (www.scoutnet.nl/~jota) will be active on 17-31 October from Nieuweroord to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Jamboree On The Air. QSL via PA3EFR. [TNX PA3EFR]

PA - Special event callsign PF30FRG will be aired in December to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Frisian Radio Amateur Group (FRAG) in Leeuwarden, The Netherlands. QSL via PI4FRG. [TNX PE1OLM]

PZ - The 4M5DX Group is organizing an expedition to take place from Suriname during the first half of January. The multi-national team will include Pedro/HK1X, Diego/LU8ADX, Olli/OH0XX, Ramon/PZ5RA, Spiros/SV8CS, Ramon/XE1KK, Alex/YV5SSB, Paquale/YV5KAJ and Jose/YV5TX. They plan to have three stations active for ten days and to operate as PZ5YV on 160-6 metres CW, SSB and RTTY. QSl via IT9DAA, direct or bureau. Financial assistance is being sought to help offset the costs; for further information please visit http://pz5yv.4m5dx.org/ [TNX IT9DAA]

S7 - Leo/IZ5FSA, Stefano/IW5DPF and Luca/I5IHE will be active as S79LL, S79SO and S79LC from Praslin Island (AF-024), Seychelles on 14-19 October. QSL via home calls, direct only. [TNX IZ5FSA]

T31 - Toshi, JA8BMK has cancelled his trip to Central Kiribati [425DXN 855] because his amplifier broke. He left Tarawa, West Kiribati (T30XX) and is currently in Fiji (3D2WW) "for a few days" before returning home. [TNX The Daily DX]

T6 - John, KE6GFF will be in Afghanistan for the third time and will operate from Kabul as T6EE from about 18 October to 12 November. Look for him on or around 14210 kHz. QSL via home call (John Kountz,

1065 van Dyke Dr., Laguna Beach, CA 92651, USA). The QSL cards for his past activities (2004 and 2006) are being sent out, "albeit slowly". [TNX KE6GFF]

T8 - Francesco, I2DMI reports he will be active holiday style as T88RY from Koror (OC-009), Palau from 26 December through 1 January 2008. He will operate RTTY only on the HF bands and 6 metres. Depending on propagation, look for him 3582, 7037, 14082, 21082, 28082, 10139, 18102, 24922 and 50602 kHz, split up 2 (or 2-10, depending on the pile-up). Logs will be available on-line (http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?t88ry) and will be uploaded to LoTW during the second week of January. QSL via I2DMI. Bureau cards will be sent out in March; those who prefer to go direct can mail their requests to Francesco Di Michele, P.O. Box 55, 22063 Cantu' - CO, Italy.

UN - UP50SAT will be aired during the month of October from Baykonur, Kazakhstan to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the launch of Sputnik 1. The operators are UN7SW, UA9LAK/UN, UN7FW, EU1FC, RV3AR, RN3ADS and RU3AWD. QSL via RV3AR, bureau preferred.

V4 - Scott, NE1RD will operate as V4/NE1RD from St. Kitts (NA-104) on 24-31 October, CQ WW DX SSB Contest included. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Further information can be found at http://dxpedition-v4.com [TNX NG3K]

VE - Igor/VE3ZF, Ken/VE3FDX, Bill/K5YG, Travis/W5GED, John/VA2MCJ and Eugene/N2AA will be active from Orleans Island (NA-128) on 18-21 October. They will be signing VE3ZF/2 (CW and SSB) and W5GED/VE2 (RTTY and PSK), while during the W/VE Islands QSO Party (20-21 October) the callsign will be VE2IDX. QSL VE2IDX via VE3ZF, others via home call. The website for the operation is at http://www.ve2z.com/ [TNX VE3ZF]

VE - Igor/VE3ZF, Ken/VE3FDX, Bill/K5YG, Travis/W5GED, John/VA2MCJ and Eugene/N2AA will be active from Port Cartier (Zone 2) on 24-28 October. They will be signing VE8DX/2 (CW and SSB) and K5YG/VE2 (RTTY and PSK), while during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest the callsign will be VE2Z. QSL VE2Z via VE3ZF, QSL VE8DX/2 via N5FG, QSL K5YG/VE2 via home call. The website for the operation is at http://www.ve2z.com/ [TNX VE3ZF]

VE - Noel, VE2BR and Gregg, VE3ZZ will participate in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest as VC2Z from Mercier, Quebec (Zone 5). QSL via VE2BR. [TNX VE3ZZ]

VK9L - Haru, JA1XGI will be active as VK9GLX from Lord Howe Island (OC-004) on 19-22 October. He plans to operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 40, 30 and 20 metres. QSL via JA1XGI (direct or bureau) or W8XGI (direct only). [TNX W1AW]

VP5 - Bob, K0OK and Dale, KB7UB, will be active as VP5/K0OK and VP5/KB7UB from Providenciales (NA-002), Turks and Caicos Islands on 6-11 December. Look for activity on 6 through 160 metres CW and SSB. They will be operating in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest as VP5E (K0OK) and VP5UB (KB7UB). QSL via home calls. Online logs will be available at http://www.dxer.com/dxlogs/; all QSOs will be uploaded to LOTW. [TNX K0OK]

VP6D - The VP6DX team (Ducie Island, February 2008) is still very busy preparing the equipment for a shipment in November. The current roster includes DL3DXX, DL6FBL, DL6LAU, DL8LAS, ES5TV, K3NA, N5IA,

RA3AUU, SP3DOI, SP5XVY, SV1JG, UA3AB and WA6CDR. Donations are being sought, as the team is still needing about US$ 50,000. Details on how to contribute and updates on the expedition can be found at http://www.vp6dx.com

W - N3A will be operated through the end of October to celebrate the third anniversary of the North American QRP CW Club. QSL via WY3H. Further information at http://www.arm-tek.net/~yoel/ [TNX VA3RJ]

W - Special event station W3B will operate from the Blackistone Lighthouse on St. Clements Island (USI MD-028R, not IOTA) from 14 to 20 UTC on 13 October. Operation will cover 40, 20 and 17 metres SSB. QSL via KA3UNQ (see QSLling instructions at qrz.com). [TNX KA3UNQ]

YB - Hans, PA0HOP/YB9AQH [425DXN 852] reports he will operate CW only until 27 October. Look for him mainly around 14020 and 18071 kHz. He is on Bali Island (OC-022). QSL via PA0HOP, direct or bureau.

YV - The Radio Club Venezolano will be active as YW3AJ from Portuguesa State (FJ59mp) on 11-14 October. Four stations will be active around the clock on 160-6 metres all modes, plus VHF/UHF. QSL via YV5AJ, direct or bureau. Full information on the Diploma Estados Venezolanos (Venezuelan States Award) can be found at http://radioclubvenezolano.org/concurso.htm [TNX YV5AJ]

YV - A group of five YL operators from Venezuela (namely YY4LCG, YY4AND, YY5EVA, YY4CVI and YY5ALO) will be active as YW6YL from Chimana Grande (SA-090) on 12-16 December. QSL via IT9DAA. The website for the operation is at http://yw6yl.4m5dx.org/ [TNX 4X4-2238]

SOUTH AMERICA TOUR ---> Andrea, IK1PMR and Claudia, IZ1GLO/K2LEO will be touring South America between early November and early December. They plan to take part in the major CW/RTTY contests, with CW/RTTY on the WARC and low bands on week-days. Their tentative schedule is the following:

10-11 November WAE RTTY: CW2C (multi) or K2LEO/CX & IK1PMR/CX
17-18 November LZ DX: IK1PMR/LU & K2LEO/LU (requested)
24-25 November CQWW CW: ZP0R (op IK1PMR); ZP6/IZ1GLO RTTY operations
01-02 December ARRL 160m: ZP0R (op IK1PMR); TARA RTTY: ZP6/IZ1GLO
08-09 December ARRL 10m: CW2C (multi) or IK1PMR/CX & K2LEO/CX

Updates will be posted on www.ik1pmr.com, as they will have Internet access from all locations. [TNX IK1PMR]

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**** GOOD TO KNOW ... ****
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HS0ZHR ---> Eric, SM1TDE/HS0ZHR reports he is back in Sweden, as he has had to leave Thailand much earlier than planned [425DXN 854].

QSL EA6/LU5FF ---> The correct QSL route is via home call, LU5FF (not via EA7FTR).

QSL UE0LAA ---> Vlado, UA0LCZ reports that he has received the blank cards for UE0LAA (Chikhachev Island, 1-6 August 2007) from the printer. QSL direct (Vladimir Miroshnichenko, P.O. Box 41-21, Vladivostok-41, 690041, Russia) or

bureau.

TOP LISTS ---> The latest Topband, Topmode and Toplist listings are now available at http://www.425dxn.org/awards/toplist/index.html. Please send your scores, as well as any request for further information, to Erminio Pandocchi, I2EOW (i2eow@ari.it)

+ SILENT KEYS + The Daily DX reports that Dimitar Terziev, LZ5AZ, one of the founding members of the World Wide Young Contesters (WWYC), passed away at 23 years of age. Other recently reported silent keys include Ukrainian DXer Alexsandr Kuznetsov, UY5EG and Spanish EME enthusiast Jose Maria Prat, EA3DXU.

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QSLs received direct or through managers: 1A0KM, 3B7SP, 3B8CF, 3D2ER, 4A3IH, 4L1MA, 4N6FZ, 5B4AIF, 5N6EAM, 5Z4RT, 6F75A, 6W2SC, 7U5CI (AF-104), 7X4AN, 7Z1HL, 9M6XRO, A25OOK, A61Q/p, BS7H, C6AXD, C98GLO (AF-072), CN2BC, CS6V, CU2M, CU3ABR, CU7/DL5AXX, DP0GVN, E51QMA (OC-080), EJ2MT (EU-121), EK3GM, EP3HF, ER1DA, FM5BH, FO/N6JA, FO5PS, FW0MO, FW0YL, FY1FL, G4GIR/KH9, HC1HC, HD2A, HH2FYD, HI0C (NA-122), HI3CCP, HP2/CX2AM (NA-170), HP3EFS, HR1LW, HV0A, J3/DL5AXX, J48NAR, J5UAP, J79PAK, K4I, KH6QR, KP2A, N8S, OA4/N6XQ, OH1VR/VP9, OJ0VR, OX/PA3EXX/P (NA-243), OX2A, P33W, P3A, P41USA, PJ2/KA9FOX, PJ2G, R0UPOL, R1FJM, R1FJT, S21RC, SO6Y, SY8AN, TE8IP, TI2KI, TY5ZR, UA6AF/P (EU-185), UE1RFF/1 (EU-102), UN7JX, UN9PQ, UP0F, V31M, V63JJ, V63M, V73NS, V73Y, VE1AWP/1 (NA-126), VO1PJN, VP2ETL, VP2MRM, VP5DX, VP8CQS, VQ9LA, VR10XMT, VR2C, XE3RBA, XT2SE, XU7AYY, XU7TZG, XX9TWB, YB1A, YI1HXH, YJ0ONM, ZD8RH/p, ZP6CW.

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