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**** DX INFORMATION ****

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7X - Fred, ON6QR will be active from the Algerian Radio Amateurs Association's club station, 7X2ARA, from 20 UTC on 17 January until the early morning of the 18th. He will operate both CW and SSB during the Hungarian DX Contest. QSL via 7X2ARA. [TNX NG3K]

CT - Marq, CT1BWW says he will be active as CS6BWW during the main contests in January, February and March. QSl via bureau.

HS - Joerg, DL1MJF (HS0ZGQ) will be active from Thailand from 20 January to 12 February. He will spend one week on Koh Samui (AS-101) during that time frame. Look for HS0ZGQ/2 to operate CW and SSB on 40-10 metres with 100 watts into a dipole. QSL via DL1MJF.

I - The Amateur Radio Group of RAI (the Italian public service broadcaster) will be active as II2RAI until 31 December to celebrate two landmark anniversaries: the 55th of the first television broadcast (January 1954) and the 85th of the first radio broadcast (October 1924). QSL via bureau to IQ2RD. The logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [TNX IQ2RD]

J7 - Seth, SM0XBI will be active again as J79XBI from Dominica (NA-101) from 17 January until around 1 April. He will operate SSB only. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [TNX NG3K]

LY - Celebrating the Millennium of Lithuania, fourteen LY1000 stations will be active at various stages until 31 August. Further information, including details on the relevant award, can be found on the Lithuanian Amateur Radio Society's website at http://www.lrmd.ivi.lt/en/awards.htm [TNX OPDX Bulletin]

LZ - Special event stations LZ8WHST and LZ17ARDF are active until September to promote the 8th World High Speed Telegraphy Championship (http://www.hst2009.eu) and the 17th IARU Region 1 ARDF Championships (http://www.ardf2009.eu/) that will be held in Obzor, Bulgaria on 11-15 and 16-21 September respectively. QSL LZ8WHST via LZ1PJ, QSL LZ17ARDF via LZ1ZF.

V3 - Gerd, DJ4KW (V31YN) and Gisela, DK9GG (V31GW) will be active from Belize from 19 January to early March, including a number of contests. From 26 February to 3 March look for V31YN/p to be active from NA-180. QSLs via home calls (direct or bureau), or LoTW. [TNX The Daily DX]

VP8 - The group of YLs going to the Falkland Islands (SA-002) on 17-31 January [425DXN 899] includes Ruth/IT9ESZ (VP8YLI), Mio/JR3MVF (VP8YLF), Unni/LA6RHA (VP8YLD), Liz/M0ACL (VP8YLB), Nicky/M5YLO (VP8YLE), Chantal/PA3GQG (VP8YLH), Victoria/SV2KBS (VP8YLG) and Jeanie/WA6UVF (VP8YLA). QSL via home calls. They also expect to operate under the local YL club callsign (VP8YLC). Expect activity on 10-80 metres, mainly SSB, with four stations. Updates will be posted at http://www.radioclubs.net/aa_vp8yl_/

VP9 - The Radio Society of Bermuda reports that special prefix VP9400 has been authorized for use during 2009 to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Bermuda by Sir George Somers. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

W - The District of Columbia Amateur Radio Society (NW3DC) will be active as W3A on 17-24 January in honour of the inauguration of the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama. Main activity is expected to be on 20 and 40 metres. QSL via W3DQ (direct), bureau and LoTW. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

YB9 - Adhi, YB3MM will be active as YB3MM/9 from Nanggu Island (OC-150) on 16-18 January. He will operate holiday style, concentrating on 17 metres CW and RTTY. His operating times will also depend on the local electric supply. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or bureau [TNX IZ8CCW]

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9A POSTAL RATES ---> Tom, 9A2AA reports a raise in Crotian postal rates. The new rates for surface mail letters to any country are 8 Kuna (up to 50 grams) and 15 Kuna (50-100 grams). The new rates for air mail letters up to 20 grams are 10 Kuna (to Europe), 11 Kuna (to USA), 11.2 Kuna (to Japan) and 12 Kuna (Australia and New Zealand). The exhange rate is 1 IRC = 10.5 Kuna, and 1 USD = 5 Kuna. IRCs without the issuing Post Office stamp in the left box cannot be redeemed.

CQ & EQSL CONFIRMATIONS ---> CQ Editor Rich Moseson (W2VU) and eQSL Founder and Webmaster Dave Morris (N5UP) announced on 13 January that "CQ magazine will accept contact confirmations made on the eQSL.cc electronic confirmation system for its operating awards effective immediately". Read the announcement at http://www.eqsl.net/qslcard/PR-20090113CQ.cfm; for more information on eQSL and CQ awards, please visit http://www.eQSL.cc and http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/ respectively.

HI9/EA3BT & HI9/EA3WL ---> Josep, EA3BT and Nuria, EA3WL have prepared a website for their 21-27 January operation from Cayo Levantado (NA-122) [425DXN 923]. Please visit http://www.ea3bt.com for further information on this activity and on-line logs.

KP5 TEAM PREPARES FOR EUROPE ---> The KP1-5 Project is very aware of the need for Desecheo in Europe. Previous DXpeditions contended with an obstructed path to Europe making working this #3 most needed country, difficult at best. During the recent reconnaissance trip to the island, agreement was reached that will allow antennas to be placed on a ridgeline above the helipad that will give a clear path to Europe. See the photos showing the problem and the plan at http://www.kp5.us/ (click on News/Updates): the team wants to provide as many EU hams with a QSO as possible! Please visit also http://www.kp5.us/help.htm to support this DXpedition. [TNX NA5U]

LOGS ---> Roland, F8EN (TR8CR) is still active with his special callsign, TR50R. The first batch of QSOs is now available for on-line search at http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php [TNX F6AJA]

QSL NA-086 ---> The QSL routes for the recent activities from IOTA group NA-086 are as follows:
CM6RCR/p 15-22 December via W3HNK
CO6LC/p 15-22 December via home call (direct)
CO7PH/p 15-18 December via W3HNK
T47C 19-21 December via W3HNK
Ed, CO7PH says that the operations have been approved for IOTA credit and the QSL cards are being printed.

QSL S52BB ---> Buzz, NI5DX is now the QSL manager for Zivko, S52BB. He will be able to answer all QSL requests once the new cards are received from the printer in about 4-5 weeks. [TNX K1XN and The Golist]

QSL VIA RA4LW ---> Vlad says he is the new QSL manager for either ER4DX and ER0WW. QSL direct only to Vladimir V. Ryabov, P.O. Box 2, Dimitrovgrad, 433508, Russia.

SRT DX CONVENTION ---> The 6th International DX Convention organized by the Strange Radio Team will take place on 18-19 April at the Best Western Hotel Esplanade, Paestum (Salerno). Please visit www.strangeradioteam.com for full details on the programme, or e-mail idxc@strangeradioteam.com for further information. [TNX IZ8EDJ]

TROPOSHERIC DUCTING ---> Information on the trans-Atlantic tropospheric ducting attempt between Namibia (V5/N7BHC) and Brazil (ZY6Y and PT1A) can be found at http://transatlantic.japydx.org and http://tinyurl.com/v51-n7bhc [TNX PY2ZX]

TS7C ---> The website (http://www.ts7c.net/) has been down since 15 January at around 22 UTC. It might be up and running again before the end of the expedition, but the on-line logs are unlikely to be updated. TS7C will go QRT at 7 UTC on 18 January, as the team will leave the island around 14 UTC. [TNX F5NQL]

WCA ---> The World Castles Award is for working stations operating from castles located in Belarus, Belgium, Czech Republic, England, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, Switzerland, The Netherlands and Ukraine. Complete information can be found at http://www.rz1cwc.qrz.ru/ [TNX RN1CW]

+ SILENT KEYS + Emil F. Malek, W6GVM passed away on 26 December 2008 at 92 years of age. Cab, N6OC says he was "very active in ham radio chasing DX, gaining Honor Roll Membership and #1 Honor Roll plaque, staying at the top to the end". Other recently reported Silent Keys include, Bill Moorwood (G3CAQ), Primo Bombardini (I4BNR), Lloyd 'Shally' Shallenberger (K6VHP), Linda Walworth (KE5TF), Olavo Rufino (PY5BAZ) and Anatolij N. Tselikov (UR5FJ).

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******* QSL ROUTES *******

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CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER	CALL	MANAGER
3Z2009PGA	SP2FAP	ED7TV/p	EA7TV	SN90HUO	SP3HUO
4K6OF	UA3FDX	EK3AA	IK2QPR	SN90MKW	SQ3MKW
4K9W	DL6KVA	EM70Q	UY5QZ	SN90SPK	SP3SPK
4L1UN	EA7FTR	EY8MM	K1BV	SV0XBM/9	G3PDL
4L6DL	LZ1OT	FK8DD	LZ1JZ	T30HC	DL9HCU
4Z8AY	F5LGE	FM5FJ	KU9C	T88CP	JA6UBY
4Z8BB	WC1X	H44MS	DL2GAC	T88HK	JE6DND
5C5W	EA5XX	HE8CIC	HB9CIC	T88HS	JA6KYU
5D0IPY	I0YKN	HE8DAX	HB9DAX	T88ME	7N1RTO
5X1AB	K6EID	HE8FAP	HB9FAP	T88SM	JA6EGL
7S3F	SM3AF	HE8TMW	HB9TMW	TA7/KI6TIU	JA1PBV
7Z1UG	DG1XG	HE8XC	HB9XC	TI2TL	IN3DEI
8Q7AK	G7COD	HF0APAS	SP9YI	TI3/WA7UZO	AI4U
8R44USA	8R1AK	HK1JKL	EA5KB	TL8PRV	IN3EYY
9G5SW	DC8XL	HL0LPM/2	6K2BWA	TM5B	F6KEH
9H3BX	G3TZM	HR9/IK2QPR	IK2QPR	TR50R	F6AJA
9H3HOD	OH2HOD	IY4FGM	IK4UPU	TS7C	F4EGD
9H3ME	OH2ME	J28KO	F6DKI	UE1NFF	RN1NU
9H3OT	OH2OT	J5UAP	HA3AUI	UE1QSK	UA1RJ
9J2BO	G3TEV	K1HP/KH2	JE2EHP	UE1RFF	UA1RJ
9J2CA	G3SWH	KL7J	N3SL	UE3DDX/3	RZ3FR
9J2FM	JA4ATV	KP2M	AI4U	UE3SFF/1	RU3SD
9L1BTB	SP7BTB	LM9K75Y	LA9K	UE9WFF/4	UA1RJ
A35RS	ZL1RS	LQ5D	LU9DA	UE9XIV	RA9XV
AP2DKH	W2FB	LY1000FW	LY1FW	UN9PQ	IK2QPR
C56KR	OZ8KR	LZ09BR	LZ1KZA	UP2L	UN7LZ
C6AGN	W1DIG	OA4TT	N6XQ	V26MN	DF8AN
C6AMP	DL2NCY	OE1KIDS	OE1XIC	V51B	AI4U
CU2DX	CU2AA	OG2P	OH2PM	VP8DKF	K2ARB
CX6DAP	CX2ABC	OH0R	OH2PM	WP3C	W3HNK
CX7CO	WB3CDX	OH0X	OH2TA	WP3R	W3HNK
DL50DRAX	DF6LI	ON60ARSG	ON7KC	XR27RAID	HA1AG
DR09ANT	DL5MHQ	P40CG	W2CG	XV9DX	OM3JW
DU1ZV	JA1BRK	P40PZ	EA5GVH	XX9TKV	F4BKV
E44M	IZ0BTV [a]	P49X	W0YK	YI1RAZ	IK2DUW
E44M	SP3DOI [b]	S50IPY	S51RU	YI9AJ	OM3JW
E70R	E77E	S51ZZ	NI5DX	YS3/I2JIN	I2JIN
E73A	9A2AA	SN0WOSP	SP5KCR	YV5DTJ	IT9DAA
E77A	9A2AA	SN90DKI	SP2DKI	ZD8N	G3ZVW
EA6URB	EA6ZX	SN90FYX	SP3FYX	ZS1REC	OK1DOT

[a] direct [b] bureau

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