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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018

Incorporating REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING
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[also linx to previous years]

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WORLD OF RADIO 1954 contents: Antarctica, Bhutan, Brasil, Canada, China, Cuba, Greenland, Korea South, Madagascar, Nepal, New Zealand, Nigeria and non, North America, Northern Mariana Islands, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, UK and non, USA, Vatican, Yemen non? and the propagation outlook.

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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 - WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS: 5 Nov 2018 06:51:00 SHORTWAVE AIRINGS of WORLD OF RADIO 1954, October 30-November 5, 2018

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Tue 0030
         WRMI
                  7730 [confirmed]
Tue 0100
         WRMI
                  9955 [confirmed; next week: 0200]
Tue 2030
         WRMI
                  7780 [confirmed]
Wed 1030
                  5950 [confirmed]
         WRMI
Wed 2100
         WRMI
                  9955 [confirmed, but off the air first 15+ minutes]
Wed 2100
         WBCQ
                  7490v [confirmed; both next week: 2200]
Sat 0730
                  6190-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
         HLR
Sat 1231 WINB
                  9265 via Unique Radio [confirmed; next week: 1200]
Sat 1531
         HLR
                  9485-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [barely confirmed]
                  5950 via WRMI [ex-1600] [confirmed on WRN webcast]
Sat 1700 WRN
Sat 1930v WAORCR
                  1860-AM [next week: 2030v]
                  1860-AM [confirmed from 0318; next week: 0415-]
Sun 0300v WAORCR
Sun 1130
                  7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio [confirmed in Spain]
         HLR
Sun 2130 WRMI
                  7780
Sun 2230 WRMI
                  9955 [ex-2130]
Mon 0230 WRN
                  5950 via WRMI [or not]
                  5130v-AM Area 51 [ex-0300v]
Mon 0400v WBCQ
Mon 0430 WRMI
                  9955 [ex-0330v]
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Latest edition of this schedule version, including AM, FM, satellite and webcasts with hotlinks to station sites and audio, http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html or http://schedule.worldofradio.org http://sked.worldofradio.org

For updates see our Anomaly Alert page: http://www.worldofradio.com/anomaly.html

WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS:

Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club. http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-audio-plattform/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper: http://shortwave.am/wor.xml

ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:

http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio

NOW tnx to Keith Weston, also Podcasts via iTunes: https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/glenn-hausers-world-of-radio/id1123369861

AND via Google Play Music: http://bit.ly/worldofradio

OUR ONDEMAND AUDIO:

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DAY-BY-DAY ARCHIVE OF GLENN HAUSER'S LOG REPORTS:

Unedited, uncondensed, unchanged from original version, many of them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated, inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues: http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!! WOR IO GROUP: Effective Feb 4, 2018, DXLD yg archive and members have been migrated to this group: https://groups.io/g/WOR [there was already an unrelated group at io named dxld!, so new name] From now on, the io group is primary, where all posts should go. One may apply for membership, subscribe via the above site.

DXLD yahoogroup: remains in existence, and members are free to COPY same info to it, as backup, but no posts should go to it only. They may want to change delivery settings to no e-mail, and/or no digest. The change was necessary due to increasing outages, long delays in posts appearing, and search failures at the yg.

Why wait for DXLD issues? A lot more info, not all of it appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our io group without delay.

NEWISH! DX LISTENING DIGEST IN PDF, HTML VERSIONS

Jacques Champagne in Ville-Marie, Québec, has developed programs to convert DXLD .txt into PDF and HTML versions for his own use, and now has made them available to the rest of us. Starting with 18-24, they have been posted as attachments to the WOR iog. Merci, Jacques! (gh)

Thanks also to Jacques for assisting with formatting of .txt original

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COUNTRIES

ALASKA

** ALASKA. Incredible Asian conditions for 25 October 2018

Fellas, I just spent the evening going over several Perseus SDR files from 1428 to 1442 or so and boy, am I impressed with conditions this morning. I would venture that they even came close to my reception from Masset! Up to this very late hour, I've only gotten up to 747 kHz, but here's the catch up to now. 540, 549, 576, 675, 684 and 729 all yielded something, but more burbles in the splatter, as Nick H-P likes to say!

[Walt reported *much* greater DX from Asia, available on the MW groups, such as a multi-part post in the IRCA at HCDX archive, but I have arbitrarily decided to quote only the AK items here, somewhat more accessible to the rest of us --- gh]

- 640, Bethel, 10 kW, KYUK, Oct 25 1430 Not KFI, as they went into NPR news at the BOH. NPR ID again at 1431:30. Pretty much gone after that. Fair overall, with a lot of splatter from the high side.
- 670, Dillingham, 10 kW, KDLG, Oct 25 1429 Nice NPR ID cinching this Alaskan. Good to very good at times, but faded down at the BOH. 41 degrees in Dillingham at 1433, with Bristol Bay marine weather. This one is a regular in Masset, and one of the strongest Alaskans I hear up there. Continued strong to 1442.
- 680, Barrow, 10 kW, KBRW (highly tentative), Oct 25, 1430 Low modulation, but the same male announcer went on for over 10 minutes. No ads or music, just the same monotone. Just seems so unlike KNBR or other big city broadcaster, and much more like the small Alaskan AM operations. Still, only a maybe!
- 700, Anchorage, 10 kW, KBYR, Oct 25 1430 Took me a while to pull out the ID, but there it was right at 1430 with the call letters. Had I kept listening, I would have realized that it came in much stronger with many references to the upcoming Alaskan gubernatorial elections. Good level. Then local Anchorage ads. Later at 1440 the frequency was taken over by KGRV in Winston OR with religious programming.
- 750, Anchorage, 50 KW, KFQD, Oct 25 1427 Excellent reception with time check and temperature at 1428. ID as well. Local S9 + 20 to 30 reception! An impressive morning, indeed!
- 780, Nome, 14 kW, KNOM (tentative), Oct 25 1430 Not sure whether them or not, but for the entire 15 or so minutes audible, non-stop music with no announcements. Kind of fits the Alaska profile of unattended overnight transmissions. Fair reception.
- 830, Sand Point, 1 kW, KSDP, Oct 25 1435 Another regular into Masset, but not so common down here. Good reception with NPR programming (?BBC, as the announcer has a UK accent), reporting about Riyadh, and // to 670. Faded in after 1430. Pretty strong within a few minutes.

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850, Nome, 50 kW, KICY, Oct 25 1431 - Good reception, but interesting propagation with continuous fade ups, then fading away, only to come back again (and again). Way over cochannel lower 48 US station at 1442 with a Sermon. Near local quality at times.

890, Homer, 10 kW, KBBI, Oct 25 1429 - Excellent reception into NPR news after a local ID. Very nice! Another favourite in Masset.

930, Ketchikan, 1 kW, KTKN, Oct 25 1428 - ID at 1428 into an Adelle song. Easily overpowering other cochannels. Good reception. Another nice ID at 1439 into weather (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, IRCA via DXLD)

ANGUILLA

** ANGUILLA.

6090, University Network with Rev Barbi spending a LOT of time begging for money and ending with "Get on the Phone!" but somehow it just isn't the same as Dead Dr Gene's exhortations using the same words. An ID as "You are WATCHING the University Network". At 0135 during a Gospel Music interlude, and at 0136 into PMS preaching from Proverbs, but circling around to donating money to her. I'm detecting a pattern! 5554+4 with a hum in the modulation, particularly during the voice parts rather than the music. (It may be that it is just more noticeable when there are moments of silence in the audio). This channel is often 'missing' at night, but clearly at full strength tonight! 0115-0140 24/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ANTARCTICA

** ANTARCTICA.

15475.97, LRA 36, Radio Nacional Arcángel San Gabriel, Base Esperanza, 1403-1423*, 25-10 [Thu], on air now, nothing detected here in Lugo, fair to weak signal via SDR Kiwi Pardinho, São Paulo remote receiver, non stop song in Spanish, song "Bella Ciao", closed at 1423. Very weak carrier on 15475.97 via SDR Kiwi Ticino, Switzerland remote receiver. Not heard since 03-10 [Wed], 1412-1447, also via SDR Kiwi Pardihno (Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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ARMENIA

** ARMENIA.

4809.99, Armenian National R., Yerevan in Arabic, 10.02.2018, 1820-1845* woman long talk with many brief music breaks, (till 1843), music pause, same woman announcement, mention Yerevan twice and frequency quote (mention kilohertz), brief music pause and S/off at 1845; heard in LSB with and without NIR 12, fast QSB, moderate QRN and AC noise QRM, almost fair

(Gianni Serra, Roma, Italy, Email: gianni24.dx@gmail.com, Equipment: JRC NRD 525 receiver; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S antenna; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; JRC NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Sony MDR-101 stereo headphones; All times in UT, date in month/day format -- useful website: https://soundcloud.com/shortwaveology with recorded files of Interval Signals, jingles, programs, etc., of shortwave Radios, WOR iog via DXLD)

AUSTRALIA

** AUSTRALIA [and non].

An idea is a powerful weapon: why radio is the answer --- By Nicholas Stuart 23 October 2018 -- 10:00pm

https://www.smh.com.au/national/an-idea-is-a-powerful-weapon-why-radio-is-the-answer-20181023-p50bf9.html

Warning: put down any power tools and ensure you're not operating heavy machinery before you read the next sentence. We've been outflanked!

Of course, unless you're completely benighted or under some sort of strange, personal news blackout that prevents you even glancing at the front pages of newspapers, you'll probably have already realised that China is extending and developing its relations with our close Pacific neighbours. This was, after all, only to be expected. Beijing and Taipei have long recognised the value of these countries' votes in the United Nations; it's not much of a step from there to glance at the map and recognise the islands' have other significance as well. As China began expanding its international reach it was only natural it would similarly strengthen other relationships, including defence links.

And this is the point at which our conservative friends can start hyperventilating again. China is extending and developing its relations with our close Pacific neighbours.

China is extending and developing its relations with our close Pacific neighbours. Credit:PLA [caption]

It's hardly a surprise though, is it? Nature abhors a vacuum and so, as we've been demonstrating less and less interest in this region, others have occupied the space.

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The clearest example of this has been the strategically idiotic, fiscally-driven and wilfully blind destruction of Canberra's lone voice in the region, the (once vital) ABC shortwave service, Radio Australia.

Sure, the internet's better than a crackly radio signal. But simply to access the net requires computers and bandwidth, neither of which are readily available to the audiences in the South Pacific. And even if someone can manage to obtain a connection, the next problem is finding services, particularly news and information ones, that are relevant to your situation.

Someone in Apia (Samoa) is unlikely to be transfixed by events in Adelaide (South Australia) unless, of course, it's their Seven's team playing at the oval. Similarly a person in Buka (Bougainville) is likely to be bored by reports from Belgrade or Bulgaria, although not information about BHP Billiton.

RA provided an independent, reliable news service specifically dedicated to the needs of its audience. Critically, it offered a vital, secure and trusted way of connecting islanders to their capitals and, through that, to the world.

The big advantage of shortwave services was that they could be heard; were relevant; and formed a starting point for a community. But as far as the ABC was concerned the broadcasts were nothing more than a big bag of money to raid in order to boost its domestic budget.

Our critical means of Pacific engagement - using the soft power of news - has been ditched and replaced by penny-pinching myopia.

Its strategy could represent a masterly case study of how to achieve a pre-desired outcome. Firstly, the corporation reduced the strength of the broadcasts. Then, because no one could hear the signal anymore, it could accurately announce there was no audience, giving it the opportunity to pull the plug and "redeploy" the money.

Michelle Guthrie's pay packet wasn't directly aligned to maintaining our voice in the Pacific. And so a vital link to our neighbours, together with decades of irreplaceable broadcasting experience, was callously discarded. And the towers that used to beam that vital signal across the waters? Well, some people think this audience is valuable.

Al Jazeera is expanding in the region and is re-broadcast in Fiji. China and NHK (Japan) are also expanding services. And now, amazingly, we've got one last chance to resurrect this vital capacity.

Graeme Dobell, Geoff Heriot, and Jemima Garrett have just produced what's potentially the Australian Strategic Policy Institute's most important strategy paper ever. As experienced broadcasters they've had long personal relationships with the key players in the region - PM's and opposition parliamentarians, business leaders and the shapers of civil society. They're the right people to compile this paper because they comprehend, intimately, the shape of the region and how it works.

Together they bring more than a century of understanding to this significant issue; their recommendations are critical.

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The answer? Measured words spell out the need to immediately engage by establishing an independent broadcaster that can pick up the pieces and re-connect us to our neighbourhood. I fear, if anything, they're not ambitious enough, so let me put it more brutally, harshly, and emphatically. Unless we urgently refund international broadcasting we may as well abandon any `leadership' role in the region and double our defence spending.

The F-35 Lightning II, also known as the Joint Strike Fighter. Credit: Reuters [caption]

If anything we should add to this, using the terrific base of the brilliant academic forums (like the ANU's New Mandela) to reinforce and amplify the news discourse by illuminating it with a conjoined intellectual discussion.

The Communications and Foreign Affairs departments are currently reviewing our broadcasting services in the Asia-Pacific and the issue of soft power. This means there's finally a chance to undo the neglect and repair our relationship.

It's that simple. The choice is stark.

Our critical means of Pacific engagement - using the soft power of news to influence the region positively - has been ditched and replaced by penny-pinching myopia. The good news is we can now calculate, exactly, the strategic cost of this shortsightedness.

The Joint Strike Fighter (we received our tenth on Monday; 65 more to come) program costs, extremely roughly, \$15.5 billion. We'll need to spend a similar amount keeping the aircraft flying, although that's without ancillary costs of training pilots, maintaining airfields, buying missiles, etc, etc. That's hard power.

RA's yearly cost: \$20 million. Soft power.

Weigh up the comparison yourself.

Nicholas Stuart is a Canberra-based writer (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

Glenn, et al; The recent Cat5 Typhoon Yutu wiping out quite a few broadcast locations in the Pacific islands is an outstanding reason why ABC international SW needs to be reactivated (Paul S. in CT, FN31nl, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA [and non].

9740, Oct 29 at 1457, `Spotlight Radio` in special English, S9-S6, outro ref to http://www.radioenglish.net and 1459 RBA sign-off until 1400 tomorrow. Spotlight uses English teaching as an evangelical ploy, to worm their way into learning minds. Het from another carrier overlaps just before 1500, i.e. AWR SRI LANKA, q.v. And, remember when 9740 was a signature frequency of BBCWS Singapore?

Now in B-18, it`s not BBC anywhere, anywhen (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA.

REACH BEYOND, New B18 Schedule as of 28th of October:

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B18 Broadcast Schedule - Region & Time Format

http://www.reachbeyond.org.au/site/DefaultSite/filesystem/documents/publications/B18_Listener%20Edition.pdf

B18 Broadcast Schedule - Language Format

http://www.reachbeyond.org.au/site/DefaultSite/filesystem/documents/publications/B18_ _Language%20Edition.pdf

Reach Beyond Australia currently broadcasts 65 hours of programming per week in 31 languages (RBA via gh, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA [non].

Unique Radio --- Upcoming changes to schedule from November 10th 2018 [Saturdays only] via WINB 9265 Red Lion Pennsylvania USA

1000-1100 UT - Sounds of your life hosted by Aussie Tim (Oldies, obscure, Australian, Artist features 3 in a row) 1100-1130 UT - Hobart Radio International hosted by Rob Wise (Music and radio features from Tasmania Australia) 1130-1200 UT - International Radio Report - Co Hosted by Sheldon Harvey & David Asselin & with special features from Gilles Letourneau 1200-1230 UT - World of Radio hosted by Glenn Hauser (International shortwave radio and radio information with loggings)

Best Regards (Aussie Tim, Unique Radio, Gunnedah NSW, Australia, Oct 26, WOR iog via DXLD) Gunnedah is about 205 miles NNW of Sydney and about 150 miles inland from the coast, latitude -31 (gh, DXLD)

BANGLADESH

** BANGLADESH.

(4750), 1725, 1920, 22+23.10, Bangladesh Betar NOT heard! Thus my logging on 10.10 at 1940-2110 obviously was a lonely test (Anker Petersen, Denmark, my latest loggings from Skovlunde made on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, WBradio yg via DXLD)

BHUTAN

** BHUTAN.

6035, BBS, 1053-1117*, Oct 23. Mostly pop songs in English, except 1101-1109, with news in English, started and ended with the usual theme music; unreadable; suddenly off; PBS Yunnan off the air during this time period and also not heard at 1206.

6035, BBS, 1116 till cut off at 1126*, Oct 24. Clearly in English, but unreadable; pop songs. In the future, on a day with extremely good propagation, think this could be readable? PBS Yunnan continues silent here (and on 7210) through last check of 1245.

6035, BBS, Oct 26, with another early cut off; gone by 1135, but was heard about 1118 or so. PBS Yunnan continues their absence here (Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

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BRAZIL

** BRAZIL.

Test 3375, R. Municipal (Tentativa de reativar). Bom dia, Senhor Anisio Gregori. Eu constato aqui que o transmissor de 3375 Ondas Tropicais está no ar. Eu recebo a portadora, mas o áudio parece está desligado, não está com áudio o transmissor. Eu vou ficar fazendo monitoramentos para ajudar vocês toda manhã aqui na floresta, para vocês conseguir arrumar o áudio. Parabéns ao Senhor por reativar 3375 Ondas Tropicais; é muito importante para nós moradores da região dos Estados da Amazônia Legal.

Para quem desejar ajudar envie mensagens e pedido de amizade a Rádio Municipal https://www.facebook.com/anisio.gregori

https://youtu.be/qRY7oZwpKf0

0925 UT, Dia 23 Outubro 2018

(RX: Yaesu FRG 8800 Antena: DS SWL DL Dipolo Assimétrica 42 metros + 15 Metros coaxial.)

EXCLUSIVO: FOTOS TRANSMISSOR 3375 KHZ RÁDIO MUNICIPAL ONDAS TROPICAIS BANDA DE 90 METROS

"Pra nós importante ter nos comunicado sobre o áudio ainda hoje vamos rever o áudio mantenhamos informados pra nós importante"

(Anisio Gregori)

https://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com/2018/10/exclusivo-fotos-transmissor-3375-khz.html? m=0

(via Daniel Wyllyans, Oct 23, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Eqsl Rádio Municipal 3375 KHZ 90 Metros --- Também sou o gerente agora oficial de eqsl da Rádio Municipal. Boa hora para vocês olhar 3375. O DX MAIS DIFÍCIL DOS ÚLTIMOS TEMPOS 90 METROS SINAL BAIXO A LONGA DISTÂNCIA.

Informes para danielnx18@gmail.com informes com mp3 ou vídeo. Também olho a confirmação de CARRIER. Será colocado Carrier no informe caso não tem recepção e somente a portadora em sua região. Os informes serão repassados a Rádio Municipal

(Daniel Wyllyans, Oct 24, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

New Power today Rádio Municipal: "3.5 KW" (Jose Pereira Técnico Rádio Municipal 3375). Ainda hoje vai soltar agora com 3.500 Watts com 100% de modulação! Vamos ficar atentos. 73

(Daniel Wyllyans, Oct 24, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

Thanks. What hours is it operating? 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

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[&]quot;está no ar até as 9 da manhã".

[&]quot;mais ainda estamos sitonizando melhor".

[&]quot;foi muito trabalho mas o povo ribeirinho já esta ouvindo depois de um ano e seis meses fora do ar".

Então nessa fase de testes está assim de 04 da Manhã as 09 da Manhã (07-12 UT) e 19 da Noite às 11 da Noite hora de Brasília (22-02 UT). Não sei se isso vai ficar oficialmente nesse horário. Mas vamos aguardar os próximos capítulos. 73. (Wyllyans, ibid.)

Thanks. Nothing heard at 0820 via Brazilian remote receivers (Mauno, ibid.)

I am hearing a het on about 3375.07 kHz this morning from 0915 tunein. (Hard to determine the precise frequency because it's covered by TV raster noise.) Switching the antenna directions indicates it's strongest from the south, consistent with Radio Municipal. It wasn't there two days ago

(Art Delibert, North Bethesda, MD, USA, 10/25/18, NRD-545 receiver, SAL-12 antenna, HCDX via DXLD)

EXCLUSIVO: FOTOS ANTENA 3375 KHZ RÁDIO MUNICIPAL ONDAS TROPICAIS BANDA DE 90 METROS --- A Rádio Municipal em Ondas Tropicais de 3375 kHz está reativada oficialmente e operando com 3.5 KW para todo o estado de Amazonas e região. A frequência é muito ouvida por pessoas da região ribeirinha. Muito Obrigado ao Anisio Gregori pelas fotos e por seu exelente trabalho como gerente da Rádio Municipal para a comunidade Amazonense e região vizinhas dos Estados da Amazônia Legal. Agradecemos a Deus e a Prefeitura de São Gabriel da Cachoeira - Amazonas. Reporter:

(Daniel Wyllyans DX Brazil SW.

https://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com/2018/10/exclusivo-fotos-transmissor-3375-khz.html? m=1 Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

A very weak carrier signal is visible on the waterfall of CA3PBR SDR site (Santiago, Chile). No audio, though. The signal might be Rádio Educadora (ZYG792), too. Who knows? 73, (Matti Ponkamo, Naantali, Finland, ibid.)

3375 kHz, Rádio Municipal - São Gabriel da Cachoeira - Amazonas / Brasil. Locutora comentários, depois música. Desde a Reativação, o melhor sinal que consegui foi esse durante uma tempestade aqui com estraios atmosféricos. Então quem conseguir ouvir um sinal no exterior com áudio considere-se um campeão! DX muito difícil na banda de 90 metros. Dia 24 Outubro 2018 em 2334 UT. https://youtu.be/BvwccglR7WE RX: Yaesu FRG 8800 Antena: Dipolo Assimétrica 42 metros + Super Balum + 15 metros Coaxial

(Daniel Wyllyans, Oct 27, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

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** BRAZIL.

4875.20, R. Difusora Roraima, Boa Vista in Portuguese 10.21.2018 0025-0124, LA slow songs with man unclear talk at times with typical Braz. intonation, woman and same man talk (mostly unclear), other man unclear announcement (clear mention of Boa Vista in streaming only), continuing music program, with chorus jingle at 0120 (heard clearly Roraima in streaming only), heard in usb, qrm strong shifting het nulled with notch filter, from about 0100 heard better in lsb with inter filter, (I had to adjust notch knob often to nullify strong shifting het), fast qrn with strong statics, very poor/poor; in //https://www.radios.com.br/aovivo/radio-roraima-590-am-4875-ot/15023 in streaming with some seconds of delay from broadcast in sw

(Gianni Serra, Roma, Italy, Email: gianni24.dx@gmail.com Equipment: JRC NRD 525 receiver; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S antenna; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; JRC NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Sony MDR-101 stereo headphones; All times in UT, date in month/day format -- useful website: https://soundcloud.com/shortwaveology with recorded files of Interval Signals, jingles, programs etc of shortwave Radios, WOR iog via DXLD)

** BRAZIL.

9664.82, R. Voz Missionária, Camboriú, in Portuguese, 10.13.2018, 2029-2053, man very excited religious sermon (with very impressive hysterical screams inciting crowd yelling at times), mentioning Brasil, Brasileiro, Espírito Santo, Meu Deus, from 2047 continuing sermon talk over slow music (trying to calm the preacher? ha ha); heard better in Lsb with inter audio filter to nullify qrm carrier on; lite rustle, good; to qrn http://www.radiovozmissionaria.com.br with some seconds delay broadcast in shortwaves; some web sites report Radio station site in Florianópolis SC; instead on http://www.radiovozmissionaria.com.br/pagina- exemplo/ transmitters and antennas are reported in Rua Empreendedor S/N, no alto do Morro das Antenas (GPS coordinates reported on Radio station site correspond to city of Camboriú, SC Brazil);

9664.83, Radio Voz Missionária, Camboriú in Portuguese, 10.23.2018 1956-2019, women chorus jingle "Radio Voz Missionáriaaaa", men/woman several announcements with music breaks, ID a Voz Missionária, and brief chorus jingles at times, woman/man talk (mention Brasil, Porto Alegre), man announcement, brief song, jingle ID, slow and lively songs, woman/man announcements, with ID Voz Missionária, and jingle ID; heard in usb, then better in Lsb with inter filter to nullify humming noise, lite qsb and qrn rustle, good

(Gianni Serra, Roma, Italy, Email: gianni24.dx@gmail.com Equipment: JRC NRD 525 receiver; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S antenna; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; JRC NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Sony MDR-101 stereo headphones; All times in UT, date in month/day format -- useful website: https://soundcloud.com/shortwaveology with recorded files of Interval Signals, jingles, programs etc of shortwave Radios, WOR iog via DXLD)

9665, Radio Voz Missionária at 2314 in Portuguese with an impassioned male preacher — Fair with a hum on audio Oct 25 (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA yg via DXLD)

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** BRAZIL.

15190, R. Inconfidência domestic broadcast, October 25, 2018, 2316—2320 in Portuguese. SIO 232. OMs talk, music, poor listening with a weak signal. Heavy QRN and QSB. Reception better at top of QSB peaks (Vince Henley, Anacortes WA, WiNRADiO G39DDCe SDR, ICOM IC-R8600, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R8B, TECSUN PL-380, TECSUN PL-660, TECSUN PL-880. Antennas: whips on PL-380, PL-660, PL-880 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east west at 30 feet, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

BULGARIA

** BULGARIA.

11600, Oct 29 at 1454, a bit of Brother Scare until cutoff at 1455*, seeming same if not synch with 9330.1 WBCQ. SPC has registered this even frequency 24 hours, but also BRB with Kurdish via KCH until 1600. In A-18, EiBi had BS via Bulgaria instead at 1500- 1655. How sad that the Bulgarians would rather broadcast BS than Radio Sofia/Bulgaria (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CAMBODIA

** CAMBODIA [non].

7410, PHILIPPINES, FEBC Cambodia, 1220, 10/26/18. "The Voice of Love" from studio in Phnom Penh, fading in now at 1220, around local daybreak. Fair QSL [sic], OM and YL in Khmer talks, soft musical breaks every few minutes or so. Via Bocaue, Philippines. Blocked 1130-1200 by China on frequency, otherwise in the clear for slated 1100-1300

(Ralph Perry, Wheaton IL, Drake R8B, Dentron Super — Tuner, Ameco & Palomar Preamps, Wellbrook Loop, 350' LA BOG, Delta Skyloop, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

CANADA

** CANADA.

388 kHz, Oct 28 at 0650 UT, beacon MM and dash, which means it`s Canadian. Classaxe.com shows 125 watts at Fort McMurray, northern Alberta. 2478 km = 1540 statute miles.

382 kHz, Oct 28 at 0652 UT, beacon YPL, which is a regular here from Pickle Lake, Ontario, 1000 watts (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA.

630/AM\$, CFCO, ON, Chatham with "Coatsworth and Wolfish" music and MANY ads, etc. OM DJ and noisy stereo decode but in solidly. 453+43 rather noisier than I would have expected. 1924-1930 20/Oct, MCS 3050 +indoor tuned loop --Zichi PO

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI with power outage, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** CANADA.

650, Oct 28 at 1204 UT, outro news from Canadian Press, ``650 CKOM Update``, 1205 weather from minus 5 to plus 19; plug CKOM.com, back to ``Saskatchewan`s biggest conversation`` seems a playback. WSM easily nulled, XETNT not fading up until later, and KGAB no obstacle. 10/10 kW U4 from Saskatoon. Night pattern is supposed to be all-north; day with a minor lobe south. Last logged here Sept 7, 2017 at 0549. At first I thought they were saying CKON, but that might be in Ontario. Branded as ``650 CKOM`` several times but did not hear ``NewsTalk 650`` as in NRC AM Log, altho that is certainly their format and might still be uttered (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** <u>CANADA</u>. From the music Vaults (which have been purged of all physical copies) --- CBC Public Relations @CBC Publicity

A new original series From The Vaults will dig into 60 years of the CBC music archives, with hosts @amanda_parris & @tompowercbc. Premiering on Thursday, November 15 https://bit.ly/2qaemkM

60 years would bring it back to 1958, not far enough by far (via Dan Say, alt.radio.networks.cbc, via Mike Cooper, GA, Oct 26, DXLD)

** CANADA. What election? CBC decides what's news, and you and I just pay for it

John Doyle Television critic --- Includes correction Published October 19, 2018 Updated October 20, 2018

https://www.theglobeandmail.com/arts/television/article-what-election-cbc-decides-whats-news-and-you-and-i-just-pay-for-it/p

In the annals of peculiar CBC manoeuvres, the decision not to carry live TV coverage of Toronto's municipal-election results is not that notable. It's just typical.

The other day, CBC TV made it clear that it will air Murdoch Mysteries and Frankie Drake Mysteries on Monday evening, as usual, in the Toronto region. It is certainly not going to pre-empt those masterpieces of mystery shenanigans to cover the results of the mayoral race and the first reduced-council election. If you want that kind of politics stuff, you can go online. That's where the action is, says CBC.

Far be it from you or me, mere citizens, taxpayers and consumers, to quarrel with this. CBC knows best when it comes to the news and the public broadcaster went its own eccentric way some time ago. I mean, it's not as though the elections in Toronto and nearby are about Prince Harry and his wife Meghan. Now that would be news. They're having a baby for heaven's sake. Or, events in Venezuela. That's what you call news at CBC HQ.

I put it to you that everything about CBC News has been idiosyncratic since The National started being anchored by what appears to be a five-a-side-soccer team. You just never know what you'll get.

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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 COUNTRIES - BULGARIA 5 Nov 2018 06:51:05

Take Sept. 10 of this year. That's the day Ontario Premier Doug Ford reacted to a court decision by announcing, in a lather, that he would invoke the notwithstanding clause to force a reduction in Toronto City Council. This was a gobstopper of a reaction from a premier. The country was gobsmacked.

Says I to myself, I'll check out The National tonight to get the on the notwithstanding clause. Experts will Historical context will be given. The meat and drink of the news story.

What on earth was I thinking? I should have known that Adrienne Arsenault was at the border between Venezuela and Colombia. That was the main news of the day. Of course it was. Adrienne Arsenault announced, "Tonight we are in Colombia, a country bearing the brunt of a desperate, growing exodus." Well now, I remarked to myself, things are bad in Venezuela! That's news. And it really must be important news because the first 14 minutes of The National was taken up with this issue. If I wanted the lowdown on the notwithstanding clause, Premier Doug Ford and the chaotic election situation in the largest city in the country, I would have to go elsewhere. So I did..

Get used to it people. The CBC decides what's news and you and I just pay for it. We should just leave it to them, the experts.

Besides, think about the advertisers. I beseech you, think about the advertisers! Just as CBC TV does. The companies that advertise on Murdoch Mysteries and Frankie Drake Mysteries cannot possibly be expected to tolerate this local democracy thing and not have their wares peddled on one evening in October. That would be like socialism or such. If you want that kind of thing you can turn over to CTV in Toronto. CTV is going to offer local election coverage, starting at 8 p.m. Let's see where that kind of civic duty gets it.

CBC TV's devotion to its advertisers is a remarkable thing. It should be remarked upon more often, actually. And to that end, I would point out that if you watch an hour-long drama on CBC TV you will be treated to advertising interruptions willy-nilly, at every and all possible opportunities. Now, to you and me, that might cause the heebeejeebies. Or cause us to lose interest in ever watching an hour-long drama on CBC TV again. But, in fairness, you have to stand back from all that and acknowledge that CBC TV never saw an ad that it couldn't insert inappropriately into a drama series. It is an expert at champion.

Further, and I won't keep you much longer because I know you've had it up the eyeballs with CBC TV already, the public broadcaster is a highly trusted brand in this neck of the woods. Why, the other day, same day as the announcement about non-coverage of the Toronto-area elections, the president of the CBC was on Twitter boasting about this. Catherine Tait announced to her 637 followers that according to something called "the Proof Inc. CanTrust Index", CBC/Radio Canada is Canada's most trusted brand. It's just ahead of Google, actually. She says.

There are various ways to react to this act of boasting to your 637 followers. You could call it jejune. You could just laugh. I mean, if you can't buy trust with a billion dollars in funding, what are you going to get?

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But your best bet is to keep in mind this is about the advertisers. They gotta trust CBC and must believe that the public trusts CBC. You and me, with our elections and expectations of gathering around the TV to watch election-night coverage, we're nobodies.

Typical of us to expect better of CBC TV. Just typical. Nothing to see here, people, just move along.

Editor's note: Oct. 20, 2018: An earlier version of this article incorrectly stated that Anna Maria Tremonti was in Colombia and Venezuela for The National. In fact, it was Adrienne Arsenault. Follow John Doyle on Twitter @MisterJohnDoyle

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CHINA

** CHINA. EAST JAMMERSTAN: 11745, Pots & Pans Banger Jammer; 1759-1801+, 10/21; Target is probably *1800 Radio Free Asia in Chinese via Marianas -- not heard

(Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 185' RW, ---- All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time & without the aid of a computer! ----, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 13550, CNR1 at 1050 // 11785 in Mandarin with a man and woman with excited talk — Weak but audible Oct 23 — A weather fax station in New Zealand on 13550.5 is the only thing listed. The Sound of Hope from Taiwan is listed on 13530.2 so either they have moved to this frequency or they have managed to fool the Chinese authorities into occupying this frequency.

13755, CNR1 at 1018 in Mandarin jamming the VOA in Mandarin via Thailand with a man and woman with excited talk and promos - Poor to Fair in peaks with fading Oct 23.

9660, CNR1 at 1003 in Mandarin jamming RTI in Mandarin with a man and woman with excited news reporting and promos — Weak but audible Oct 24 (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD)

9745, Oct 24 at 2018, S6-S8 and one of the better extracontinental signals on band is Firedragon music, vs no victim audible, i.e. RFA Chinese via Kuwait at 19-21. Both of them should blow away poor Bahrain if it`s really 24/7 on 9745, never heard anywhen here. BTW, this portion of Firedragon included some droning which almost sounded like a voice, but surely not.

15565, Oct 25 at 0008, CNR1 jammer(s) with flutter, mixing with one or two other signals: VOA Chinese via THAILAND scheduled this hour only.

15320, Oct 25 at 0009, CNR1 Chinese // 15565, S9-S7 with flutter and clearly one signal. VOA Chinese via Philippines scheduled, unheard.

17560, Oct 25 at 0010, CNR1 Chinese // 15320. Also jamming unheard VOA Chinese via Tinang this hour only (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9450, CNR1 at 2325 in Mandarin jamming RTI in Mandarin with a man and woman with excited news reports and a number of promos — Fair to Good Oct 25

(Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA yg via DXLD)

15775, CNR1, October 26, 2018, 0018—0023 in Chinese. SIO 555. Is this CNR1 jamming "Sound of Hope?" Very strong signal, with OM and YL announcers alternating in Mandarin. Animated monologue and discussion (Vince Henley, Anacortes WA, WiNRADiO G39DDCe SDR, ICOM IC-R8600, Tenter RX-340, Drake R8B, TECSUN PL-380, TECSUN PL-660, TECSUN PL-880. Antennas: whips on PL-380, PL-660, PL-880 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east west at 30 feet, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

5965, Oct 26 at 2323, S7-S8 of CNR1 echo-jamming, against IBB Tibetan via Kuwait this hour only, unheard or buried. Best signal from China on band, must be grayline (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA.

DRM test of CNR on 11695 / 15580 kHz from Dongfang, Hainan island

According to Chinese broadcasting information site "CAHCN" < https://cahcn.github.io/

starting from October 23, CNR will test DRM domestic transmission at 0100-0900 UT on 15580 kHz (Hainan, 30 kW, to North China) and 11695 kHz (Hainan, 30 kW, to East China), relaying domestic 5th program (Voice of China).

Reception report should be addressed to: <drmrtprc @ 163.com>

On October 24 at 0600 UT DRM signal was clearly observed both on 11695 and 15580 kHz, in Tokyo Japan (Takahito Akabayashi, Tokyo, Japan, via Wolfgang Bueschel, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

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11695/15580 kHz CNR DRM (continuous update of information during the test). On October 18, 2018, the Central People's Broadcasting Station launched the DRM short-wave digital broadcasting frequency registered with the HFCC.

From October 18th to 21st, 2018, Beijing time will test the signal from 09:00 to 17:00 every day, and the official experiment will be launched on October 23.

At the same time, the launch pad staff welcomes conditional enthusiasts to listen to and record the detailed receiving information, and feedback the feedback to the official to improve the launching work.

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Feedback Email: drmrtprc@163.com https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/89Rang-WnfOv43ZNMjzFOQ

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It is worth mentioning that, in late August or early September 2018, 11695 kHz registration information in the HFCC has been adjusted.

The 11695 kHz launch site was adjusted from Heilongjiang Qiqihar (QIQ) to Hainan island Dongfang (DOF) in southern China, and the power was reduced from 150 kW to 30 kW. The azimuth is adjusted from 220° to 41°.

In the recently published registration information of HFCC B18, the 6030 kHz power transmitted by Beijing has been reduced from 100 kW to 30 kW, which may be used for testing DRM for a long time...

At present, CNR uses three frequency tests to transmit DRM signals. The parameters disclosed are as follows (Beijing time, UT +8 hrs): 6030 0425-0205 (not Tuesday 1400-1700) BEI Power=30 kW Azimuth=0degr 11695 0900-1700 DOF Power=30 kW Azimuth = 41degr 15580 0900-1700 DOF Power=30 kW Azimuth = 16degr [= UT 01-09]

Among them, 6030 and 15580 are mainly for launching in North China, and 11695 kHz is mainly for launching in East China and South China.

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Dongfang Hainan Island transmission center, 22 curtains at 18 52 19.93 N 108 40 49.02 E https://goo.gl/maps/ntSBwvYt2SA2 https://binged.it/2D2PnZ4

and additional Alliss revolving antennas spread out nearby at 18 55 39.62 N 108 39 46.55 E https://goo.gl/maps/FE7J1cCan5o 18 54 38.81 N 108 41 09.49 E https://goo.gl/maps/seS3G42Kx482

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and Dongfang Hainan Island JAMMING #3 site, 11 curtains, and PROBABLY NVIS like non-directional fountain spring type antenna of 7 small masts on the southwesterly corner of the center, at CHN_Dongfang 3 - jamming site:

18 54 17.00 N 108 39 37.78 E https://goo.gl/maps/1kZS1MwA1ox https://binged.it/2D1xtpL

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Older China Radio Peking foreign service MW and SW site Dongfang #1 CHN_Dongfang_Hainan original SW site, 6 curtains, additional non-dirantenna of 2012 year, on southwesterly corner.

18 53 25.12 N 108 39 41.70 E

https://goo.gl/maps/NJMxkyNbdts

https://binged.it/2PSVyBV

vy73 wb df5sx wwdxc

(all from Wolfgang Bueschel, Oct 24, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

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** CHINA [non].

6180, Oct 30 at 0135, CRI English here at S9+10 discussing robotix, // 6020 via Albania. 6180 is really too strong and steady to be from Kashgar as scheduled southward --- because HFCC B-18 has the answer: ALSO during the 01-02 hour, CRI English via HABana! 250 kW at 10 degrees (and also at 02-03 in Chinese). Must be a replacement for 9580, no longer on sked. CRI did not make such a change in B-17. This also must explain why I was hearing RHC Spanish on 6180, Oct 28 at 0135 --- Cuba was getting ready to relay China here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA.

7420, PBS Nei Menggu, on Oct 26. Had a second day of very poor audio here; crackling sound which I assume is from their transmitter; while // 9520 had the usual good audio at 1107

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via DXLD)

** CHINA.

9470, CRI (Xian) at 2318 in Mongolian with a woman with apparent news with some reports with sound bytes in Mandarin being translated by a man or woman then male folk vocals at 2323 — Good Oct 25.

9890, CRI (Beijing) at 1005 in Mandarin with a man and woman with a string of apparent promos often over light instrumentals and a some brief traditional vocals at 1008 and a woman with gentle talk and more brief traditional female vocals at 1009 then the woman with a story with female sound bytes — Fair Oct 24 Coady-ON —

It's interesting to note how CRI's Mandarin programs sound a lot like the Mandarin programs of the calmer CNR (not CNR1) services like CNR3 (Voice of the Music), CNR9 (Voice of the Literary), and CNR12 (Voice of the Entertainment).

[and non]. 11810, CNR8 (Voice of Minorities via Beijing) at 2055 in Mongolian with high pitched soprano vocals then a march anthem at 2100 and a man with talk over the anthem then a man and woman with talk from 2102 — Fair under BBC rising to Good as BBC via Ascension Island either went off or suffered from poor propagation Oct 23.

11845, CNR2 (China Business Radio) at 1005 with a man and woman with financial news with sound bytes then a number of promos and possible ads at 1011 — Fair Oct 23 — Another legitimate frequency for a service that is sometimes used to jam western broadcasters by the Chinese authorities although not as much as CNR1

(Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD)

** CHINA. Morning Glenn, CNR2 Business Radio (unconfirmed) received 29-Oct-2018 at 1022 UT on 15540 with talk from male. Tentative identification obtained with the help of an online database. Good signal with no interference from other stations. Not a bad catch for this time of day over here, I think

(Dave Harries, Bristol, UK using Tecsun PL880 with no external antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** CHINA [and non].

15600, Oct 26 at 2313, VP YL in Brazuguese, one of few signals on band, CRI about 3 seconds ahead of much stronger 13650 relay via CUBA. 15600 is 500 kW aimed NW from Beijing site, a long way across Eurasia, and down the Atlantic toward S America (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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15700, Oct 28 at 1409, S9+40, CRI English via CUBA is back on B-frequency, ex-13740 in A-18. So no more overlapping possible with RHC Spanish. At 1402 I had noticed 13740 off, but nothing on 15700 yet which must have come up late. Something`s always wrong at RadioCuba (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non].

Before the web, radio was a window into the world's diversity --- By Ian Morrison

From the Oct. 23 international edition of China Daily, page 22:

Life is so fast-paced these days and technology plays a role in so many aspects of daily life, everything from having your dinner to riding a bike can involve all sorts of high-tech gadgetry that's beyond the imagination of most of us mere mortals.

And the existence of the internet, which has now been with us for more than two decades, makes us feel so glad that we now live in such an "interconnected" world in which we can communicate with people in all corners of the globe.

But we were far from cutoff and isolated beings before the internet ever existed. Don't imagine that we were all sitting in our respective countries and islands all isolated from each other and merely talking with ourselves.

Back in the 1980s, when concepts such as Wi-Fi and having the ability to watch movies and TV on demand on a home computer were still the stuff of science fiction, I was regularly listening in my bedroom in Scotland to news, music and interesting feature programs from countries as far afield as Argentina, Japan, Albania, Sweden, the Soviet Union, Vietnam, South Africa, Romania and China.

I didn't need to have any special connection installed by my local telecom service provider, nor did I need to pay any monthly subscription fee to get access to this information. All I needed was the simple radio I received for Christmas in 1985, as well good hearing and enough patience when I was navigating the shortwave band of the radio to find all these "foreign treasures".

Just imagine the first time I heard the lively and energetic rhythms of Romanian folk music from Radio Bucharest bursting out of my little radio - music and a musical style I had never experienced before. If sounds could be likened to colors, this music was like a rainbow bursting out of the radio.

And can you imagine my fascination as I sat there listening to the Cooking Show on the English service of Radio Beijing (today known as China Radio International), with the presenter explaining and discussing the delicacies being conjured up by one of the chefs at Beijing Hotel?

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All these experiences made me understand from an early age that the world is a very big and diverse place, and every country has something unique and interesting to offer. But it also made me realize that, despite all the differences, we are all united by fairly common values, the desire for peace, stability and the right to enjoy the fruits of development.

Much has changed in the world since those days, and many of those international broadcasters have switched off their radio transmitters for the final time.

But quite a few continue to exist, both on shortwave and by offering podcasts and streaming audio on the internet.

One of these is CRI, which broadcasts to the world in a virtual A to Z of languages, telling China's story to the world in 65 tongues - from Albanian to Vietnamese.

Thank you to CRI and many other international broadcasters for teaching me so much about this big world of ours (via Mike Cooper, Oct 23, DXLD)

CUBA

** CUBA.

6165, Oct 23 at 0622, RHC English is S9+10 of dead air; the others are sufficient in the S9 to S9+20 range, 6100 and 6060, but somewhat less modulation on 6000. Something`s always wrong at RHC.

5040, Oct 24 at 0614, RHC English is still on here; nominal closing is 0600, but sometimes carrier stays on --- and now, modulation too! // 6000, 6060, 6100, 6165 are all sufficient; and the leapfrogs are making JBA carriers on 6020, 6270. Something`s always wrong at RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15730, RHC, October 26, 2018, 0004—0007 in French. SIO 533. News at top of hour. Very bad audio distortion. Virtually unlistenable despite strength of signal. OM anchor, YL with ID.

[+ same] October 27, 2018, 2330—2334, SIO 545. RHC in Portuguese, program sign-on. Noisy, distorted signal. OM announcer with station ID and program ID. Latin music and talk, news and sports (Vince Henley, Anacortes WA, WiNRADiO G39DDCe SDR, ICOM IC-R8600, Tenter RX-340, Drake R8B, TECSUN PL-380, TECSUN PL-660, TECSUN PL-880. Antennas: whips on PL-380, PL-660, PL-880 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east west at 30 feet, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

5040, Oct 26 at 0035, RHC is S9+10, but suptorted, just barely modulated so I can't be positive of language, but French is scheduled. Something's always wrong at RHC.

6100, Oct 26 at 0609, no RHC English here (but a blob of perhaps local origin), while nominal on 6165, 6060 and 6000, all VG. Something`s always wrong at RHC.

15730, Oct 26 at 2312, RHC is S9+25 and the SSOB by far, but suptorted modulation cutting out sounds like Kriyol. Something`s always wrong at RHC.

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6060, Oct 27 at 0509, this RHC English is off; but nominal on 6165, 6100, 6000. Something`s always wrong at RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7360, Oct 27 at 2249, RHC Spanish in huge distorted blob, best audible in AM mode, not FM or SSB. The 7330 transmitter *way* out of whack. Had the same thing Sept 28 at 2336. Something`s always wrong at RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6180, Oct 28 at 0135, RHC Spanish is S8 and suptorted, new frequency? // 6060. I would assume a leapfrog mixing product except the math does not work out for intermodulation among the active 6 MHz band frequencies: 6000, 6060, 6165. Intentional NFs not due for a week or two as Arnie always lags behind HFCC seasons. It might be mixing with a jammer such as the new one on 5950 against WRMI/OCB [see USA], except that leaping over 6060 it would land on 6170, not 6180. BTW, I`ve yet to catch RNA Brasil on 6180 as Mark Coady has reported a couple times recently. [6180: see CHINA [non] above]

6270, the longtime leapfrog of 6060 over 6165 another 105 kHz higher, however, is quite audible at 0435 Oct 28, S5-S7, stronger than usual with both 6060 Spanish audio and jazz from 6165 English. Something`s always wrong at RHC

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5040, Oct 28 at 0145, RHC Spanish is S9+25 but suptorted --- wiggle that patchcord! Something`s always wrong at RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non].

13820, Oct 28 at 1401, R. Martí has cut on new B-18 frequency, ex-13605 which remains heavily jammed, while 13820 is clear for now at S9+30. 13820 was empty as late as 1359.

Also, HFCC B-18 as of Oct 26 shows once again this B-season, RM is jumping around 7 MHz frequencies, to keep the jammers on their toes; no more 7335, but:

7355 at 10-14, 23-06 7365 at 01-02 7375 at 22-23 7435 at 12-14, 23-01, 02-07

13605, Oct 29 at 1450, wall-of-noise jamming against nothing, as the incompetent Dentro Cuban Jamming Command keeps after Radio Martí where it should have known was last in use Oct 27, moving Oct 28 to 13820 as always in B-seasons. There, RM is S9+30 with no jamming audible. 11860 continues on M-F only from 1400v, but it's under WON jamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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ECUADOR

** ECUADOR [non].

RE: Radio Akhbar Mufriha (DXLD 181022 [sic = 18-43])

``181018: 7300, ENGLAND, Radio Akhbar Mufriha (HCJB) at 2117 in Arabic with woman singing an Arabic version of "Silent Night" and into a man with talk with music bridges of instrumental versions of "Silent Night" — Fair to Good with fading Oct 18 — Hallowe'en isn't even here, yet! Christmas music before the end of October? What's up with that? (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II, 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD 181022)``

There are numerous examples of Christian canned programmes repeated irrespective of their original dates and seasonal references. However, just hearing a Christmas song melody in a foreign language programme may not mean that the text is Christmas related.

One example that came to my mind is hearing "Am Weihnachtsbaume die Lichter brennen" as the interval signal of a Christian short wave station decades ago. (I do not remember which one, and searched the internet in vain). However, the German wikipedia could enlighten me about the history of the melody and text

https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Am_Weihnachtsbaum_die_Lichter_brennen

The melody which is dated into the 1830s was already used for other songs (in Thüringen "Schön ist die Jugend bei frohen Zeiten", in Sachsen "Es blühen Rosen, es blühen Nelken") when in 1841 Hermann Kletke published his text "Am Weihnachtsbaume die Lichter brennen" https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Am_Weihnachtsbaum_die_Lichter_brennen_(1841).jpg

Actually, there is only vague reference to the original Christian meaning of Christmas. In 1852, a Lutheran pastor authored "Gott ist die Liebe" as yet another text for the melody

https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/August_Dietrich_Rische#/media/File:Gott_ist_die_Liebe_(Rische).ipq

The text praises the redemption through God's love in Christ and I remember hearing it in conservative Christian circles and on Trans World Radio's German partner Evangeliums-Rundfunk.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yL1gl9BvAf4

30 seconds into the video

(Dr Hansjoerg Biener, 30 October 2018, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GERMANY

** GERMANY.

77.5 kHz, 10/29/18 2132z. DCF77 Mainflingen (presumed) with time code and pulsing carrier sounding much like WWVB. Solidly fair signal over mostly-dark path, with sun already getting low in sky

(Steve Zimmerman, listening near Eagle, WI in state forest using an IC-746 PRO, LF upconverter, and active whip 30 feet up in a tree, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** **GERMANY**.

Good Afternoon all, I was reading that C292 is to be on the air with its new frequency 7440 kHz. I'm wondering has anyone heard it? I'm not near a laptop to check. Best Regards,

(Jordan Heyburn, Northern Ireland, 1307 UT Oct 27, bdxc-news iog via DXLD)

Hi Jordan, I've had a radio parked on that frequency all day, but nothing heard so far yet. Cheers for now, (Alan Gale, 1421 Oct 27, ibid.)

** <u>GERMANY [and non]</u>. Relevanz: PowerRumpel https://twitter.com/SWRadiogram/status/1055181635681947649

"....Just before @SlowScanRadio on @Channel292 6070 kHz at 1830 UTC was an SSTV advert for the "100 kW Marathon" on December 26 ..."

Mein Hinweis dazu: The same constellation already existed exactly one week ago. Radio PowerRumpel Show ("Sonnenallee") with SSTV-image at the end, just before the start of the Slow Scan Radio Show, but Edition 11. Here's the sonogram + note for an upcoming WBCQ usage: http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/SW_Radiogram_2018-10-20.htm#PowerRumpel

bzw. direkt beim "Rumpelstilzchen-Sender": https://twitter.com/rpowerrumpel (roger thayer, germany, Oct 26, WOR iog via DXLD)

i.e.: ``Our next Radio PowerRumpelSchedule: Pump up the Volume
9. November 2300 UT With SSTV Broadcast !!! [FRIDAY]
!! On 5130 kHz WBCQ Maine USA !!``
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GREECE

** GREECE.

9420, ERT at 2133 in Greek with a mix of male and female pop, folk, and traditional vocals to a man with brief talk at 2142 and into another mix of male and female pop, folk, and traditional vocals to 2200 and a man with brief talk and a woman with an "Elliniki Radiophonica" ID and into traditional vocals — Good with some fading Oct 24 —

Whether it be pop, folk, or traditional vocals or instrumentals, even though I don't understand any of the languages involved, I'll gladly listen to European, Asian, African, or Latin American music over the crap that supposedly counts as today's popular music in North America these days. True music aficionados really need to get their noses out of their CD and MP3 collections and rediscover shortwave radio (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD)

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GREENLAND

** GREENLAND.

Greenland into Michigan right now --- Both 650 & 720 KNR are reaching Michigan right now with parallel programming. 720 is a relog while 650 is new here. 540 Hungary noted almost topping CBK here too a few minutes ago. General TA conditions continue to be very good as they have been for several nights now. 73,

(Tim Tromp, West Michigan, 0332 UT 27 Oct, IRCA via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

There MIGHT be something under WGN. KNR web audio, if it is live, has been a man talking, but now some music, but I'm not hearing the music on 720. WSM is not leaving room for anything else with its strong signal. Anyway, nice job getting both. That's got to be a record of some kind, so far into the interior. At Cappahayden, Newfoundland the 720 can be heard during the day

(Jim Renfrew, Clarendon NY, 0354 UT, ibid.)

Jim, Do you know if 570 is active, and if it's parallel to the others? Going for the trifecta tonight...:-) 73, (-Tim Tromp, ibid.)

I think they're all parallel, though I see 900 is no longer on (Jim Renfrew, ibid.)

570 and 720 are active and I think those are the only 2 active Greenland stations (Chuck Hutton, ibid.)

But Tim is reporting 650 tonight // to 720, so maybe you have outdated information, Chuck (Walt Salmaniw, ibid.)

Walt - Tim asked 2 questions:

- (1) is 570 active?
- (2) is it // 720?

I answered #1. It is indeed active. I didn't say anything about #2 (Chuck, ibid.) Huhh? (gh)

Awesome job with 650, Tim. I believe that may be the first reception of KNR 650 in the USA. I don't recall it being heard on Cape Cod way back years ago, but Mark C's recollection will be better than mine. I also don't think Bill has heard that one in Lubec where he'd have loads of CKGA QRM, but then again, maybe he has them. 73 KAZ, needing to do a lot of antenna work today so I can better get in on the TA fun (Neil Kazaross, IL, ibid.)

Thanks, Kaz. According to mwlist.org, 570 was logged by a DXer in Europe a few nights ago and I now see that 570 is listed (along with 650 & 720) on the KNR website. No luck here matching anything on 570 to 650 // 720 when those were heard last night at 0340 UT with nice choral music. 73,

(-Tim Tromp, WMI, Oct 27, ibid.)

No 650 Greenland here yet. The channel is all CKGA over WSRO early and, by a couple of hours after dark, a roiling stew of those plus Colombia, Cuba, and WSM.

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I have had 720 a few times though S-5 line noise has the channel not too usable in the should-be-useful just before sunset period. Nearby-beach outing would nail it on a regular basis when no auroral activity.

Canaries and Portugal are in the low-level 720 jumble right after sunset and Brazil, Colombia, WGN, WRZN, and others join in post-dusk. (Mark Connelly, WA1ION, South Yarmouth, MA, grid FN41vq, ibid.)

So the big news and thanks Tim Tromp. I knew you'd love being able to aim a DKAZ north and that I'd love seeing what you could log. So Greenland KNR here weakly thru a peaking 50 dB phase null on local WGN earlier. Announcers seemed // stream and bouncy music sung by ladies 0104-0108 clinched it. Stream is about 1 sec behind at the most. I could also tell when the voices of male announcers changed when they switched and that language was typical. 73 KAZ 12 miles NNW of WGN xmtr

(Neil Kazaross, Barrington IL, 0211 UT 28 Oct, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, ibid.)

Kaz, well done and amazing that you can pull this off with a 50 kW cochannel blowtorch just 12 miles away. Very impressive! 73, (-Tim Tromp, ibid.) More about this at RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM far below

GUAM

** GUAM.

7510, Oct 27 at 1422, sounds like an hymn, at S5-S7. Aoki/NDXC shows KTWR Korean between 1315 and 1515, but I just missed an English insertion Saturdays only at 1316-1346. Also, typhoon missed the godly stations here, not the government stations up in the CNMI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GUINEA

** GUINEA.

9650, R. Guinee Conakry in French 10.15.2018 1849-1911 man current affairs talk (some mentioning Guinee), with radio host brief talk at times, host announcement at 1859, brief afropop music, afropop song, man IDs "Radio Guinee" and announcement over song, brief drum beat, other man news in brief with sound breaks, afropop song and man IDs and announcements over song, ID Radio Guinee over farm animals sounds (horse neighing, etc.), men current affairs talk (with some voice disruptions and mike troubles), heard in usb, moderate fast qsb and moderate to lite qrn rustle, good

(Gianni Serra, Roma, Italy, Email: gianni24.dx@gmail.com Equipment: JRC NRD 525 receiver; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S antenna; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; JRC NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Sony MDR-101 stereo headphones; All times in UT, date in month/day format -- useful website: https://soundcloud.com/shortwaveology with recorded files of Interval Signals, jingles, programs etc of shortwave Radios, WOR iog via DXLD)

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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 9650, Radio Guineé OM talk in French and lively African music to ToH, then OM talx in French and mention of Guinea, and mention of Radio National at 2201 and more afro-beat music. 3+54+43+ nice reception 2155-2203 20/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire -- Zichi PO (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI with power outage, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

INDIA

** INDIA.

11560, Oct 27 at 1414, talk about Pakistan at S9-S7. AIR Bengaluru scheduled from Dari to Pashto at 1415 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

My Monitoring observations show that the following frequencies of new two 100 kW SW transmitters of AIR Delhi used for External Services is not heard lately. 7250, 7380, 7505, 7555, 9835, 9950, 11620. Only 4870 is heard now. DRM service from AIR Bengaluru on SW is also not heard lately (they are on AM mode now). Yours sincerely,

(Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Oct 23, dx india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA.

Monitored changes noted to All India Radio External Services from 29 Oct 2018

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2300-0000 Hindi
                  11590 (ex 11740)
0000-0045 Tamil
                  11590 (ex 11740)
0045-0115 Sinhala 11590 (ex 11740)
0130-0230 Nepali 9950 (ex 9800)
0230-0300 Hindi/English HS 9950 (ex 9800)
1300-1500 Sinhala 11590
(ex 11780)
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more observations soon..... Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India, Oct 29, dx-india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA.

On 27 October 2018, the Middle East service of AIR Bengaluru (ID "Akashvani Bengaluru Khendra") was observed on its scheduled frequencies with good audio:

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0215-0300: 13695 15030 kHz (music.

0222 talk of professor.

0225-0243 another lecture.

0248 ID. then silence as if the transmission had closed.

0250-0300 news)

http://websdr.ewi.utwente.nl:8901/ provided pleasant listening.

http://midskiwi.ddns.net:8073/ had the frequencies booming in.

The programme was also available on the Kannada web stream at

http://allindiaradio.gov.in/Default.aspx

but there was a considerable delay (2 Min).

India (Karnataka): AIR Bengaluru (612 kHz, FM) has an informative homepage at

http://www.airbengaluru.com

(Copyright 2018). The web site still features the detailed programme schedules for the main AM channel of 2015

http://airbengaluru.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/PROGRAMME-SCHEDULE-PC.pdf when I first noticed it. The site has a prominent table leading to web streams of the programmes AIR Bengaluru produces:

DRM Digital Radio Bengaluru

http://drm.airbengaluru.com/

Amruthavarshini (*2004) 101.1 MHz

http://amruthavarshini.airbengaluru.com/

Vividh Bharathi (*1970 on AM) 102.9 MHz

http://vividbharati.airbengaluru.com/

Rainbow FM (*2001) 101.3 MHz

http://rainbow.airbengaluru.com/

Primary (*1955) 612 kHz

http://primary.airbengaluru.com/

Raagam 24x7 DTH no link

The most interesting link is the DRM-link. This site offers the DRM-AM-stream (FM Rainbow) as well as the Journaline service with news (Top, International, National, State, Business, Bangalore Traffic), information about AIR in general and AIR Bengaluru in particular and also DRM Updates

(Dr Hansjoerg Biener, 27 October 2018, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

INTERNATIONAL VACUUM

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SiriusXM Scores Biggest Revenue Quarter Ever By Radio Ink - October 25, 2018

CEO Jim Meyer said, "I can't think of a more exciting time for all of us at SiriusXM. And I'm thrilled with the results we were able to deliver in the third quarter. I'm thrilled we attained our highest-ever quarter of revenue." And with \$1.47 billion in Q3, that's 6% over Q3 of 2017. SiriusXM's margin in the quarter hit 40% for the first time ever. Advertising revenue for the quarter was \$46.2 million, compared to \$41.5 million in the third quarter of 2017.

SiriusXM added 300,000 net new self-pay subs in the third quarter and now has 28.5 million self-pay subs with total paid subs now at 33.7 million. The satellite radio service is now installed in 113 million vehicles, up 13% over last year. That's 43% of all the cars in the country.

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Meyer said SiriusXM is a business that is humming along and it throws off cash in a highly predictable way that investors love. "Car buyers love SiriusXM and dealers will be placing SiriusXM prominently in the dash for many years to come."

Regarding the recent announcement to purchase Pandora, Meyer said with a user base of 70 million, and a \$1 billion-plus advertising business, there are many things the two companies can do together, including cross promoting on the two platforms (via Mike Terry, WOR iog via DXLD)

IRELAND

** IRELAND.

3413-USB, Oct 29 at 0453, YL VOLMET VP S5 equal to band noise level, EiBi says it is Shannon between 22 and 10; 3413 could also bear ATC comms from San Francisco at any hour. They are far apart, but why risk sharing? One could be on LSB, e.g. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JAPAN

** JAPAN.

R Nikkei (1) - 6055 (1136) S-3 signal, nice classical music. I think R Nikkei is my favorite station on SW at this time; even though I don't understand Japanese, announcers always seem to be upbeat and the music is always great

(Chris KC5IIE Krug, Tulsa, OK, Rec: FT-2000, Ant: 40m loop, Oct 23, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. Sheikh Jawahar from India writes to Facebook group QSL CHASERS, that since October 20 the email address of R. Japan: nhkworld [at] nhk.jp stops working. Students in English and Japanese are contact with the station via the web sending https://www.nhk.or.jp/nhkworld/en/contact/ I have been reports for a long time in this way, so that the connection works and with all language services, not only with English-Japanese (Dmitry Mezin, Kazan, Russia / "open_dx" via Rus-DX 28 Oct via DXLD)

KOREA NORTH

** KOREA NORTH.

9490.1, Honk jammer, 1223, 10/27/18. Pulsing honk jammer typical of DPRK jamming. Very brief few notes of contemporary style music at peaks of jammed VoA in Korean (listed at Tinian, but with the reported typhoon damage there, I doubt it was actually from there.) (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, Elad FDM-S2, Airspy HF+, ICOM R75, Tecsun PL 880, and various other portables; 42 meters dipole, 100' long wire, W6LVP loop, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

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KOREA SOUTH

** KOREA SOUTH.

First day back to alternate frequency 5920, Voice of Freedom, ex: 6045, at 1140, on Oct 23. start of the "Aneun geos-I him-ida" program in Korean ("Knowing is power"); good reception, with no jamming yet. My audio at http://goo.gl/BdmMVB

Oct 24 - Second day on 5920 and Voice of Freedom is already hit with N. Korea jamming; must be new record for them to so quickly find the move away from ex: 6045; VOF is getting to be too predictable now; fair reception even with jamming, at 1053

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

KURDISTAN

** KURDISTAN [non].

11530, MOLDOVA, R. Denge Welat, Grigoriopol in Kurdish 09.29.2018 0739-0812, Radio host interviews other men (long talking, mentioning Kurdistan, Tirkiye), Radio host talk, music pause at 0753, other man ID as Radio Denge Welat, song pause, Kurdish slow song with strings music, with man talk over it at its beginning; time pips at 0800, brief music pause, man reading news with music breaks (ment. Kurdistan, Iraq, Syria, Pakistan); heard in Ssb and AM with aux audio filter and S.9+10 of peak, lite qsb and rustle at times, very good.

11530, MOLDOVA, R. Denge Welat, Grigoriopol, in Kurdish, 10.20.2018 0743-0806 man talk, man radio host talk, music pause at 0751, man brief announcement, music break, other man long announcements with several IDs (Radyo Denge Welat), frequency quote (some ment. kiloherz), phone and web site, music pauses, man announcements over music, Kurdish chant with typical instrumental music, woman ID and announcement some seconds before 0800, time pips, music break into man reading news with music breaks, heard in usb, lite qsb with rustle at times, very good

(Gianni Serra, Roma, Italy, Email: gianni24.dx@gmail.com Equipment: JRC NRD 525 receiver; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S antenna; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; JRC NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Sony MDR-101 stereo headphones; All times in UT, date in month/day format -- useful website: https://soundcloud.com/shortwaveology with recorded files of Interval Signals, jingles, programs etc of shortwave Radios, WOR iog via DXLD)

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MADAGASCAR

** MADAGASCAR.

17640, African Pathways Radio with "Creation Moment" talking about how a large fungus in Oregon proves God designed life, and then into "The Martyrs" withtalk of the 'Anti-Pope' Jan Hus, a Czech theologian and Catholic priest and rector of a University in Prague who was burned at the stake in part for opposing the sale of indulgences, and the Church's teaching about the Eucharist. I had forgotten much about him! Then some music and a talk about HIV and 'if you aren't part of the solution you're a part of the problem'. Mentioned things like sharing needles and having sex with infected people is dangerous and having sex with a virgin not only won't cure AIDS but is rather dangerous for the virgin, and other rather common sense things. ID and schedule at 1851 and then dead air but carrier remained on until 1856. Decidedly sane stuff snuck into doctrine, I'd say! 44+4+4+4 with the QRM being my local noise, so anyone should be able to hear this even better than I did. The ANC-4 did help though. 1830-1856* 21/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +ANC-4 +randomwire

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not any more on 17640, moved to 13670 from Oct 28 (gh, DXLD)

17640, Oct 27 at 1850, MWV blasting in from the other worldside, never heard better, on BST-1 caradio, with African Pathways Radio hour in English already wrapping up. citing A-18 English sked with nothing about new frequencies effective tomorrow, such as 13670 for this 18-19 broadcast! Good way to lose listeners who are not following DXLD and HFCC. And at 20-21 11965 ex-17640. Will be interesting to hear how well these reach North America, still aimed USward, but could not be better than 17640 --- maybe resuming in A-19? Then at 1852 plays `Don`t Worry, Be Happy``, very nice song, ends at 1856, no further announcements and off after a bit of deadair.

Despite its evangelistic remit, I`m fond of this station, especially having touched its transmitters at Continental, Dallas, for HFCC B-11: http://www.w4uvh.net/hfcc19.jpg from my full report on that HFCC, with a lot of other info and photos: http://www.w4uvh.net/HFCCB11.html Hmmm, I couldn`t stop re-reading this after 7 years. How flime ties (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9490, Oct 27 at 2252, OM solo hymn in English, S6-S8; this too is MWV toward the end of its Chinese hour, the one toward China (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13670, Oct 28 at 1850, African Pathways Radio on MWV, S9+10 and better than expected despite losing 2 MHz of MUF in B-18 QSY ex-17640. Closing with updated frequency announcement of this at 18 and 11965 at 20, still 11825 at 04, to theme ``Don`t Worry, Be Happy`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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MARSHALL ISLANDS

** MARSHALL ISLANDS.

Mark [MA], I think a good bet for something DU/TP for you guys in N.E. is 1098 Marshall Islands and I think Bruce [NH], who does OK towards his WNW/NW has the best shot. One would hope it would have enough oomph to push past WTAM [1100 Cleveland].

Note that they s/off at 1130 and leave OC on AN. This is why you don't see us in the Midwest reporting them now. However, I've noted the OC up to 40 dB above the noise floor and 30 dB is common. DXers east of me with LSR near 1130 should at least see if they can detect a het/carrier. That's the first step to hoping to log them one special day. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, Barrington IL, Oct 24, IRCA at HCDX via DXLD) 1098 carrier has often been heard here, sufficient (gh, OK)

Re: 1098 OC: best ever level here at LSR (1218) slightly more than 40 dB above noise floor on peaks. This really should be able to push audio thru further east of here for DXers not clobbered by something on 1100 at SR, Again note that 1130 s/off time. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, Oct 26, IRCA via DXLD)

MEXICO

** MEXICO.

630, Oct 28 at 1215, Spanish plugging a program on Alba? 104.5, a Grupo Radio Centro station, 6:15 timecheck, music; loops SSW. Suspected XEFB Monterrey NL. WTFDA FM Database shows slogan ALFA 104.5, CHR format for XHMF-FM in Mty but does not relate it to 630 XEFB, which used to be news/talk. Is it now just an appendage of an FM, like so many US AM stations, or a promo for sibling station? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO.

820, Oct 25 at 1255, 7 minutes after LSR, the lower XE frequencies have already outfaded, but this is still in with romantic music vs WBAP nulled, presumed XEABCA Mexicali, but fades/loses out to WBAP before any ToH ID

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. El Mundo

--- Asesinan a un locutor de una emisora estatal en Acapulco México REUTERS | EP Ciudad de México

25 oct 2010 00.51

25 oct. 2018 09:53

https://www.elmundo.es/television/2018/10/25/5bd1750fe2704e62498b4579.html

Cartel en una concentración en Ciudad de México tras el asesinato de un periodista. AFP [caption]

Un locutor de una emisora estatal ha sido asesinado a tiros en la ciudad mexicana de Acapulco, según han informado este miércoles las autoridades, en el más reciente capítulo de una ola de agresiones contra trabajadores de los medios de comunicación.

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Gabriel Soriano, que trabajaba para el Sistema de Radio y Televisión del estado de Guerrero (RTG), fue agredido la noche de este miércoles cuando viajaba en una camioneta por una transitada calle de la turística ciudad.

La Fiscalía General del estado ha informado de que ha iniciado una investigación por el homicidio del comunicador.

"Lamentamos profundamente la irreparable y sensible pérdida de Gabriel Soriano. Nos unimos a la pena que embarga a familia y amigos", ha señalado RTG a través de su cuenta en la red social Twitter.

México se encuentra sumido en una espiral de violencia vinculada a las sangrientas batallas entre los cárteles del narcotráfico por el control del territorio.

Los periodistas, en particular, se han convertido en el blanco de la violencia en el país, clasificado como uno de los más peligrosos para ejercer la profesión (via Juan Franco Crespo, Spain, DXLD)

** <u>MEXICO</u>. RAYMIE`S MEXICO BEAT this week --- including DTV = TDT

Aire Libre will formally launch on Wednesday, October 25. https://twitter.com/airelibre_fm/status/1054900328410288129

Whenever IFT commissioners meet with industry actors, that meeting is summarized in a page on the IFT site. A couple in recent weeks are of potential interest.

On October 2, the IFT met with representatives from the Sistema Público de Radiodifusión de la Ciudad de México and Mexico City's new local government. Look closely. Yes, it's *an* SPR, but not *the* SPR. This is Mexico City's public broadcaster, revamped in the wake of the now-in-effect Mexico City constitution.

http://www.sinembargo.mx/18-09-2018/3472656

alongside some wanted, technology interesting: "best practices and technical viability/availability to create a new radio station for the Sistema Público de Radiodifusión de la Ciudad de México."

(Worth noting: the new SPR/CDMX takes over XHCDM-TDT Capital 21.)

It's been more than 35 years since Mexico City's government has operated a radio station. XHOF-FM Radio Departamento was rolled up into IMER upon its creation in March 1983, and that agency has held it ever since, despite some attempts in the mid-2000s by the Mexico City government to get it back. A new station would have to operate on AM. The station could conceivably operate on 1320 or 1610, both vacated in recent years (or months) in the Mexico City area.

A less clear-cut case is the meeting on September 20 with CPS Media (Compañía Periodística Sudcaliforniana) concerning a extend coverage". The question is how? It's definitely broadcastingrelated, as the Unidad de Espectro Radioeléctrico was involved.

dxld1844 33 / 97 Not many others from this year relate to broadcasting matters that haven't previously been discussed. There is one from February with the Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua about paperwork and filings related to XHRU-FM, which is likely something about its renewal (Raymie Humbert, Phœnix AZ, Oct 23, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Testing has begun for XHEP-FM Mexico City!

Tests took place last night and briefly today. https://twitter.com/RadioEducacion/status/1055160486726119424

Radio Educación will announce future test dates and times prior to going on the air; the station will go on and off for the next few days.

The transmitter, nicknamed Tenaz, is a Nautel VS 2.5. https://twitter.com/atenoriom/status/1054852878303617025

There's also HD Radio equipment on the rack — while this is an obligation of any second-wave migrant, I do expect Radio Educación to go for HD subchannels soon. They certainly have the signals to put on them

(Raymie, Oct 24, ibid.)

The violence against journalists in Mexico has struck broadcasting again.

This time, it was Radio y Televisión de Guerrero, https://twitter.com/El_Universal_Mx/status/1055297292801138688 which lost a 40-year-old DJ and producer named Gabriel Soriano when he was killed in an attack in the Puerto Marqués area of Acapulco. He produced a hiphop radio show for RTG and was in RTG's mobile unit returning from a production of Governor Héctor Astudillo Flores's annual state of the state speech when it was attacked (Raymie, Oct 24, ibid.)

[Re DXLD 18-43] Good timing on the Aire Libre part — they actually had a news conference today! Their non-music programming will begin on November 1.

The big surprise: Víctor Trujillo aka Brozo (aka the guy Acustik could only keep around for seven months) is now on the Aire Libre team and will be in place in mornings. He's even launched a fake poll to promote his return, riffing off of the Mexico City airport referendum.

Aire Libre's splash is credible. Creative director Martín Delgado said, "It's time to give the microphone back to the artists of the city, to the creators"

https://twitter.com/airelibre_fm/status/1055495963014545408

and said the station's format is "no format at all",

https://twitter.com/airelibre_fm/status/1055507458909749248

while Ilana Sod (who will take up a 9-11am shift) talked of "moving away from the coldness of algorithms"

https://twitter.com/airelibre_fm/status/1055508368339755009

in curating the music for the station (Raymie, Oct 25, ibid.)

The RPC added a bunch of tech sheets yesterday, the first major addition of sheets in over a year.

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Three are major class increases. 5 kW XHMBM Guadalajara is now 45 kW. 2.67 kW XHCUA Campeche is now 10 kW. 3 kW XHELI Morelia is now 15 kW.

The CPCREL already contained all of the changes included (Raymie, Oct 26, ibid.)

A couple of stations in Oaxaca are coming along.

XHYAT-FM 94.1 apparently held a casting last month.

https://www.facebook.com/tribuna.ixtepec/videos/vb.100003813353838/12732421261462 20/

It will have its studios in Ciudad Ixtepec and be known as Oaxaca Radio, but someone please remind them of their actual callsign.

https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?

fbid=1293984730738626&set=a.753301118140326&type=3&theater

The other is XHPHUA-FM 100.1, the other IFT-4 station in Huajuapan de León, which is now on test.

https://www.facebook.com/iveth.zarate/posts/10212968565596473

That news was announced on Facebook by Iveth Zárate, the ZA in Enza Telecom, the concessionaire. Next up is probably XHPNOC-FM 96.5 Asunción Nochixtlán, as there are no parameters on file for the third station, XHPCRU-FM 94.5 in Salina Cruz (Raymie, Oct 28, ibid.)

This is a news story in two parts.

The first is that Grupo ACIR is making a major streaming push. https://es.digitaltrends.com/entretenimiento/iheartradio-llega-a-mexico/

It rolled out iHeartRadio México today with a full formal launch on Saturday during a music event in Miami.

(ACIR stations had previously been on iHeart, and of course ACIR was once part-owned by Clear Channel.)

That's a snoozer (though it shows how far behind some Mexican radio groups are at getting into new technologies that they're fairly ahead of the curve). What they're doing in Mexico City to promote it, though, is not.

For several hours, in what appears to be a purely promotional move, ACIR has removed all the programming from the over-the-air signals of their stations (except XHPOP, I suppose for contractual reasons with Disney) and replaced it with a loop encouraging users to download that new iHeartRadio México app. A look at the @889Noticias https://twitter.com/889Noticias definitely makes one think this is coordinated push — just look at all the retweets personalities, mentions of the signal being "encoded" (what strange language to use here) and links to download the app! (Note that this did not extend outside of Mexico City.)

If there were an engineering fault at the Ciudad de la Radio FM transmitter site and they promoted the app to keep listening to the stations, that's one thing. But the stations remained on the air (in fact, even XEFR and XEL, which use separate sites, got dragged into this one). The timing is suspicious: @iHeartRadioMx made its first tweet this morning.

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Come on, ACIR. Nobody is falling for this trick. Not the industry watchers. Not your listeners. And certainly not me.

[tagline:] Este programa es público, ajeno a cualquier partido político. Queda prohibido el uso para fines distintos a los establecidos en el programa (Raymie, Oct 29, ibid.)

NEPAL

** NEPAL.

5005, Radio Nepal (presumed), 1101-1115*, on Oct 24. Again with definite carrier; unable to confirm DRM from what I'm hearing in SSB. Certainly is not here on a daily basis. Still testing?

DXLD 18-42: Glenn's comment - "If it's really DRM, there should be no trace of an AM carrier amid the noise."

Glenn - 99+% of all my monitoring is done in SSB. I only check for the AM carrier with stations like Taiwan on 9410 kHz., etc. For Nepal, too much QRM from WRMI on 5010, to be able to confirm no AM carrier on 5005

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

99+% of my monitoring is also done in SSB, but by stepping one kHz up or down, it`s clear whether any signal has a carrier or not (gh, DXLD)

[non-log]. 5005, Radio Nepal, Oct 26 no carrier (SSB) at all detected 1056+

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

NETHERLANDS

** <u>NETHERLANDS [non]</u>.

Germany, Eastern: 5960, The Mighty KBC -- I tuned away briefly from the pirate to decode the digital minute from 0130 to 0131, and then tuned back when the pirate was done at 0144. The digital minute talked about the typical fall scene and included this image: [visible in the WOR iog] and for the balance of the transmission they had oldies like Meatloaf "Two out of Three" and similar. 5554+4+ with S9+35dB signal, THIS close to all 5s; even with the noise back the signal was so strong that it wasn't really noticeable. 0130-0131 and 0144-0200* 21/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno, +randomwire +FLDigi for digital bits, on AC (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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NEW ZEALAND

** NEW ZEALAND.

5980, Oct 27 at 1421, RNZI is still here with poor signal this late after SR here, on the last day of A-18. Tomorrow with B-18, it`s to be on 7390 from 1300, which should be better for us. Full sked: RNZI B-18 28 Oct 2018 - 31 Mar 2019

https://www.radionz.co.nz/international/listen

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(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
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[and non]. 7390, Oct 28 at 1346, RNZI on NF for B-18, ex-5980; would be sufficient were it not for high local crackling noise level, which if it upkeep will severely limit my monitoring! It`s S9+20 peaking on the 7 MHz band, less but plenty above and below.

At least WWCR has not shown up on 7390, a surprise new frequency it registered for 14-18 at 85 degrees, alternate for WWCR-2? Nor is 7390 on the B-18 schedules at wwcr.com; while 7490 continues with WWCR-2, S9+50 at 1400 check, until 1600

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NPR on 9765 kHz, not scheduled in HFCC database (28-Oct-2018 0640 UT). [a few minutes later:] Just looked at "Glenn Hauser logs October 27-28, 2018" ... it seems to be Radio New Zealand International, 0559 - 1058 9765 Pacific Daily

(-- Alexander Busneag, Germany, WOR iog via DXLD)

Yes, if you want to hear NPR on SW, RNZI is the place! For certain programs via RNZ. Godforbid any US SW station, public or private, should rediffuse NPR! (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

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NIGERIA

** NIGERIA.

9689.92, V. of Nigeria, Ikorodu in Hausa 10.16.2018 2041-2057* man talk, local instrumental music pause and announcements, man talking with other man exterior reporter, (till 2053) local singsong chant, man talk (mentioning Nigeria) with some music breaks, local instrumental sound pause, s/off at 2057, better in usb with inter filter to nullify het, fast qsb, moderate qrn rustle; fair (Gianni Serra, Roma, Italy, Email: gianni24.dx@gmail.com Equipment: JRC NRD 525 receiver; Alpha Delta DX-SWL Sloper-S antenna; RG 8 mini coaxial cable; JPS NIR 12 Noise & Interference Reducer-Dual DSP outboard audio filter; JRC NVA 319 external loudspeaker unit; Sony MDR-101 stereo headphones; All times in UT, date in month/day format -- useful website: https://soundcloud.com/shortwaveology with recorded files of Interval Signals, jingles, programs etc of shortwave Radios, WOR iog via DXLD)

** NIGERIA [non].

11580, Oct 25 at 2013 check, Radio Nigeria, Kaduna, via WRMI is OFF. Is it all over already? Check the original spans, 05 -09, 11-15, 20-23.

11580, Oct 26 at 0604, no signal from WRMI with Radio Nigeria, Kaduna; but in the nightmiddle that's not conclusively off as was the case during last daytime check at 2013 Oct 25. BUT, Oct 26 at 1335, it's back on VG S9+10 with continuous Friday Qur'aning until 1358 YL ID.

This cantor is a somewhat higher tenor than usual, and pace is slightly faster, but very beautiful with reverb, artificial? He could have been an opera singer or a crooner. Since I can't understand a single word of it, I appreciate it on a purely artistic level with no religious baggage. And the third transmission is back on too, 11580 Oct 26 at 2250 check, VG in presumed Hausa. Perhaps yesterday it was just late starting after 2000

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NORTH AMERICA

** NORTH AMERICA [non].

7470 or 7465, Oct 25 at 0229 and 0349, no sign of Station YHWH. Despite frequent chex around these times and frequencies. last time heard was Sept 28 at 0253, and I have seen no reports since. Latest one in HFU was Sept 22 shortly after QSY from 7470 to 7465. Nor have I heard Josiah on 11490 in the daytime again after catching him there once.

7465, Oct 26 at 0004, earlier than YHWH would be on, I do have a JBA carrier, which would be BBC Singapore in Myanmarianese until 0030. Latest Oct 26 at 0300 Aoki/NDXC adds:

0045-0130 TWR India via Uzbekistan, and even includes YHWH:

7465 0000-0700 USA YHWH Eng 1-7

and picked up my single log expanded to a possible daily 6-hour span: 11490 1800-2400 USA YHWH Eng 1-7

as if were a legit station, but NO ordinary North American pirates below 7000

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA.

Pirates: 6930.01/USB, Wolverine Radio with the usual mix of music, this time with an apparent 'weather' theme: "Ain't no Sunshine" and "Riders on the Storm" were two I knew, but there were more obscure ones too. Several IDs, including one at 0124. The modulation was excellent and presented a full 4000 Hz bandwidth that sounded pretty good. There was a SSTV image at the end (as usual) this time: [visible on the WOR iog] which was a little 'funkified' because of the noise that reappeared once the power came back on, even though I was still running DC for the recording. Ah, well, it is a little 'wiggly' but still clear! 4544+4 while the power was out, at 0114 the power came back and even though I was still running on DC the noise level went up about 20 dB to -95 dB noise floor, (S7 or so) and it went from 'good' to 'fair to good'. 0104-0133* 21/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +Multimode OSX for SSTV +randomwire antenna. I didn't decode the SSTV until after the power was back on and I rebooted the Mac! --Zichi MI and PO

6940/USB, Wolverine Radio with "Hot Time in the City Tonight" and ID, and then OM mumbling something including an abrupt "Wolverine Radio QSY". If he SAID 6930, I didn't hear it, but see log above. The audio from the microphone was MUCH worse than the music -- he must have a pretty poor mike! 44+4x4 with some digi-splatter from 6942 which was likely why the frequency change. It didn't REALLY bother things here so long as I narrowed the bandwidth. 0102-0104 21/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire antenna --Zichi PO

Logs denoted '--PO' were from an extended power outage in Williamston which dropped my local ambient noise significantly, and stopped the QRM that plagues me here. Whenever there is a power outage, the conditions are so much better -- it is a pain to need to fire up the generator to keep us warm and our food cold, but there is at least a silver lining! I held off until 1830 UT before firing up the generator (power went off at 1659) and didn't come back until 0114 the next day, so, although I had 'chores' to deal with I did confirm that my new generator is pretty RF quiet (always a good thing!) meaning I could use my AM Stereo receiver while it was running, and as I mentioned, run the furnace and freezer/refrigerator etc.

(And BTW ... I have neighbors who didn't get power back for over 48 hours so WE got off 'light'!)

And yes, Williamston gets a LOT of power outages. We are at the very end of DTE's service area, and my comment has been that whenever a mosquito sneezes in Pinckney, we lose power. Seriously, how many people in the 'first world' these days keep wind-up clocks and oil hurricane lamps handy 'just in case'? Not in an 'emergency kit' somewhere but out and ready for use — We do!

As usual --MI denotes logs from Williamston when the power was on (Kenneth Vito Zichi, WOR iog via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA.

6925-USB, Oct 27 at 2232, WFDR with a speech by the President, poor signal. (How one longs for a leader of his calibre!! But as soon as I was born, he was gone.) Off long before next check Oct 28 at 0125. Many more logs here:

https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,47316.0.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** NORTH AMERICA.

6879.00-USB, Oct 27 at 2234 pirate music without voice at first difficult to pinpoint, 6879.7? 6879.3? Or was it varying? Also some lesser modulation on the LSB, and at times traces of a carrier. Segues and no announcements past 2245, still going when I quit at 2258, and not on when I resume at 0125 Oct 28. It`s Mix Radio International per many more logs here starting at 1616!:

https://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,47300.0.html

No other pirates heard this Saturday evening, altho HFU got some more; still not close enough to Hallowe'en e'en tho it's the weekend (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Lubavitcher/Moshiach 1700: see USA

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

** NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS.

Category 5 Super Typhoon Yutu slams Tinian Island, home of an IBB relay site.

https://weather.com/storms/typhoon/news/2018-10-24-super-typhoon-yutu-mariana-islands-guam-western-pacific

Is anyone hearing IBB relays from the island? (Ethan Best, KC9YDN, Oct 24, WORiog via DXLD) Viz., partially:

Super Typhoon Yutu has weakened slightly but remains a powerful Category 4 storm as it traverses the Philippine Sea en route to Southeast Asia. Yutu was the strongest typhoon of record to pass over the islands of Saipan and Tinian in the U.S. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Yutu left behind major damage in Saipan and Tinian in what is being called the worst case scenario for the islands. For more details on impacts, see the link below.

(MORE: Latest Updates on Damage From Yutu)

https://weather.com/storms/hurricane/news/2018-10-24-typhoon-yutu-impacts-northern-mariana-islands

(via DXLD)

Re: [WOR] Category 5 Super Typhoon Yutu slams Tinian Island, home of an IBB relay site. Further reports say Saipan was just as hard hit as Tinian:

https://weather.com/storms/hurricane/news/2018-10-24-typhoon-yutu-impacts-northern-mariana-islands

Does anyone have any official info from IBB, about Tinian status? What about nearby Saipan; is it scathed or not? Seems only Tinian is in the news about this. How about the private stations on Guam?

If TIN is out of service, as many transmissions as possible could be transferred to other sites such as Saipan, Tinang, Udorn, and we would never know which by listening without any local IDs. Glenn

Here are the A-18 00-03 UT registrations for Tinian. Please check; altho unlikely to propagate much into North America during this period. The whole IBB thing is here: http://hfcc.org/data/schedbybrc.php?seas=A18&broadc=IBB

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15690	0000	0100	49E	Lao 289	250	1234567	
15700	0030	0130	49W	Mya 280	250	1234567	
17830	0030	0130	49W	Mya 287	250	1234567	
15580	0100	0200	43,44	Uig 305	250	1234567	
17635	0100	0200	42,43W	Bod 295	250	3 5	
17665	0100	0200	42,43W	Bod 295	250	7	
17685	0100	0200	42,43W	Bod 295	250	2 4 6	
17700	0100	0200	42,43W	Bod 295	250	1	
21550	0200	0300	42,43W	Bod 295	250	1234567	

Note the 01-02 Bod = Tibetan are surely jammed, and frequency-hop depending on day of week (Glenn Hauser, Oct 25, WOR iog via DXLD)

Following press reports that Cat 5 Super Typhoon Yutu caused extreme damage to Tinian and Saipan, I expect that the IBB relay stations are victims. Early UT Oct 26, before and after 0100, I check the HFCC A-18 listed Tinian frequencies: 15690, 15700, 17830, 15580, 17685, and hear nothing. Of course this could just be due to propagation, altho ChiCom jammers on 15 and 17 MHz bands had been audible before 0000.

I then make an inquiry to the manager of the Marianas stations:

``What is the status of the Kamosa stations? Presumably off air due to no power, or generator backup? Damage heavy? Transmissions switched to other sites? Details? Hope staff are OK.``

Reply from William Martin, manager:

``Glenn, Both stations were completely wiped out. Antennas mangled, roofs partially torn off, fence lines flattened. Both sites will be off air a minimum 6 months, possibly up to a year.

I am working with the Philippines government to provide a temporary RFA broadcast authority. I've recruited embassy assistance to help push, but we may not hear anything until next week. A huge mess in the CNMI. Will`

He then forwards some of the first photos from Tinian, labeled microwave shelters:

http://www.w4uvh.net/TinianYutuDamage1.jpg http://www.w4uvh.net/TinianYutuDamage2.jpg

Note: previously I have generally filed in DXLD as SAIPAN and TINIAN separately rather than as Northern Mariana Islands (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

More info on the damage, from Mica F Cochran of USAGM - not sure from which island, if there be any difference, Saipan and Tinian:

``Glen[n], Heavy Damage and couldn't transmit if we had power. Antennas severally damaged, site facilities damaged. Generator issues due to water intrusion, and so on. I could write you a book. That said, everyone is o.k. but up to our necks in everything imaginable. V/R``

And from Glenn Swiderski, NC: ``Wow! Bet they`re happy they trashed Delano and Dixon now. The stations on Tinian and Saipan were built in nothing more than steel Butler buildings. Imagine a shortwave station in a garage. That`s what they had.

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What`s great is the guy who the stations are named after [Robert E. Kamosa] took great pride in shutting shortwave down. We referred to him as "Dr. Death"``

(Glenn Hauser, Oct 26, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good morning --- at least here in Alberta. I just noticed at 1705 UT October 26 that China continues to "jam" Radio Free Asia's Chinese broadcasts on 9965 and 9355 kHz, both of which are not audible during breaks in music. So I suspect RFA has not been able to find alternate transmitter sites for these two transmissions that normally come from the now destroyed Northern Marianas Island site on Saipan. Tinian has also be destroyed by Typhoon Yutu. 73

(Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, Alberta, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: ``Wow! Bet they`re happy they trashed Delano and Dixon now.``

Not closer even to eastern China than Europe. So they could as well book some transmissions from Nauen, Issoudun and, if antennas there are suitable, Woofferton as substitutes. Would not be a first, RFA Tibetan was on air from Germany until quite recently.

And now a particularly interesting detail: Mandarin radio from RFA was already slated for closure, as next one after Vietnamese radio which they had terminated in June. So I would not be surprised if just no further action will be taken.

Are any covers already in place at all? At least from own facilities where no lengthy bureaucratic procedures slow down things, as I understand is the case for ordering services from third parties (like Media Broadcast, TDF, Encompass)? Does not look as if this considered an urgent matter. I think this would have been much different ten years ago.

If you want to take a look at the described shacks... [very detailed!] https://files.govtribe.com/fbo/fe4948dcf7608ef2fef3a2c3c591226e/911da83005d4a08b279afb10251ecf7e

For comparison: This was, for just four years, the original home of most Tinian transmitters... https://goo.gl/maps/vjkudC4YnMQ2
(Kai Ludwig, Germany, Oct 27, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

As of late Oct 27, I cannot find anything on the IBB, BBG, USAGM or VOA websites about Typhoon Yutu damage to their own SW transmitters sites on Saipan and Tinian; just these general stories, illustrated, really from AP:

https://www.voanews.com/a/us-sends-aid-to-pacific-islands-devastated-by-huge-typhoon/4631465.html

https://www.voanews.com/a/northern-marianas-slammed-super-typhoon-yutu-face-slow-recovery/4629555.html

WRTH 2018 shows only two MW stations in the CNMI, both 1.1 kW on Saipan, KCNM 1080 and KKMP 1440, which just happen to end in zero to match US autos; and 9 FM stations. How are they? BTW, one of them, 89.9 KORU relays KSDA-FM Guam (not the SW programming) Hmmm, remember when KORU was in Tulsa OK on 103.3?

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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COUNTRIES - OKLAHOMA

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11850, ILHAS MARIANAS DO NORTE: Radio Free Asia, Tinian, Ch, 27/10 2310. OM: Locução de estúdio, entrevista com YL. 35553 (RG).. ** Tx com 319º Az para a costa leste da China (Rudolf Grimm, São Bernardo SP, BRASIL, http://dxways-br.blogspot.com

(Rudolf Grimm, São Bernardo SP, BRASIL, http://dxways-br.blogspot.com radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Must not have heard that Tinian station was destroyed by typhoon! Probably CNR1 jamming still rampant before any substitute site could be arranged, if ever (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

OKLAHOMA

** OKLAHOMA [non]. Broad Spectrum Radio: see USA: WRMI

I checked the website http://broadspectrumradio.com circa Nov 2 and found it had not been updated since June! No info about newer programs which have continued to air altho with many repeats and mostly beepery. Webpage also autolaunches audio of an old show about Oklahoma matters I heard long ago (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

OMAN

** OMAN.

15140, Radio Sultanate of Oman at 1400 with a fanfare and a woman with news headlines and another fanfare at 1401 and the woman with news in depth to 1411 and a male DJ with a mention of "The nation's station in Oman" and into pop vocals — Fair to Good with fading Oct 25 (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA yg via DXLD) Newscast used to be at 1430; never audible here any more (gh)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

3260, NBC Madang (Maus Blong Garamut), 1149-1202, Oct 23. DJ in Pidgin playing pop songs; 1202-1204* with news in English; cut off in midnews; stronger than normal signal

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100' long wire, WOR iog via DXLD)

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PERU

** PERU.

5025. R, QUILLABAMBA. Octubre 24. 0150-0203 UT. Música serrana. Luego, desde las 0200 avisos en quechua y luego salida del aire a las 0203. SINPO: 45343 (Claudio Galaz, Receptor: TECSUN PL 660, ANTENA: Hilo largo de 30 metros + balun 9:1+ tierra; Lugar de escucha: Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) I = 5, i.e. no QRM whatsoever from Cuba; was Rebelde off? (gh, DXLD)

** PERU.

5980, Oct 25 at 2357, JBA carrier, or maybe two slightly beating, presumed R. Chaski. I strain to hear when it autocutoff, which is not until 0001* Oct 26, but it`s so weak I can`t pin it down to the split second. This is the one I used to pursue when its cutoff was slipping about 6.5 seconds later per noctem, but I don`t think it does that any longer. In season now, maybe I will get it another time to compare (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PHILIPPINES

** PHILIPPINES.

9795, Oct 27 at 2256, ``Jesus Saves`` IS on keyboard at S4-S6, but not bad for due west from FEBC Iba preceding the semihour in Mon (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ROMANIA

** ROMANIA.

6130, Oct 28 at 0134, RRI ending `People & Places`, fair S9-S5. This must be my first official B-18 logging, new frequency and English time one hour later. Reception from Europe NVG, hardly any on 9 MHz. Other frequency is 7325 which I did not notice in scanning that band, even poorer? BTW, RRI has a listeners` contest going; see website, if not hear radio. Amount of participation in that might influence how much longer they keep shortwaving (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. Radio Romania International. Dear Colleagues. With the help of our curator, we dealt with diplomas of the IRR. I wrote first to Tatiana Codreanu about the diploma for 15 years of listening to the IGR. At first they refused me, said that there is no such diploma. After the scan copy of Dmitry's diploma, I was told that this diploma was a personal initiative of the former Dh-host of the IRR. And the other day I received a letter from Bucharest.

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Dear Vladimir Pivovarov, Regarding the issue you raised, the IRR management concluded that the Diploma should be introduced in 15 years of continuous monitoring of our broadcasts, so with the first letter this Diploma will be sent to you. I will make a message about this in one of the following releases of the Club DX program, so that all our listeners know about it. Thank you for helping us clarify this issue. I wish you all the best and 73! Tatyana Codreanu, Russian Service IRR (Vladimir Pivovarov, Ukraine / "deneb-radio-dx", Rus-DX 999, 21 Oct, distributed 28 Oct, via DXLD)

SAO TOME

** <u>SAO TOME</u>. Customer Support in São Tomé By Connie Braesch DLA Energy Public Affairs

http://www.dla.mil/AboutDLA/News/NewsArticleView/Article/1669187/customer-support-in-sao-tome/

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Defense Logistics Agency Energy Europe and Africa Quality Assurance Representative Elias Odar watches as a fuel vessel anchors a few miles off the Sao Tome Coast, June 19. Photo courtesy of DLA Energy employee Sammy Sobah.

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Defense Logistics Agency Energy Europe and Africa Quality Assurance Representative Elias Odar stands with local Sao Tome Voice of America employees as they prepare to connect a fuel hose to the vessel, June 19. Photo courtesy of DLA Energy employee Sammy Sobah.

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Defense Logistics Agency Energy Europe and Africa Quality Assurance Representative Elias Odar (middle) provides guidance to two local Sao Tome Voice of America engineers as they prepare to gauge a fuel tank, June 20. Photo courtesy of DLA Energy employee Sammy Sobah. PRINT|E-MAIL Oct. 23, 2018 --

To the Defense Logistics Agency Energy team, customer service isn't just a phone call, rather it's responding around the clock to realworld logistics needs.

When the Voice of America Broadcasting Station located in a remote African island expressed concerns about their contracted fuel delivery, DLA Energy Europe and Africa decided the station required on-site support.

"United Capital Investments Group (fuel contractor) was making their first delivery to this location under a new contract," said Lead Customer Account Specialist Sammy Sobah. "For this delivery, it was important for DLA to send experts to the field to advise the customer on best practices and ensure the contractor is in compliance with the contract."

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To help provide a smooth transition to the new contractor, Sobah and Quality Assurance Representative Elias Odar traveled to the island of Sao Tome off the west coast of Africa. Their mission was to oversee the fuel delivery from ship arrival all the way to product sampling in the storage tanks.

"The ship size during the 2017 delivery was an issue causing several problems for VOA," Sobah said. "For the 2018 delivery, Elias ensured the ship dimensions were compatible with the delivery location to ensure the ship size was acceptable - not too big or the draft was too deep to hit the ocean bottom."

Because the island doesn't have a deep water port, challenges of delivering fuel to this small island about 140 miles off the northwestern coast of Gabon. Sobah said VOA has its own marine terminal and two buoy mooring systems located about one kilometer offshore, but fuel has to be transferred from ship to shore using a six-inch floating hose. The floating hose is deployed to the mooring buoys using a small coastal boat.

During the three-day evolution, DLA Energy conducted a thorough review of the operation. First, Sobah and Odar examined the certificate of quality to ensure the product is traceable. Prior to discharge, they conducted a meeting with the contractor and VOA to operation, emergency and stoppage procedures. During and after the ship's discharge, they provided training materials and went over with VOA maintenance/quality team the best practices for sampling and gauging tanks recommended both at shore and at ship.

Upon completion of the fuel delivery, Sobah said everything went well and the customer was very appreciative of the visit. Sobah and Odar recommended that VOA continue to verify the traceability of product for future deliveries as well as to follow quality surveillance best practices for their fuel storage site. They also told VOA they will continue to follow up to ensure the terms of the contract are being fulfilled.

As part of the U.S. Agency for Global Media, VOA is an international multimedia broadcaster with service in more than 40 languages and an estimated weekly global audience of 236.8 million (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

SOMALILAND

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(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Oct 23 at 0330+, no signal from R. Hargeisa. Checking since Wolfgang Bueschel noted it missing Oct 21 at 0425. Has it finally evacuated the hamband or gone for good? Needs more monitoring. WRTH 2018 nominal schedule was 0330-0500, 0900-1400, 1500 -1900. Note it could sometimes be heard by longpath in C&W North America in the 13-14 hour which included some English (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1953, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 7120, Oct 25 at 0349, still AWOL is Radio Harqeisa

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SOUTH CAROLINA

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non].

Bulgaria: 9400, Overcomer Ministries via Bulgaria, with Bro Spare-a-dime pontificating in a rather unremarkable way -- just his usual end-times rants, and he didn't say anything extra stupid during the time I listened. [see also BULGARIA]

This was // 9330.19 WBCQ which was 3+443+3+ and 9395 WRMI which was 3+4443+ all amazingly similar quality! 343+3+3, 1920-1930 19/0ct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire +ANC4

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SPAIN

** <u>SPAIN</u>. Glenn, I imagine you already know, but Radio Exterior de España is returning to shortwave. Maybe they found some money, or, maybe they realize that the internet is very censorship-prone, and are getting back on the airwaves. Here's the link:

http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/emision-en-ingles/english-language-broadcast-back-on-the-air-next-week-27-10-18/4815406/ All the best, (Kent D Murphy, Oct 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15520, 17855, 17715, 15390, Radio Exterior de España, on air now, 1615-1648 UT, 23-10, with program "El Ojo Crítico", in parallel with Radio Nacional de España, Radio 1, medium wave and FM. At 1645 sport program "Tablero Deportivo", with live soccer Champions League.

http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/el-ojo-critico/ "El ojo crítico Lunes a viernes de 18.00 a 19.00 horas. En Radio Exterior, de 16.00 a 17.00 horas UTC"

In the website of "El Ojo Crítico" they announced this program is on air 1800-1900 Central European Time on Radio Nacional, Radio 1, and on Radio Exterior, 1600-1700 UT, but until now Radio Exterior was opening transmission at 1800 UT. They announced on its website, from October 28, will open at 1600, instead of 1800 UT.

http://www.rtve.es/radio/20181019/radio-exterior-espana-amplia-emisiones-onda-corta/1821780.shtml

(Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non] 9690, Oct 28 at 1854, REE `Tablero Deportivo` excited about sports scores, on reactivated B-frequency for North America, ex-17855; would be sufficient by now, except for het! From weaker off-frequency-to-low-side Voice of Nigeria, which also reactivated this frequency several weeks ago; a collision everyone should have anticipated despite Nigerian absence from HFCC; should be over by 2030 or 2100.

And guess what, Madagascar WV northerly in Russian is also listed on 9690 at 19-20! // 12030 REE is better, S9 and no QRM, tho aimed 110 degrees, exactly opposite from 9690, expanded scheduling for which calls for 15-23 Sat & Sun, but 19-04 on M-F/UT Tue-Sat. 12030 HFCC sked is different: Sat/Sun 15-24, M-F 16-24. I`m not sure all those times are exactly correct, as REE itself has put out conflicting info.

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Still registered are a bunch of other frequencies, most of them surely alternates from four transmitters max, often fewer: 11685, 11940, 15110, 15390, 15500, 17715, 17755, 17855, 21620 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The blog of Vladimir Emelyanov "Distant eXperience" --- for justice, I will mention the link: https://vk.com/dxing?w=wall-3271973_3725 --- contains a record of today's release of the "Club DX", prepared by Vadim Alekseyev. Among other news, mention is made of a message from the leading Russian service Svetlana Demidova (listen from the 11th minute) on the possible resumption of broadcasting in Russian in the winter season at a frequency of 12030 kHz from 1800 UT on Mon. Wed and Fri. It is especially emphasized that there will be NO QSL, so you should not "bombard" anyone from REE and her personally with reports on admission. The first appearance of Svetlana Demidova in the KV-air will take place on October 29 in the evening, then there will be just music during the week

(Vasily Gulyaev, Astrakhan, Russia / "open_dx" via Rus-DX 28 Oct via DXLD)

Broadcasting on HF is not only declining, but sometimes it expands. Various DXs are written in forums with a link to the Radio Exterior de Espan~a website, which is on October 28, the volume of REE broadcasting on weekdays will increase from 4 to 8 hours a day. Foreign languages ??in the schedule, however, still does not smell [sic!], and even since time it has become too confusing: different clocks for different geographic zones, different hours on weekdays and on weekends.

Mon-Fri 16:00-24:00 11685 (West Africa and South Atlantic), 12030 (Middle East and South Asia)
Mon-Fri 19:00-03:00 9690 (North America), 11940 (South America)
Sat, Sun 15:00-23:00 9690 (North America), 11685 (West Africa and South Atlantic), 11940 (South America), 12030 (Middle East and South Asia)

If we approach the matter formally, then we can say that on weekdays REE will to work on HF in general for 11 hours, but as far as I understood it will go on the air the same program, just with a 3-hour shift

(Dmitry Mezin, Kazan, Russia / "open_dx" via RusDX #1000, Oct 28 via DXLD)

12030, Monday October 29 at 1800, REE starts new Russian broadcast after Spanish; as some Russian DXers had been notified to expect. I wonder if REE can adjust its antenna headings, as this one has been toward ME, with none toward Russia.

9690 is not on yet, just Nigeria on 9690-. While I`m busy with WORLD OF RADIO, John Figliozzi discovers 9690 with new English broadcast at 2300 Oct 29, and welcomed by several others in eastern North America. Supposedly on air until 0400, with any other languages or more English? By 0100 Oct 30 check here, has faded to JBA and hardly anything else on 31m, despite K-index of 0 and no storms (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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GEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 COUNTRIES - SOUTH CAROLINA 5 Nov 2018 06:51:10 9689.92, NIGERIA, V. of Nigeria Ikorodu in Hausa 10.16.2018 2041-2057* man talk, local intrumental music pause and announcements, man talking with other man exterior reporter, (till 2053) local singsong chant, man talk (mentioning Nigeria) with some music breaks, local instrumental sound pause, s/off at 2057, better in usb with inter filter to nullify het, fast qsb, moderate qrn rustle; (Serra, Roma, Italy)`

Quote from the letter - With regard to the departure from short waves ... After leaving the short waves of the International Spanish Radio, I asked Svetlana Demidova: "After the departure of REE from short did the number of letters from the listeners decrease probably?". To which Svetlana replied: "They simply do not exist." Question and answer brought word by word

(Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan , Russia / "deneb-radio-dx" via Rus-DX 28 Oct via DXLD)

No sign of REE on 9690, 11685, or 11940 kHz at 1645 UT today (Monday 29 October) neither here in NB nor using the U. Twente SDR receiver. Only 12030 kHz audible (in Spanish) weakly here in NB but with a strong signal using the U. Twente receiver. Am recording 9690 kHz here in NB to see when they come on and whether there will be any English today

(-- Richard Langley, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12030 did go into Russian at 1800, and 9690 still not on, just offfrequency Nigeria (Glenn, ibid.)

Confirmed. And still 12030 kHz seems to be the only frequency on right now [1813]. Back into Spanish at 1830. Now signing on with IS on 9690 and 11940 kHz a few minutes before 1900. Nothing being heard still on 11685 kHz. 9690 kHz strong here in NB. No het or significant QRM noticed from Nigeria. Spanish.

Sorry for all these real-time reports but on 9690 kHz, there is very slight QRM likely from MWV, Madagascar, in Russian [1913]. The latter is all that can be heard on the U. Twente SDR receiver on the frequency

(Richard Langley, ibid.)

9690, Radio Exterior de España, Noblejas, 1857-1908, 29-10, eclipsed by World Christian Broadcast, Madagascar, with strong signal on the same frequency with program in Russian, REE only audible with tuning music, 1857-1859, before WCB, Madagascar signing on.

11940, weak, news, Spanish at 1901

12030, weak, news, Spanish, at 1901. Earlier at 1700 fair to good sig. 11685, nothing here at 1900 and nothing at 1700 (Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, WOR iog via DXLD)

Now REE 9690 kHz here in Germany S=7-8, in peaks to S=8.5. MDG MWV stopped at 20 UT using that 31 mb channel. 73 wb (Wolfgang Bueschel, 2010 UT, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Exterior España in English --- began this evening at 2300 GMT with "Panorama" and a lead story about the election and new president of Brazil on 9690 kHz with an excellent clear signal. How sweet it is --- like old times (a little).

(John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, Lowe HF-150, A/D DX Sloper, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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And also 12030 in // in Europe (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, 2315 UT, ibid.)

About S5 here in central Indiana. So great that they're back! (Ethan Best, KC9YDN, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

The live webcast is in parallel http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/rne/radio-exterior/ So one can pretend if they wish...!

a PS - 9690 was always their frequency in their 0000 UT broadcast 30 years ago, if I remember correctly. Not sure why I remember that...! Excellent hear in eastern PA. Armchair quality (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Yes, same here in central Ohio. REE generally doesn't have any difficulty in making a strong appearance here (-- Mike Bott, 0005 UT Oct 30, ibid.)

I remember emailing this station a year ago that English programs via shortwave will have an audience (Charles Harlich, SWprograms at HCDX via DXLD)

Checked 0125 to 0143 UT time slot on Oct 30. REE Noblejas still on 2 frequencies on air. Likely as requested in HFCC coordination request, weekdays Mon-Fri - rather UT Tue to Sat - to 0400 UT?

REE 9690 kHz S=8 in Germany, but powerhouse S=9+25dB rather eastwards in Kiev Ukraine remote SDR. As well as \\ on 11940 kHz S=7-8 in Germany, only poor S=3 in Kiev Ukraine. 73 wb df5sx wwdxc (Wolfgang Bueschel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very good signal for the "Panorama" English-language program here in NB starting at 2300 UT on 9690 kHz and then French at 2330 and Portuguese at 0000. Back to Spanish at 0030 UT. Time pips on the hour and half-hour. Will archive my recording of this first return to English, French, and Portuguese programming on REE later. How long has it been since English, French, and Portuguese were last carried on SW from REE? 9690 kHz was still going strong in Spanish at about 0145 when I stopped recording. P.S. Nigeria was putting in a fairly decent signal on 9689.9 kHz before being swamped by REE when it signed on [circa 1900].

(Richard Langley, 0304 UT Oct 30, WOR iog via DXLD)

El director de REE, Antonio Buitrago, nos explica la nueva programación

http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/marca-espana/marca-espana-estrenamos-temporada-radio-exterior-espana/4815868/

(about 12 min) El director de REE, Antonio Buitrago, nos explica la nueva programación de la emisora que hemos puestos en marcha este lunes 29 de noviembre [sic]. Con nuevos programas, recuperando otros emblemáticos y con más horas de emisión en onda corta (via Dr. Hansjoerg Biener, 29 October 2018, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I listened to it. All about programming in Spanish, nary a mention of stranger languages. How about a specific program schedule with times, for everything on SW?? (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

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Spain: REE resumes foreign languages on SW

Confirmation last night of the very welcome return of foreign languages on shortwave from Radio Exterior de Espana.

REE English was heard here last night (29 October) at 2300-2330 followed by French starting at 2330 UT on 9690 and 12030 - only 9690 audible here with 12030 very weak.

Towards the end of the programme, several songs about radio were played "to celebrate our return to the radio". The announcer said that English as well as Arabic, French, Portuguese, Russian and Sefardic have returned to the airwaves "thanks to the efforts of Radio Exterior's new management under our new director, old colleague Antonio Buitrago"

The English schedule was announced as 2300 UT Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, repeated at 0300 UT on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

This is confirmed by the online programme schedule which also give the times of some of the other languages

http://www.rtve.es/radio/radio-exterior/programacion/

(NB: this schedule is in Spanish time - subtract one hour for UT)

The repeat English broadcast at 0300 needs confirming as according to REE's earlier frequency announcement shortwave broadcasts stop at 0300, although HFCC shows 9690 continuing until 0400.

The English programme can be downloaded at http://www.rtve.es/alacarta/audios/emision-en-ingles/

This confusingly states, "English Language Broadcast Martes, jueves y sábado da las 23.00 horas UTC y las 03.00 horas UTC"

So there is some confusion about the schedule at REE but the good news is that foreign languages from Spain are back on short wave! 73s (Dave Kenny, Caversham, Berks, AOR7030+ 25m long wire, Oct 30, bdxcnews iog via DXLD)

Note that the full schedule does not give any program titles for English; claims Portuguese instead of Russian at 19h HOE, and Sefardi is weekly only on Sundays at 2230 UT.

The English archive briefly gives the topic of each one; note that all are a bit over 30 minutes long, a few much over, like 34, 37, 41. This may be inconvenient to fit into SW slots (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Let me add, the English language broadcast was thoroughly enjoyed here in Ohio. And with such a strong signal on 9690 which is something that REE seems to do regularly (Mike Bott, Westerville, OH (EN80nd), NRD-535D & Pixel RF Pro-1B, BDXC-news iog via DXLD)

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SRI LANKA

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15179.877V, Oct 29 at 1443, way off-frequency JBA; It`s AWR via Trincomalee, scheduled at 1430-1500, 125 kW at 45 degrees in KxF language which EiBi`s readme.txt shows means Manumanaw Karen / Kawyaw / Kayah: Myanmar with (10,000) speakers. How many have been converted to SDA already, and counting?

9739.918, Oct 29 at *1500, AWR theme after a few seconds overlaphetting RB Australia, q.v. It`s Nepali until 1530, 125 kW, 15 degrees from Trincomalee. Are any of their frequencies accurate? Seems like originally they were; what happened? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SWEDEN

** SWEDEN.

Dear DX-friends, Here are my loggings from yesterday and today, - the two only days when Radio Nord Revival is on the air. Heard as usual on my AOR AR7030Plus with 28 metres of longwire. 6035::

1400-1405, Fri 26.10, R Nord Revival, Waxholm Fortress, Stockholm (0.5 kW), Swedish ID: "Radio Nord Revival", ann transmissions either on 5995 or 6035 kHz, pop music, 45444.

Also heard 1815-1835 Fri 26.10, Swedish ann, wellknown Swedish popsongs, requested reception reports - best in USB, 35422.

Also heard 0955-1000 Sat 27.10, Swedish advs, English and Swedish popsongs, like "Back to Happiness" and "Sucu-Sucu", 35444.

Also heard 1340-1450 Sat 27.10, Swedish advs, report, Swedish popsongs - best in USB, 35444 AP-DNK (Anker Petersen, Denmark, wbradio vg via DXLD)

6035, Radio Nord Revival, 1445-1513, 26-10, on air, weak with fading, but for moments clear signal, pop songs in English, songs in Swedish, comments in Swedish, male and some comments by female (Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, Log in Friol, WOR iog via DXLD)

Radio Nord Revival from Waxholm is audible here with a fair signal on 6035 kHz (at 1550 UT on 26 October). Currently carrying old recordings of the station with 60s music and ads (in Swedish) 73s (Dave Caversham Berks Kenny, AOR 7030+ 25m long wire, bdxc-news iog via DXLD)

6035 kHz, Radio Nord Revival, 1657-1750, 26-10, songs, ID at 1658: "Radio Nord Revival", music, Swedish, male, comments. songs, comments, at 1700 interference from Voice of America on 6040 kHz. 1726 song in English, comments in Swedish, ID at 1739: "Radio Nord Revival", 1750 song in German by woman. SINPO 22322

(Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol, Tecsun S-8800, cable antenna, 8 meters, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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R Nord Revival 6035 also heard 26 Oct via Kiwi SDR in Iceland (near Reykjavik) 1755 with a variety of pop music and man/woman in Swedish. Started at S2v3 with periods of almost S4 after 1815 and deep fades with static. After 1830 improved to solid S4 but did not hear any English to past 1935 [sic; must mean 1835].

6035, R Nord Revival, 26 Oct from KiwiSDR in Westfjord Iceland noted again at 1859 tune with several mentions of Radio Nord by man in Swedish, pop music and man talking in Swedish until 1918:25 at which time the signal dropped to barely readable and at 1920 the carrier went off in mid-program. Before 1918, the signal was a good S4, so perhaps a xmtr problem?

(Bruce Churchill, CA, WOR iog via DXLD)

SYRIA

** <u>SYRIA</u>. So far, Radio Damascus is active on 567 kHz from Adra / Damascus and 783 kHz from Besira / Tartous. Today, I noticed that it's active again on 936 kHz as well, from Homs / Ter Maela transmission facility.

Recent news stated that 85% of Homs's northern suburbs "where the transmitter is located" had been energized. The Syrian regime regained control over that area recently

http://ouruba.alwehda.gov.sy/node/273300?fbclid=lwAR1Tgia8MMMz9-5JclFyncyw8QDZEZjt5APeiKzz9oi2jOOn7aNpea-MbeE Best Regards, (Rawad Hamwi, Saudi Arabia?, Oct 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

TAIWAN

** TAIWAN. TAIWAN/CHINA SOH Taiwan B18 Shortwave Frequency list of Oct 25, 2018 monitored by wb on Oct 23, 24, 25, 28, 29.

Moin, moin, beiliegend die Datei vom worldwide Sound of Hope Taiwan service check, den ich 2x im Jahr im April und Oktober vornehme.

An 5 Tagen habe ich - wenn es die Zeit erlaubte - in die vorzüglichen PERSEUS Worldwide Netz SDR Units hinein gehört. Wenn sie eine gescheite Antenneninstallation benutzen, mit einem niedrigen lokalen Störpegel ausgestattet, hören sie das Gras wachsen.

Das Beste, was Nico in Italien seit dem Sommer 2008 auf den Markt gebracht hat. Mir ist nichts Besseres unter die Finger gekommen, seit Drake's und Collins' Zeiten in den 70zigern.

Und beiliegend noch einige Frequenzwechseldateien für die B-18 Saison, ich werde erst in den nächsten Tagen die entsprechenden Tabellen als pure-Text für die nächsten TopNews im Laufe der Woche auf das 75column Format umsetzen.

Einiges hat Mike Bethge schon getan. Mike, ich versuche diese Woche eine neue aktuelle TopNews Datei zu erstellen. Eine DX Programmliste für B-18 muss ich auch für den Winter umstellen.

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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 Üblicherweise werden die userlist Anbieter wie Aoki Nagoya und Eibi List um die 2-3 Wochen brauchen, um eine halbwegs korrekte Tabelle abzuliefern.

Und ich möchte auch mal die Tabellen von US IBB VOA/RFA Monitoring in B-18 bezüglich der Taifun Zerstörungen im Pazifik auf Tinian und Saipan kontrollieren. vy73 wolfgang

SOH = Xi Wang Zhi Sheng mentioned 148 times

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6229.956 S=8 0947 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
6229.960 S=6 1207 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            2308 UT
6229.971 S=7 1405 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
6280.122 S=6 1406 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            2309 UT
6370.112 S=6 1407 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            2310 UT
6730.050 S=6 1408 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            unstable
6870.119 S=6 1409 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            2312 UT
6900.040 S=6 1410 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
6870 - 6961 kHz OTHR, S=9 at 1233 UT
6969.--- S=- 0840 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            NOT
7209.904 S=8 2318 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
7209.935 S=6 1215 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7 0941 UT
QRM co-ch 7210even kHz by VoVTN Daclac Boun Me, 1st px Vietn.
7279.919 S=7 0035 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7 0940 UT
7310.003 S=3 0036 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
7460.152 S=7 1440 UT 0000-2359 SOH Chi 1-7
7599.994 S=4 0848 UT 1600-1500 TWN SOH Chi 1-7
7600even S=9+10dB 1244 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland. \\ 7275
7600.039 S=4 0037 UT 1600-1500 TWN SOH Chi 1-7
7600.161 S=6 1441 UT 1600-1500 TWN SOH Chi 1-7
7650even S=5 1505 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland.
7650.--- S=- 0849 UT 1600-1500 SOH Xi Wang Zhi Sheng Chi 1-7 NOT
7730.057 S=7 0311 UT 1600-1500 SOH Chi 1-7
7730.066 S=9 0939 UT 1600-1500 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            0018 UT
7810.032 S=4 0310 UT 1600-1500 SOH Chi 1-7
7810.044 S=5 1250 UT 1600-1500 SOH Chi 1-7
9079.856 S=4 1256 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9079.886 S=4 0103 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9080.029 S=5 0628 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9080.039 S=5 0042 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9080.147 S=4 1422 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9099.993 S=9 0047 UT Echo of Hope, KOR bubble jamming underneath
9099.996 S=8 1445 UT Echo of Hope, KOR
9100.000 S=8 0022 UT Echo of Hope, KOR
9100.000 S=8 2102 UT Echo of Hope, KOR
9100.004 S=9+10dB 1510 UT Echo of Hope, KOR
9120.040 S=4 0027 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9120.044 S=4 1512 UT 2100-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9155.034 S=8 0395 UT 2212-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            0933 UT
9180.045 S=7 0304 UT 2213-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            0932 UT
9199.923 S=6 0303 UT 2151-1530 SOH Chi 1-7
9230.118 S=4 0259 UT 2212-1610 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            0930 UT
9230.136 S=8 0107 UT 2212-1610 SOH Chi 1-7
                                            1451 UT
9254.943 S=5 0257 UT 2212-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
9254.950 S=5 1454 UT 2212-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
9279.847 S=7 0255 UT 2212-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
9281.093 S=7 1456 UT 2212-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
9319.993 S=7 0642 UT 2357-1646 SOH rely RFA Chi 1-7
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 9320even S=5 0927 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland.
 9320.003 S=6 0254 UT 2212-1711 SOH Chi 1-7
9350.000 S=9+10dB 0112 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland 17 kHz wide
          Against RFA Uighur from Orzu TJK.
9360.043 S=3 0112 UT 2357-1646 SOH rely RFA Chi 1-7.
 9540even S=9+10dB 0253 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland 10 kHz wide
 9540.090 S=8 0039 UT 2215-1800 SOH Chi 1-7 0924 UT
9540.095 S=7 0646 UT 2215-1800 SOH Chi 1-7
9635.022 S=5 0251 UT 2140-1710 SOH Chi 1-7 0722 UT
9635.041 S=5 0121 UT 2140-1710 SOH Chi 1-7
QRM 9635.816 kHz VoVietnam 1st px from Sontay on very odd fg. 0822 UT
 and 0040 UT on 9636.008 kHz.
9729.889 S=5 0248 UT 2105-1705 SOH Chi 1-7
 9729.891 S=7 0724 UT 2105-1705 SOH Chi 1-7
Underneath Pyin Oo Lwin Myanmar 9729.997 kHz. 0250, 0723, 0921 UT
9850.032 S=8 0724 UT 2130-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9850.035 S=8 0246 UT 2130-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
9920.047 S=5 0918 UT 2150-1700 SOH Chi 1-7 0726 UT
9970.198 S=8 0916 UT 2147-1702 SOH Chi 1-7 0728 UT
9970.203 S=8 0245 UT 2147-1702 SOH Chi 1-7
10819.896 S=7 0240 UT 2140-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
10869.910 S=7 0239 UT 2103-1705 SOH Chi 1-7
10920.096 S=5 0238 UT 2125-1745 SOH Chi 1-7
10959.728 S=3 0908 UT 2130-1705 SOH Chi 1-7
10959.738 S=6 0237 UT 2130-1705 SOH Chi 1-7
11070even S=9 0139 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland. 10kHz wide
11070.994 S=6 0235 UT 2210-1710 SOH Chi 1-7
11100even S=9+20dB 1056 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland. 10kHz wide
11100.089 S=7 0234 UT 2200-1610 SOH Chi 1-7
11120.109 S=7 0233 UT 2150-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11150.002 S=6 0232 UT 2150-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11285.109 S=7 0009 UT 2110-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11300.080 S=7 0230 UT 2110-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11369.987 S=3 1203 UT 2110-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
                                             NOT
11409.963 S=7 0228 UT 2120-1715 SOH Chi 1-7
11409.996 S=9+20dB 0149 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland.
11439.930 S=8 0227 UT 2041-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11459.849 S=6 0226 UT 2100-1710 SOH Chi 1-7
11460even S=9+5dB 0152 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland.
11499.929 S=8 0225 UT 2030-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11528even S=8 0222 UT end of 10 mins espionage number stn in English
11529.794 S=3 1223 UT 2000-1600 SOH Chi 1-7
QRM 11530.0 Kurdish Denge Welat, Grigoriopol MDA, equal level in Tokyo
11580.130 S=9 0221 UT 2300-1610 SOH rely RFA Chi 1-7. distorted audio
11599.962 S=8 0910 UT 0000-1600 SOH rely RFA Chi 1-7
11600even S=7 0111 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland.
11600.028 S=8 0209 UT 0000-1600 SOH rely RFA Chi 1-7
11715.136 S=8 0208 UT 2105-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
11765.140 S=7 0207 UT 2131-1730 SOH Chi 1-7
11775.027 S=7 0205 UT 2131-1730 SOH Chi 1-7
11970even S=9+10dB 0206 UT CNR1 jammer from China mainland.
11970.003 S=8 0202 UT 2130-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
12149.940 S=4 0212 UT 2130-1700 SOH Chi 1-7
12190.086 S=8 0200 UT 2350-1600 SOH rely RFA Chi 1-7
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17079.552 S=4 0734 UT 2130-1530 SOH Chi 1-7 weak

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17169.371 S=4 0649 UT SOH Chi 1-7
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17169.923 S=- 10-- UT SOH Chi 1-7 NOT

17170.356 S=4 0647 UT SOH Chi 1-7

17194.998 S=- 01-- UT SOH Chi 1-7 NOT

17199.750 S=7 0615 UT SOH Chi 1-7

17200even S=9+25dB 0545 UT CNR1 program jammer from China mainland.

0958 UT 18 kHz wideband signal. NOT, see 17440v kHz. 0030 UT

17200.167 S=9+10dB 0226 UT 2200-1350 SOH Chi 1-7

distorted audio quality. Scratchy signal. 0203 UT. NOT

17400.236 S=5 0610 UT 2155-1420 UT SOH Chi 1-7

17409.824 S=- 02-- UT 2155-1420 UT SOH Chi 1-7 NOT

17420.209 S=- 01-- UT 2155-1420 UT SOH Chi 1-7 NOT

17440.260 S=9 0639 UT CNR1 program jammer from China mainland,

18 kHz wide.11.2 kHz wideband signal.

17440.263 S=7 0640 UT 2300-1300 SOH Chi 1-7

17875.000 S=8-9 SOH endless talk by male, 0040-0100 UT, Oct 23.

18180.evenS=9+10dB 0944 UT CNR1 program jammer from China mainland.

19 kHz wideband signal. Not heard on Oct 28.

18180.315 S=2 0538 UT 2300-1130 UT SOH Chi 1-7

Also spur on 18182.116 kHz.

18869.703 S=5 0536 UT 2200-1000 SOH Chi 1-7

21799.712 S=5 0727 UT 2300-1000 SOH Chi 1-7

the highest fq ever noted on SOH Taiwan outlets. S=4 signal at 0520 UT, heard in April 2018. BUT heard only on long range in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia now.

SOH signals differ often from day to day slightly up to 100 Hertz in frequency; so I guess there is a network pool of approx. 100 or more different small power software defined transmitter available, and used randomly be connected by an automatic computer to access switch on air from various TX locations?

Used remote SDR units on extended 24hrs check, installations at Japan, India, UAE, and Brisbane Queensland Australia [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz]

(Wolfgang Bueschel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 29, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN.

Dear friends, starting from October 29, in accordance with the winter schedule broadcast, the Russian MRT service will be broadcast on the following frequencies: Shortwave (SW):

- 9590 kHz from 1400 to 1500 UT (broadcasting region Siberia)
- 11955 kHz from 1700 to 1800 UT (broadcasting region Europe and Central Russia)

http://russian.rti.org.tw/whatsNew/?recordId=28996

(Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx" & Vasily Gulyaev, Astrakhan, Russia / "open_dx" via Rus-DX 28 Oct via DXLD)

Dear friends! Good news: we are moving to a new site! The bad news is that many features of the old site will not be available during the move. We will try to complete this "transitional period" as soon as possible, so that the new site will play with all the colors for us and for your joy. In the meantime, we ask you to show understanding and patience and forgive us for the temporary inconvenience in listening to our programs. Thank you and see you at the new site! Always yours, Russian MRT service

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Announcement on Facebook and on MRT website:
http://russian.rti.org.tw/news/?recordId=91415&fbclid=IwAR3M4mTAQi2sndI4Qyn0BNsRApDTatPkk11_1rDDuTgFeLcV19o9CB7wwU
(via Vasily Gulyaev, Astrakhan, Russia / "open dx", ibid.)

THAILAND

** THAILAND.

9919.980, Radio Thailand, 2045-2115 UT in Thai language, noted S=9 strength transmission via UdornThani northeastern Thailand US IBB relay site. 313 degrees towards southern Europe. Listened to - on remote SDR unit on Edmonton Alberta at 2106 UT on Oct 23. Two female Thai talk. [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang Bueschel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 23, WOR iog via DXLD) That was late A-18 frequency; B-18 to be on 7475 (gh)

5875, R. Thailand, brief checks at 1134 & 1147, Oct 23. Yes, still in English; good reception; seems a steady schedule now.

5875, R. Thailand, brief checks at 1133 & 1147, Oct 24. News in English; good reception.

5875, R. Thailand. Recently had monitored 1130-1200, and heard English instead of the former schedule of Japanese and German; noted English for about two weeks, but on Oct 26, at 1147, noted back to their former schedule of German. So is English no longer going to be heard 1130-1200?

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DXLD)

15590, Radio Thailand, October 26, 2018, 0007-0017 in English. SIO 555. Asian news, advertisements for airline. Excellent signal. Listed target is NA. St Regis Bangkok advertising wedding packages. Frequency announcements, news hour, excellent, strong, and clear signal (Vince Henley, Anacortes WA, WiNRADiO G39DDCe SDR, ICOM IC-R8600, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R8B, TECSUN PL-380, TECSUN PL-660, TECSUN PL-880. Antennas: whips on PL-380, PL-660, PL-880 and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east west at 30 feet, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD) Great, but nothing left by OK (gh)

Greetings Glenn, Further to your comment that you couldn't find the shortwave broadcast schedule for HSK9 (Radio Thailand) World Service on their website. Although it may well be irrelevant in a couple of days time from my writing this, I did manage to find one and it gives the schedule as being valid until 31st October. The frequency of 9390 was, however, changed to 9920 kHz for the A18 season so interesting to see that it changes again for B18 to 7475 [for European evenings].

The A18 schedule is still there but presumably won't be for much longer: use Google Translate (or something similar) and put their website - http://www.hsk9.org/ - in as the address to translate. Then scroll down on the opening page and click "World Service". 73s, (Dave Harries (Bristol, England), circa Oct 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It is still the A-18 schedule as of early UT Nov 1 (gh, DXLD)

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TIBET

** <u>TIBET</u>. The highlight for me today must be my reception of PBS Xizang from Tibet. This is a difficult, if not darn near impossible, catch for me under the best of conditions so I was mighty pleased with myself.

7385, PBS Xizang (Lhasa) at 0944 in Tibetan with a man with talk then a woman with talk at 0947 — Weak but audible Oct 24

A PSW (Personal Support Worker) at the nursing home I volunteer at is Tibetan and has given me an understanding of the sound of her language. As well as helping me detect Tibetan here it also helps me verify the Mandarin of the CNR jammers when they occupy RFA frequencies from Tajikistan and elsewhere when they are broadcasting in Tibetan

(Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD)

TURKEY

** TURKEY.

11615.67, Oct 24 at 2008, weak S2-S3 YL talk in French. As soon as I find this way-off-frequency one, I figure it must be Turkey, as Emirler have been defecting thus on a number of frequencies: Yes, per Aoki, the only thing on ``11615`` is VOT French at 1930-2025.

9830, Oct 27 at 2257, VOT is still on with IS after English; will it keep going for a German extra? No, not tonight, off at 2257.4*. From tomorrow moves back to 5960 for English at 2300, and better be a-Germanous, off by 2400 for The Mighty KBC, staying there from 0000 UT only Sundays.

12035, Oct 28 at 1353, Turkish song with good signal, as VOT English to W Europe and N America beyond, has moved one hour later at 1330 ex-1230, and two bands lower, ex-15450, and should propagate better; altho Turkish about to close is also audible on 15350 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5960, Voice of Turkey at 2255 with IS and ID loop to time pips at 2300 and a man with ID, sked, web platforms, and contact info then program highlights and news at 2301 — Very Good Oct 28 — New frequency and time ex-9830 at 2200.

5960, Voice of Turkey at 2347 in German with IS and ID loop to 2359 and off — Good Oct 27 — What's up with this? Easy to answer. The Voice of Turkey jumped the gun on the B18 international broadcasting season. They were scheduled in German from 2300 to 0000 on 9830. Their English service changes frequency and time to 5960 at 2300 but they were a day early

(Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD)

They were not ``scheduled`` in German on SW to N America, but occasionally broadcast it in the hour after failing to turn off when English finished (gh, DXLD)

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12035.707, Oct 29 at 1408, VOT English to WEu and NAm beyond, has jumped off-frequency, while 24 hours earlier it was close to on 12035.0; S9+10 to S8. I start to measure it during music but miss the Question of the almost-over Month as a result; 1414 more filler with the multi-lingual ID reel; more music and 1424 sign-off with outdated claim to be on 15450 at 1230! IS plays until 1427:43 as some Turkiclanguage IDs start to be interspersed, but hopefully off in time to complete QSY before 1430

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UAE

** U A E.

11720.115, Oct 28 at 1356, JBA fluttery off-frequency signal, perfectly fitting for DHA site, B-18 scheduled to carry DW in Dari and Pashto at 1330-1430 on ``11720`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

U K

** <u>U K</u>. Culture Secretary puts pressure on BBC over free TV licences for over-75s --- Jeremy Wright said the Government expected the subsidised licences to continue, despite the BBC announcing a review. Press Association Last updated: 24 October 2018 - 7.20pm

The Culture Secretary has set up a potential row with the BBC after saying ministers expect free TV licences for over-75s to continue, weeks after the corporation announced a review of the practice.

BBC director general Lord Hall said in September it was looking at the future of the -L-725 million subsidy scheme after taking on responsibility from the Government as part of its charter renewal negotiations.

But Mr Wright told MPs on Wednesday that he expected the BBC to shoulder the payments for over-75s, which are due to continue until the end of the current Parliament, scheduled to be in 2022...

http://home.bt.com/news/showbiz-news/culture-secretary-puts-pressure-on-bbc-over-free-tv-licences-for-over-75s-11364305331765

(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** U K [non]. BBCWS on shortwave in Eastern North America --- B18

Observed reception of the BBCWS to West Africa progressing from fair to good on 15400 kHz from Ascension Island relay beginning at 1700 GMT until 1900 close. Then switched to 7445 kHz from Talata Volonondry, Madagascar at 1900 which is providing near "armchair" good to excellent reception with minor fading and QRN. The latter is listed from 1600 targeting East Africa, which is very likely too early at this point in the season for reliable reception in ENA. 7445 is to close down at 2000. 11810 and 12095 kHz are listed for 1900-2100 via Ascension Island, but I'm not hearing them at the moment here (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, Lowe HF-150, A/D DX Sloper, 1945 UT Oct 29, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Here in NB, 12095 is providing a fair signal as is 7445 kHz. 12095 is better. Nothing heard on 11810 (-- Richard Langley, 1957 UT, ibid.)

** U K [non].

9615, Oct 25 at 1549, S9-S7 YL keeps saying ``inmida``, therefore is Korean`s keyword. Soon switch to British for English les about how to use ``ever`` and ``never``. Yes, it`s BBCWS`s newish North Korean service, per HFCC A-18, 250 kW, 21 degrees via IBB Tinang, PHILIPPINES, and thus also USward, at 1530-1830 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

USA

194 kHz, Oct 27 at 0623 UT, beacon ID as EN with very long pause between repeats. DXinfocenter.com has no EN listed on any LF/MF, and nothing below 195 kHz for NDBs. Carrier frequency could be plus/minus 1 or 2 kHz, so I check vicinities.

Maybe subharmonic of something around 388? Nothing. Of course, here in ENID, one might guess an EN could be local! But our only beacon is EI kHz. The other NDB https://www.classaxe.com/dx/ndb/rna/signal_list leads to intriguing an possibility!

On 389 is EN at `Codee`, Kenosha WI, last heard 2018-10-19! And with an 8.047 second cycle duration which sounds about right tho I did not measure it! And nothing current around 194 kHz. Power not given on fundamental, but 25 watts is typical. How about that, a JBA 194.5 kHz subharmonic of a VLP beacon. Others closer to Kenosha might confirm this. Of course, next time, if any, I`ll time it and check both frequencies.

193.5 kHz, Oct 28 at 0636 UT, I'm checking ~24 hours later for the beacon ID EN, and do just barely hear it again when tuned to 193 kHz (but a carrier zero-beats on 193.5). Cannot hear anything to match on x2 = 387 kHz altho there are several carriers in the area. (And see CANADA!) The cycle is very long, 26 seconds, not 8+ as shown in classaxe for the Kenosha WI fundamental of which this EN appears to be a subharmonic. The space between the E and the N is also prolonged, altho the axual dits and dahs are not very elongated. It could be that the transmitter is totally out of whack, radiating on half the intended frequency, which is generated but supposed to be suppressed until multiplied

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I asked beacon DXer Harold Frodge in Midland MI if he could hear it and came this reply about other logs of its fundamental (gh):

389, EN, 1.0, Kenosha WI, Kenosha Regional A/P; 05 Dec, 06 Apr (LK), 17 Sep (DT), 23 Sep (GV) [May sound like R] (MARE Tipsheet summary via Harold Frodge, DXLD)

** U S A.

347 kHz, Oct 29 at 0501, beacon AFK, which is 25 watts at Nebraska City NE; I was tuned to 348.

dxld1844 62 / 97 389 kHz, Oct 29 at 0602, beacon CSB, which is 25 watts named `Harry Strunk` at Cambridge, Nebraska --- between McCook and Holdredge on US 6 in SW NE, not far from KS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

7615/USB, 1330-1357 Some sort of net with various stations checking in: Avenging Spirit, Tribe Lake 49, Landing Gear, etc. Sounded like tug boats moving into position somewhere. Fair to good on 10/24 (Don Hosmer, West Branch MI, ICOM IC-7200, CommRadio Cr-1a &/or XHData D-808 radios with G5RV dipoles & W6LVP loop, MARE Tipsheet Oct 26 via DXLD) Rather, airplanes: Civil Air Patrol as I have logged several times. They use colorful tactical calls, somewhat aero-related. CAP mainly chase private plane crashes (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A.

Marie Anne "Manya" (Delikat) Ciliberti, age 81, passed away Monday, October 22, 2018.

Marie was a devoted mother, grandmother, aunt, and loyal friend to many. She was a graduate of Ursuline Academy in Wilmington, Delaware, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Delaware.

She also earned a Masters of Arts degree in Russian from Georgetown University. Marie was one of the few who could boast that they truly loved their job, working as a broadcaster for the Voice of America (VOA) for over thirty years broadcasting in Russian to millions of people behind the Iron Curtain. She was also a tireless advocate for employees in the American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) 1812 union within the VOA. Marie volunteered for the Victims of Communism organization and was a devout member of Our Lady Queen of Poland Church in Silver Spring, Maryland. . . Marie Anne Ciliberti - Chandler Funeral Homes Delaware

https://www.chandlerfuneralhome.com/obituaries/marie-anne-ciliberti/ (via Mike Cooper, DXLD) obit

** U S A [non].

15300, Sunday Oct 28 at 1404, something new for B-18, VG S9 signal of rock/Afro pop music, so strong it must be Greenville; rare announcements in French as ``VOA Afrique``, past 1456 but weaker. Instead, HFCC shows at 14-15 Sat & Sun only, this is IBB via SMG VATICAN, 250 kW, 169 degrees in Kinyarwanda! If it`s not GB substituting, yet another example of SMG`s great coverage in the wrong direxions; violating Separation of Church & State. See also VATICAN [non]. BTW, GB is again scheduled at 21-22 on 15580, which should reaudiblize Afropop Worldwide for us on Fridays (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Huge Scandal re Marti/OCB

[Jewish Telegraphic Agency]

https://www.jta.org/2018/10/28/news-opinion/u-s-funded-spanish-language-network-produced-segment-multimillionaire-jew-george-soros

[UPDATED MOTHER JONES] http://bit.ly/2RkFQz0

See attachment for full Jeff Flake letter to Lansing (Dan Robinson, DX LISTENING DIGEST) visible on the WOR iog

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** <u>U S A</u>. The Washington Post: U.S. agency vows to investigate broadcast report that called George Soros a 'multimillionaire Jew' --- The segment, aired by Radio and Television Martí in May, described Soros as a "non-practicing Jew of flexible morals." It also frequently referred to the conservative group Judicial Watch, which has launched an "Expose Soros" campaign. . .

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/us-agency-vows-to-investigate-radio-report-that-called-george-soros-a-multimillionaire-jew/2018/10/29/d1173e2e-dbbc-11e8-b732-3c72cbf131f2_story.html Sent from my iPhone (via David Cole, OK, DXLD)

US government broadcaster to punish workers for Soros report By MATTHEW LEE and LUIS ALONSO LUGO October 30, 2018

https://www.apnews.com/411239eaea2f41668da5a474bcb4a19c

WASHINGTON (AP) -- The U.S. government's international broadcasting agency says it will discipline employees responsible for a television report on philanthropist George Soros that violated its professional ethics and standards.

The U.S. Agency for Global Media says that those who produced the report would be placed on administrative leave pending an investigation into "apparent misconduct" and may face disciplinary measures, including firing depending on the results of the probe.

The report on Soros aired in May on Spanish-language Radio Television Marti network, which broadcasts to Cuba.

It described him as a "Jewish multi-millionaire" influencing nations through nongovernment groups. It referenced the conservative organization Judicial Watch as believing he was undermining democracies.

Recently, Soros has been accused without evidence by right-wing commentators and politicians of funding migrants heading to the U.S. from Central America.

This story has been corrected to say the TV Marti report referenced Judicial Watch, not quoted the organization (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

Separate RM programming via WRMI: See below

** U S A [and non].

WORLD OF RADIO 1953 monitoring: I grabbed a SW portable as I went on my morning walk and enjoyed WOR as I strolled:

WRMI - 5950 (1030), clear copy of World of Radio (some bleed over from Dr Gene Scott 15 kc down), resumed listening on the big rig when I returned to the shack, signal 10 over S9, WOR followed by "Ode to Billy Jo" and "Spirit in the Sky", armchair dopy

(Chris KC5IIE Krug, Tulsa OK, Rec: Kaito KA-1102/ Icom 7410, Ant: Whip/40m loop, Wed Oct 24, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WOR 1953 confirmed Wednesday October 24 at 1030 on WRMI 5950, S9-S6 (the same canned WRMI ID ran twice at 1029). Also confirmed Wed Oct 24 at 2100 on WRMI 9955 and on WBCQ 7490+. WRMI is slightly stronger S9+10 vs WBCQ S9, but 9955 also with lite pulse jamming: tnx a lot, Arnie!

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Now follows a long dry spell with no SW airings scheduled for Thursday or Friday (but plenty on webcasts as per our schedule below). Next:

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0629 UT Saturday
                          6190-CUSB Germany to WSW
                  HLR
1231 UT Saturday
                  Unique
                          9265V via WINB to WSW
1431 UT Saturday
                          9485-CUSB Germany to WSW
                  HLR
1600 UT Saturday
                  WRN
                          5950 via WRMI to WNW [unconfirmed]
                          1860-AM non-direxional
1930vUT Saturday
                  WAORCR
0300vUT Sunday
                          1860-AM non-direxional [nominal 0315-]
                  WA0RCR
1130 UT Sunday
                  HLR
                          7265-CUSB Germany to WSW [ex-1030]
2130 UT Sunday
                          7780 to NE, 9955 to SSE
                  WRMI
0130 UT Monday
                  WRN
                          5950 via WRMI to WNW [or 0230?]
                  Area 51 5130v via WBCQ to WSW
0300vUT Monday
0330 UT Monday
                  WRMI
                          9955 to SSE
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Full schedule including AM, FM, webcasts, satellite: [to be updated ASAP for post-DST season] http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6190, Hamburger LokalRadio, Goehren, *0600-0700, 27-10, ID "This is Hamburger LokalRadio", English, program "Media Network Plus", at 0630 Glenn Hauser's program "World of Radio nº 1953". 15321 (Manuel Méndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol, Tecsun S-8800, cable antenna, 8 meters, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1953 monitoring: confirmed Saturday October 27 at 1256 the 1231 on Unique Radio, NSW via WINB, PA, S9+10 with only lite wobble. Tim interrupts just before the propagation outlook for a legal WINB ID --- must have known it would play a bit late, and wanted to ID right at ToH; after WOR, into his own music show. Changes are coming, and not merely a 1-hour non-DST shift: Tim says:

``Unique Radio Upcoming changes to schedule from November 10th 2018 via WINB 9265 kHz Red Lion Pennsylvania USA

1000-1100 UT - Sounds of your life hosted by Aussie Tim (Oldies, obscure, Australian, Artist features 3 in a row) 1100-1130 UT - Hobart Radio International hosted by Rob Wise (Music and radio features from Tasmania Australia) 1130-1200 UT - International Radio Report - Co-Hosted by Sheldon Harvey & David Asselin & with special features from Gilles Letourneau

1200-1230 UT - World of Radio hosted by Glenn Hauser (International shortwave radio and radio information with loggings) Best Regards, Aussie Tim, Unique Radio, Gunnedah NSW, Australia` [WORLD OF RADIO 1954]

That should be a good time DU and in the EST zone, but here in CST I shall probably not be awake at 6-6:30 am (if I can help it). At least I won't have to set a DX-398 alarm any more for 7:55 am. I would like also to hear the IRR, but it is and will remain too early for me on this broadcast.

Not confirmed in Enid or via UTwente SDR, the WOR at 1431 Sat Oct 27 on Hamburger Lokalradio 9485-CUSB, various chex between 1419 and 1500. But Alan Gale, NW England reports:

dxld1844 65 / 97 `Hi Glenn, Strange conditions on 9485 kHz today. The signal was fair to good from 1100 to around 1410 UT, but then it faded out completely, and didn't return again until 1440. After that it came up in strength and was better than it had been all day, but then faded down again around 1450, and was just about audible until it vanished completely at 1458 UT. KBC from Bulgaria is very strong on 9400 at the moment, so it looks like it was probably just the F2 layer moving up a bit and lengthening the skip. 73 for now, Alan``

At 1545 UT Oct 27, I asked the WOR iog: `Is WOR on 5950 at 1600? Would someone who can hear WRMI 5950 in the daytime, such as inside Florida, please check whether it is really relaying WRN English to North America, especially World of Radio at 1600-1630 UT Saturday? Thanks, Glenn` And tnx to Peter W Hansen who replied: `Hi Glenn, World of Radio is on 5950, heard at 1610 here at West Palm Beach` That will be 1700 in a week or two.

Also confirmed UT Sunday October 28 at 0322 on WAORCR, 1860-AM, MO, about C292 on new 7440, some 5 minutes into show so started circa 0317. Unusually with ACI from an LSB ham on 1863 kHz, re-uttering only ``WOAIH``. I`m going to assume that`s his call rather than a contact and blame Paul E. Bittner in Fall Creek WI; probably a contest going on, tho there is plenty of space further from 1860-AM. Next:

1130 UT Sunday HLR 7265-CUSB Germany to WSW [ex-1030] 2130 UT Sunday WRMI 7780 to NE, 9955 to SSE 0130 UT Monday WRN 5950 via WRMI to WNW [or 0230?] 0300vUT Monday Area 51 5130v via WBCQ to WSW 0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955 to SSE

WORLD OF RADIO 1953 monitoring: confirmed Sunday October 28 at 2130 on WRMI 9955, and about 1 second behind on WRMI 7780 --- in separate playouts rather than a joining of Systems. 9955 has pulse jamming underneath --- tnx a lot Arnie, and 7780 with less noise. NOT confirmed UT Monday October 29 at 0130 on WRMI 5950, unlike a week ago during WRN English relay; rather more Radio Martí in Spanish; but anyway WRN has already made un-DST change a week too early, confirmed on their webcast, WOR at 0230 when 5950 is still SS. Confirmed on Area 51 webcast from 0300 UT Monday Oct 29; and at 0313 on VP WBCQ 5129.84. Not confirmed at 0330 UT Monday Oct 29 on WRMI because 9955 has faded to a JBA carrier; but confirmed on webcast.

WORLD OF RADIO 1954 contents: Antarctica, Bhutan, Brasil, Canada, China, Cuba, Greenland, Korea South, Madagascar, Nepal, New Zealand, Nigeria and non, North America, Northern Mariana Islands, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, UK and non, USA, Vatican, Yemen non? and the propagation outlook.

WOR 1954 ready for first airings UT Tue October 30: confirmed at 0030 on WRMI 7730, good but fading down tho still sufficient by 0100. Immediate repeat at 0100 on WRMI 9955: no signal on outfaded 9955, but confirmed on webcast. By 0115 all three 7 MHz frequencies are also weakening. From next week, WOR should be even later into the dark, at 0200 UT Tuesday on 9955, while 7730 stays at 0030. Next:

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2030 UT Tuesday	WRMI	7780 to NE					
1030 UT Wednesday	WRMI	5950 to WNW					
2100 UT Wednesday	WRMI	9955 to SSE					
2100 UT Wednesday	WBCQ	7490v to WSW					
0729 UT Saturday	HLR	6190-CUSB Germany to WSW					
1231 UT Saturday	Unique	9265V via WINB to WSW					
1531 UT Saturday	HLR	9485-CUSB Germany to WSW					
1700 UT Saturday	WRN	5950 via WRMI to WNW					
1930vUT Saturday	WAORCR	1860-AM non-direxional					
0300vUT Sunday	WAORCR	1860-AM non-direxional [nominal 0315-]					
1130 UT Sunday	HLR	7265-CUSB Germany to WSW					
2130 UT Sunday	WRMI	7780 to NE					
2230 UT Sunday	WRMI	9955 to SSE					
0230 UT Monday	WRN	5950 via WRMI to WNW [? not last week]					
0400vUT Monday	Area 51	5130v via WBCQ to WSW					
0430 UT Monday	WRMI	9955 to SSE					
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)							

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** <u>U S A</u>.

5850, WRMI already broadcasting as the recording started, with their announcements and IS and into repeat of BSR Radiogram #21 about the life and canonization of St Oscar Romero with the same audio and digital content including many photos. Then at 0800 into SW Radiogram #70 with the usual digital text and photos including stories about:

SAQ Alexanderson Alternator to transmit to celebrate UN Day on Oct 24, MFSK128 encoded story about bribery and ^SAQ antennas^ ^cell phones^ ^Liquid H2 filling station^ cell phones in North Korea, and an MFSK64 encoded story about plans for liquid hydrogen filling stations. Images of the week including images of Cherry trees in Japan blooming in October rather than spring, because of the recent typhoon and a cute squirrel from Almaty, Kazakhstan: [visible in the WOR iog]

At 0830 into ANOTHER replay of the Business Growth Radio from 24/Sept (and others) mentioning the trip to Fed Ex and how to get your business from the 80% to the 15%. Again, off abruptly mid sentence at the ToH. 454+4+4+, 0655-0900* 8/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire +FLDigi for digital bits

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5950, UT Wednesday Oct 24 at 0023, WRMI is in Spanish instead of unpublicized new WRN English relay --- outro of a ``canción cubana del siglo XIX`` somehow related to béisbol, ``pausa`` at 0030 for a clear ``Radio Martí`` ID mentioning 1180 AM, as such a relay temporarily sked on WRMI Tue & Wed, higher priority than WRN.

But 5950 is NOT // the real RM frequencies 6030, 7335 and 7365, which are amid play-by-play of a real silly baseball game (guess which?). 0146 recheck, 5950 still in Cuban Spanish. For some reason, RM is running separate programming via WRMI during the National Sequence. We hope WRN English will soon resume on 5950.

5950, Oct 24 at 0617, so it has, S9+10 but with deep fades, Africanorientated feature from Uganda about Mercury poisoning, 0620 on to Ghana with something about the Göthe Institute, so this is surely Deutsche Welle as sked this hour on WRN and which I first discovered on 5950, Oct 21.

5950, UT Thu Oct 25 at 0026, I happen to tune in to this WRMI exactly 24 hours after last time when I was getting the Radio Martí ``relay` guess, what, I am hearing exactly the same programming music about ``béisbol en Cuba al final del siglo XIX``. And replayed, music about once again it's not // the live RM on 6030, 7335, 7365. WRMI is merely replaying pre-provided RM program files; why?

This preëmpts the WRN English to North America relay both UT Wed & Thu, but UT Fri Oct 26 at 0015 check, the scheduled R. Prague relay interview about Czech affairs; S9 to undermodulated. Presumably the already relays of Prague and Bratislava continue elsewhen as not part of the new overall WRN stream on 5950. However, original info from Jeff was that RM via WRMI was temporary, maybe ending after the National Sequence which is not included, anyway.

dxld1844 68 / 97 Besides NIGERIA [non], q.v., here's what else I'm hearing on WRMI frequencies, Fri Oct 26 in the 2252-2303 period:

9955, great Cuban music until 2259 Oct 26, no program outro but presumably `Noches con Mirka` as scheduled this hour; heavy jamming, but WRMI atop except during some fades. After Rudy ID, at 2300 a `Viva Miami` in Spanish with Jeff and Thaïs discussing their attendance at HFCC and EDXC, which were over two months ago now. And the jamming S/N ratio is worsening for WRMI.

9395 // much weaker 7780, Oct 26 at 2252, RAE in Italian talking about Buenos Aires, mixed with music. Sked M-F 22-23 on both.

5950, Oct 26 at 2254, discussing an ice hockey player, obit? I was sure I heard a Radio Slovakia International ID in passing, but then ``Polish music``. Confusing: Poland is in fact sked this hour on WRN. After 2300 NHK World Radio Japan.

Sked grid has been amended to show XMTR 14 on 5950 at 0000-0300 UT Mon, Wed and Thu, 181 degrees, with System E in yellow.

XMTR 5 on 5950 is also shown at 1500-0300, and 0500-0800 [daily] at 285 degrees, with System E in bright green. It can't be both.

No details of what either System E entails in program content (but #14 would be the Radio Martí). Still nothing about all the WRN English programming we have been hearing on #5 5950.

5850, Oct 26 at 2303, R. Tirana opening ``internet only`` English, VG signal on Friday-only broadcast; feature to be `Profile`.

5950, Saturday October 27 at 2231, WRMI with mid-hour ID as `Radio Poland --- you are tuned to Warsaw` and then discussion about Czecho/Slovakia, which leads to confusion, but Poland is scheduled this hour on WRN English to North America

5950, UT Sunday October 28 at 0128, now WRMI is running Radio Martí again instead of WRN English, and it`s heavily jammed! with Cuban comedy show, outro as `La Moderna Corte` in the style of `La Tremenda Corte`, just in time for ID at 0130 sharp, mentioning 1180 AM, generic onda corta, y .com. No, it`s not // the original RM from Greenville on 6030, 7335 & 7365; and then 5950 into music.

At 0140 I happen to be tuning past 7365 as that RM plugs 5950 for `transmisión diferida``, i.e. deliberately separate programming; also plugs next World Series game Sunday at 8 pm [EDT = 0000 UT Monday] (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9955, Sunday Oct 28 at 1412, WRMI is still on with Blalock the Blaster. Extension past 1400 had been on Saturdays only, but skedgrid now shows Sat & Sun 14-16 from XMTR 5 on 9955, with System D in yellow, unshown content

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5950, UT Tue Oct 30 at 0030, WRMI is back to English, presumably WRN with Israel Radio, ex-2330 as un-DST shifts have already been made, obviously for the convenience of Londoners, not Americans. It's totally unclear just when 5950 is going to be with WRN and when with alternative programming on ``W-Radio-Martí-I`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** <u>U S A</u>.

7490.160v, UT Thu Oct 25 at 0021, surprised to hear a bit of Russian talk here on WBCQ, soon switch to Spanish --- it must be the DX program `Antena DX` with a clip, which the online sked still continues to claim is at 0030 instead of 0000; among many other errors/outdates (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

AWWW monitoring needed --- John Carver, who has been monitoring Allan Weiner Worldwide for us, is having lots of computer problems; and I don't usually have time to listen to the whole hour+. If anyone else is listening to it anyway, we should appreciate a few notes of any significant info conveyed, such as news about progress on the Superstation; new programming, changes; rather than politico-religious discussions. It's 0000-0100+ UT Saturdays on WBCQ 7490+, 9330+, 5130-and webcast. Tnx,

(Glenn Hauser, 1955 UT Oct 26, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No replies. I did not hear it this week. Was AW back after two weeks away? Seems that the show stopped being archived after July 20, 2018: http://radionewyorkinternational.com/archives/index.php?path=aww/ Of course this episode might show up as filler in an Available Time Slot (Glenn, 0055 UT Oct 28, ibid.) Later:

Last week's AWWW [0000 UT Oct 27] --- Show started a few seconds late after some dead air on 7490. Allan and Angela back in the studio in FLA for tonight's show. Opening discussion of about the back stabbing and discord in Washington and the rest of the country. An annoying hiss every thirty seconds or so detracts from the program. Don't know if it's internet related or not. Allan stated that they had snow in Monticello before leaving. He did state that he would be back in Maine at the end of the month. I assume something to do with the superstation. Moved to 5130 at 0032 as 7490 had gone to hell. Allan still going on about insurance, health care, social security and other things.

Reading of emails began at 0038 as Allan said he wanted to whittle down the pile of emails that hadn't been read on the show lately. A couple of long emails put an end to that and it was also announced that Dead Frog Radio is now off the air, possibly for the rest of the year until funding can be secured. Show was off the air at 0059 and a half in the middle of the closing prayer

(John Carver, Mid-North Indiana, Oct 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** <u>U S A [and non]</u>. FTIOM & UBMP Oct 28-Nov 3:

(Scheduling note:

Both FTIOM and UBMP will maintain the same transmission times in UT for Channel 292 and Space Line for the coming season. WBCQ's schedule is keyed to Eastern Standard [sic] Time US, and the UT for those transmissions will change accordingly as of November 4.)

From the Isle of Music, October 28-November 3:

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No interviews this week, rather we feature music from Libre de Pecado by Beatriz Márquez, which won the Gran Premio, Cancionistica and Grabación categories of Cubadisco 2018 plus music from Liuba Maríá [sic] Hevia, who was awarded a Premio Especial Extraordinario in Cubadisco 2018. The transmissions take place:

- 1. For Eastern Europe but audible well beyond the target area in most of the Eastern Hemisphere (including parts of East Asia and Oceania) with 100 kW, Sunday 1500-1600 UT on SpaceLine, 9400, from Kostinbrod, Bulgaria (1800-1900 MSK)
- 2. For the Americas and parts of Europe, Tuesday 0000-0100 UT on WBCQ, 7490 from Monticello, ME, USA (Monday 8-9 PM EDT in the US). This has been audible in parts of NW, Central and Southern Europe with an excellent skip to Italy recently.
- 3 & 4. For Europe and sometimes beyond, Tuesday 1900-2000 UT and Saturday 1200-1300 UT on Channel 292, 6070 from Rohrbach, Germany.

Also recommended: Jetzt geht's los! (Here We Go!), an excellent program of early German Jazz produced by Radio Ohne Nahmen, comes on right before FTIOM on Tuesdays 1800-1900 UT on Channel 292.

Uncle Bill's Melting Pot, Oct 28 & 30, 2018 Episode 85 will feature some Estrellas de Areito recordings from Cuba. The transmissions take place:

- 1. Sunday 2200-2230 UT (6:00-6:30 PM Eastern US) on WBCQ The Planet 7490 from the US to the Americas and parts of Europe
- 2. Tuesday 2000-2030 UT on Channel 292, 6070 from Rohrbach, Germany for Europe. If current propagation conditions hold, the broadcast should reach from Iceland to Western Russia, Scandinavia down to North Africa and the Middle East, AND a long bounce to parts of New Zealand.

Also recommended: Marion's Attic, a unique program produced and hosted by Marion Webster featuring early 20th Century records, Edison cylinders etc played on the original equipment, comes on immediately before UBMP on Sundays 2100-2200 UT on WBCQ 7490.

Thanks for all you do for radio!
(William "Bill" Tilford, Owner/Producer, Tilford Productions, LLC, DX LISTENING DIGEST via WOR iog in advance)

From the Isle of Music, November 4-10, 2018:

This week, our special guest is Alberto Lescay, leader of FORMAS, whose excellent Afro NuJazz album Escape won the Opera Prima (Best New Artist) category of Cubadisco 2018 and was also nominated in Jazz Fusion and Recording. This is an episode that you should not miss. The transmissions take place:

1. For Eastern Europe but audible well beyond the target area in most of the Eastern Hemisphere (including parts of East Asia and Oceania) with 100 kW, Sunday 1500-1600 UT on SpaceLine, 9400, from Kostinbrod, Bulgaria

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- 2. For the Americas and parts of Europe, Tuesday 0100-0200 UT (UT CHANGE) on WBCQ, 7490 from Monticello, ME, USA (Monday 8-9 PM EST in the US). This has been audible in parts of NW, Central and Southern Europe with an excellent skip to Italy recently.
- 3 & 4. For Europe and sometimes beyond, Tuesday 1900-2000 UT and Saturday 1200-1300 UT (CET CHANGES) on Channel 292, 6070 from Rohrbach, Germany.

Uncle Bill's Melting Pot, November 4 and 6, 2018:

Episode 86 will feature some folk music and Fado from Portugal. The transmissions take place:

- 1. Sunday 2300-2330 UT (UT CHANGE) (6:00-6:30 PM Eastern US) on WBCQ The Planet 7490 from the US to the Americas and parts of Europe
- 2. Tuesday 2030-2100 UT (NEW TIME) on Channel 292, 6070 from Rohrbach, Germany for Europe. If current propagation conditions hold, the broadcast should reach Iceland AND Western Russia due to a long skip. Time change on 6070 due to interference from AWR/VOH at 2000-2030.

Also recommended: Marion's Attic, a unique program produced and hosted by Marion Webster featuring early 20th Century records, Edison cylinders etc played on the original equipment, comes on immediately before UBMP on Sundays at 2200-2300 UT on WBCQ 7490 (William "Bill" Tilford, Owner/Producer, Tilford Productions, LLC, Nov 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST) As corrected

For a Nov 10 program on WBCQ, see GERMANY [non]

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** <u>U S A</u>.

9265, WINB, English ID including the address in Red Lion, and then into a church service from Beauford GA with a preacher talking about the unrighteousness of America today, and how the Homosexuals, Hillary Clinton and Politically Correct ideology are condemning America. His 'speech pattern' was fascinating: he used "Amen" as a sort of verbal tick like some people use 'Um' or 'Er'. "And, Amen, the Lord, Amen, wants to Amen talk to America, Amen and God has a Legal complaint against America, Amen, and his Word has been compromised, Amen, with all the beasts of the land, and the Amen, Fishes of the sea" (That is a DIRECT quote!) Whoever this dude was, he was only one small step clearer than the screaming Cajun Preacher Terry Blalock. 44+444 with just a titch of my local QRM, 2130-2145 19/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire +ANC4

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Here it is, found from WINB sked for Friday 2130, but unnamed huxter:

`Welcome to Back To The Bible Holiness Church, Inc. We are located at 690 New Street, Buford, Georgia 30518. You may reach us at: 770-932-2457. We are "THE CHURCH WHERE THE WORD OF GOD IS PREACHED AND TAUGHT WITH LOVE WITHOUT COMPROMISE". Thank you for listening to our broadcast. - cwww.btttbhc.com`` --- but the weblink is unfound even if one of the t`s be removed. I suspect this is *not* part of the major ministry Back to the Bible (gh, DXLD)

WINB DRM Tentativo di ricezione --- Ciao a tutti gli amici del gruppo. Anche oggi, dalle 1500 alle 1530 su 15670 kHz, ho tentato di ricevere il programma DRM della stazione americana WINB. In allegato lo screenshot della stazione e la forma d'onda del segnale dal quale si evince che la difficoltà di ricezione risiede in quel picco a destra estraneo al segnale che, tra l'altro, è piuttosto irregolare, molto lontano dal classico "panettone" tipico dei segnali DRM. L'audio non si riceve (i tre led in basso a sinistra non si commutano mai tutti sul colore verde segno che tutto è a posto). Qualche sprazzo di audio (che invierò a parte a Roberto), molto breve, non giustifica un corretto ascolto. Le condizioni di lavoro: Ricevitore Kenwood TS-440 e antenna dipolo. Downconverter autocostruito. Buoni dx a tutti (Giovanni Lorenzi, ITALIAN AMATEUR RADIO STATION I T 9 T Z Z, ESCLUSIVAMENTE IN TELEGRAFIA

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QRZ.com page> http://www.qrz.com/db/it9tzz [2]

Attachment(s) from Giovanni Lorenzi

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bclnews.it yg Oct 25, via DXLD) For B-18 moved DRM to 13690 (gh)

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** <u>U S A</u>.

9475-, Oct 23 at 1424-1444+, WTWW-1 is S9 of dead air. Don`t wake up, Ted! This ``programming`` is a 1000% improvement over a long -dead racist gospel huxter from SFAW. I keep checking thruout the day and when convenient leave a spare receiver on 9475 with volume turned up, to hear NOTHING but dead air with occasional fading noise: 1625-1755+, 2050, 2133-2400+; but at 0021 the signal drops out so I think it has gone off, but JBA carrier still there, so maybe propagation crashed first. BTW, the only competition for 9475 might have been TWR Swaziland at 1745-1815.

At 0140 Oct 24, neither 9475 nor equivalent night frequency 5830 of WTWW-1 is audible, and it`s still off at 0623 while neighbor 5935 WWCR is VG; but 5085, WTWW-2 has come on by 0140 with music discussion about the chromatic scale, rather than usual ham show.

(The competing ham show on 5129.8, WBCQ, is however on and poorly audible).

Next daytime, Oct 24, after 1409 check, 9475 is back to full PPPP modulation

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

5970, Oct 24 at 0617, WEWN Spanish is back on with good signal, absent 48+ hours earlier

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

7505v, WRNO, Oct 23, did in fact hear some of the very distorted audio that Glenn has been reporting on; at 1127 in English and audio was fine; 1148 very poor audio and also again distorted at 1210, in English. So the problem is intermittent.

7505v, WRNO, on Oct 24, with random checking 1132 through till 1304*; no audio problems noted today; was in Chinese, with "Grace For Today" programs and some IDs in English

(Ron Howard, Ocean Beach [San Francisco], CA, Etón E1, antenna: 100'long wire, WOR iog via DXLD)

** U S A.

5055.9 & 5044.1 approx., Oct 28 at 0144, WWRB 5050v is now spewing his nasty spurs about here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

15555/USB, WJHR, FL, Milton, s/on including email address and full call, & an Ident tune played on a banjo and into a preacher recorded on Father's Day talking about 'fathers' including the one you'd expect but also others, and reading from John. The gist of her [sic] sermon was 'if God can love us, why can't we love one another?' A good message if he [sic; trans??? gh] REALLY means it!

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He never actually told us who he was, so I have no clue [nobody but John Hill on this station! gh], but the audio continues to have a 1.9 kHz 'whistle' artifact that is notchable, either with a filter on the radio or in an audio recording, but still, ANNOYING! The recording was a bit muffled sounding. But my local noise is rather lower than usual. Did they fix something while restoring the power outage from the weekend? Fingers crossed.

Apparently Hurricane Michael didn't take out this station -- I have no idea how close this site is to the storm's path, but it had to receive some nastiness! 44+54+4 with whistle notched, an 0 of 3 without! 1355-1430 recorded as I got ready to leave for the office.

No sign of WINB in 19 metres where they supposedly are testing DRM on weekday noontimes UT. 22/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno, +randomwire +ANC4 -- (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

17775, KVOH CA, with Religi-pop music and English Bible Teaching, that was SANE, but not nearly so useful as the feature from Madagascar about AIDS and public health. This would have been lost in the noise if the power were on. An 'interesting' ID at 1726 "Radio is Love, this is the Voice of Hope." Started out 2+5432+, but up to 35443+ by BoH. 1720-1730 20/Oct, SDRplay +SDRuno +randomwire --Zichi PO (Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI with power outage, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST) English only on Saturdays (gh)

** <u>U S A</u>.

700, WLW, Cincinnati (Mason xmtr) OH; 1547-1613+, 10/24; "700 WLW the home of the Bearcats"; regarding the FEMA NWPS PEP test, "Bill Cunningham will be coming to you live from a facility we hope to never use." Announcements about the test at 1552 & 1602:30; "The 12 O'clock Report with Brian; 1607:42 into The Bill Cunningham Show with commentary about the FEMA facility & the history of WLW; said that when WLW bumped power to 500 kW, WLW was Hitler's worse nightmare. Steady signal at S7+ & no change in strength or quality after the test started; 690 splash up a bit from earlier

(Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 185' RW, ----- All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time & without the aid of a computer! -----, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

830, Oct 25 at 1256 UT, Spanish gospel huxter about to fade out next to Mexicali on 820; loops east/west which pretty much rules out west, and Mexico, rather pointing to WUMY Memphis TN.

I recall reading somewhere recently that it changed owner and format, but NRC AM Log 2018-2019, closing date early August, still has it with classic hits as Guess FM, 3 kW daytimer //93.3 translator, with street address across the state line in Southaven MS. Searching e-dxn website, I don't find any update about this, but a wider websearch upturns these:

``Guess-FM Memphis Sold To Local Spanish Operator
By Lance Venta Last updated Jun 18, 2018
https://radioinsight.com/headlines/168991/guess-fm-memphis-sold-to-local-spanish-operator/

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Guess FM 1180 WGUE Memphis --- After selling 830 WUMY/105.5 W288BJ Memphis TN to GMF-Christian Media for \$706,823 in May, Memphis First Ventures sells the remainder of Classic Hits "Guess-FM" to Butron Media Corporation.``

https://twitter.com/BuenasNuevasMEM

GMF Christian Media Presents Buenas Nuevas Memphis - 105.5 FM/830 AM Coming to the Airwaves 10.1.18

Buenas Nuevas Memphis @BuenasNuevasMEM

Also leads to: https://buenasnuevasmemphis.com

``Buenas Nuevas Memphis is GMF's Christian Media's first Spanish speaking FM [sic] radio station. Reaching Hispanics in Memphis and beyond with the Good News of Jesus!``

I`ve always wondered why cristianos translate ``good news`` as ``buenas nuevas`` --- no one speaking proper Spanish would ever render ``news`` as ``nuevas`` instead of ``noticias`` or ``noticiero`` or ``noticiario``. And can there be a singular ``nueva`` in the gospel-huxter context? Maybe they are semi-literate.

830 also has CP for 8000/2 watts, both from same site in west-central Memphis TN, could be in use now. FCC shows call has not been changed from WUMY; who cares, since they have their new slogan branding.

An FCC NPRM, In the Matter of Revitalization of the AM Radio Service))) MB Docket No. 13-249, SECOND FURTHER NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING Adopted: October 5, 2018, mentions:

``Other stations must reduce power to the point that it is tantamount to no nighttime service at all. An example is station WUMY, Memphis, Tennessee, at 830 kHz, which broadcasts with 8 kilowatts nominal power during the day but only 2 watts at night, because it must protect WCCO, Minneapolis, Minnesota, almost 700 miles away.``

WUMY originated as KBOA in Kennett, MO bootheel, which QSLed me long ago as a playing card!

BTW, this gospel Spanish is not to be confused with a secular SS also on 830, WFNO Norco LA, which also really gets out vs WCCO (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

830, Oct 26 at 1302 UT, WUMY Memphis TN still audible poorly with more definite info confirming my research yesterday: weather in Spanish for `ciudad de Memphis`; mentioning cities covered from Jackson (TN) to Jonesboro (AR); 1303 gospel rock tune; 1307, ``105.5 --- Buenas Nuevas``

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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** <u>U S A</u>.

1080/AM\$, WOAP, MI, Owosso, OM DJ announcing a "Commercial Free Hour" and into pop music like Annie Lennox and some more current tunes as well. Stereo decoding with full quieting, and nice modulation like they were years ago before the 'Birach' disaster. This is one of my 'go to stations' in the car -- nice to hear them in stereo! 554+54+ THIS close to all 5s. 1856-1859 20/Oct MCS 3050 +indoor tuned loop -- Zichi PO

(Kenneth Vito Zichi, Williamston MI with power outage, WOR iog via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A.

[pirate] Radio Moshiach & Redemption is back on the air, this time on 1700 kHz. They previously used 1710. Their web site, http://radiomoshiach.com/ also mentions 1640 & coming from Crown Heights, a section of Brooklyn NY (source? MARE Tipsheet Oct 26 via DXLD) minus side of 1700, 18-43

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** VATICAN.

15595, Oct 25 at 1544, Arabic at S9-S7. It's merely VR, 100 kW, 107 degrees from SMG (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Vatican Radio - English Africa Radio Service: Shortwave Frequency changes --- Daylight Saving time in Rome:

We wish to inform listeners that with the end of Daylight Saving [sic] Time in Rome on Sunday 28th October, there will be changes in the time and broadcast frequencies of the English Africa Service.

The programme will be going on air one hour earlier at 16.30 UTC (GMT) on the following shortwave frequencies: 11625 kHz (25mb) and 13830 kHz (21mb). It will be repeated at 20.00 hours UTC on 6010 kHz (49mb) and the 7365 kHz (40 mb).

Listeners in Rome:

For listeners in Rome and the Vatican who have a digital radio receiver, the 'English Africa Programme' can be heard on Vatican News' World Channel on digital radio DAB+ at 17.30 UTC and the repeat broadcast at 21.00 hours UTC.

Listen to and download our daily Podcast from anywhere in the world: To listen to the Podcast of our programme throughout the day, just log on to our website http://www.vaticannews.va, click on English and then from right hand side of the page; click on "listen to our podcasts" and choose 'English for Africa'.

Catholic Radio Stations in Africa retransmit our daily programme: On the continent, the main outlet for our daily English Africa programmes will continue to be through the re-transmission of our daily broadcasts by several Catholic radio stations.

Most of these radio stations are owned by various African Catholic dioceses, parishes, religious congregations and some by the Radio Maria network.

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https://www.vaticannews.va/en/africa/news/2018-10/english-africa-radio-programme-shortwave-frequency-changes.html

(via Mike Terry, Oct 25, WOR iog via DXLD)

Logically, with the end of DST, programmes should go on air one real UT hour *later*, not earlier. Yet they also say listeners in Rome will hear them one hour later than on SW?? This does not make sense. Since DST is unknown in (almost?) all of Africa, there should be *no* timeshifts.

Guess what, English to Africa is *already* at 1630-1700 UT per the A-18 schedule in EiBi:

1630 1700 CVA Radio Vaticana E CAf 15565, SAf 7360/MDG And the only RV broadcast at 1730 is in Tigrigna!

So if the B-18 is at 1630, there is *no* change in time, just frequencies. 1630 on 11625-MDC and 13830-SMG matches advance HFCC B-18 info. Probably same confusion concerning the repeat, not checked (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

We draw the attention of our radio listeners that due to the transition to winter time starting from October 28, there will be changes in the broadcast schedule in Russian on short waves. The first program will be aired at 12 hours 30 minutes Coordinated Universal Time (UT) at frequencies of 6145 kHz (48.82 m) and 7.435 kHz (40.34m), as well as via the satellite channel Eutelsat 2.

The transmission is repeated at 16 hours 20 minutes Coordinated Universal Time at frequencies 6185 kHz (48.50m) and 7360 kHz (40.76m).

In addition, all of our broadcasts are broadcast via streaming Internet broadcasting on the third Vatican News channel, with the exception of the broadcast at 9 hours 35 minutes, which is broadcast on the first channel. Our programs can also be listened to in the recording: they are available in the podcast format on the Russian service website "Vatican News".

The Holy Mass of the Latin rite in Russian from the Chapel of the Annunciation in the Vatican is transmitted on the second and fourth Sunday of each month at 9.30 am Coordinated Universal Time on short waves of 19 and 16 meters corresponding to frequencies of 15595 and 17590 kHz, via streaming Internet broadcasting - on the second channel of the portal "Vatican News", as well as via the satellite channel Eutelsat 2.

(Source:

https://www.vaticannews.va/ru/vatican-city/news/2018-10/izmenenie-v-setke-nashego-radioveshaniya.html via Vasily Gulyaev, Astrakhan, Russia / "open_dx" via Rus-DX 28 Oct via DXLD)

[non]. 9695, Oct 28 at 1224, S9-S7 open carrier; what`s this? 1236 recheck it`s popal stuff in Spanish with Italian accent, obviously VR, the relay via Greenville B violating Separation of Church & State, new time and frequency for B-18, ex 1130-1145 on 9610, but at 1230 now 9610 is occupied by KSDA in Chinese. This timeshift obviously for the convenience of Romans, not Americans, to keep it at the same local clock time in the See, post-DST over there (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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YEMEN

** YEMEN. There is a new radio station, under the name of "Sawt Al Jomhouria" (Voice of the Republic) transmitting its programs on 1170 kHz. It's obvious and clear that this is a Yemeni station supporting the Arab coalition forces working over there. I did a little research over the internet, this station was created by the Yemeni's "National Resistance Forces - Republic's Guards" in "Al Hudayda" region and started its transmission on 5-June-2018 on 104.1 MHz at that region https://sahafahnet.net/show3504583.html?fbclid=lwAR3GGm7um2i_KSPCJ_btHtlH-XARP-a1jlkxF1TyaKnL83vUfpCqTbihnc Best Regards, (Rawad Hamwi, Saudi Arabia?, Oct 26, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non?]. I monitored Voice of the Republic on 1170 kHz at 2340-0015 UT last night/this morning [26/27 Oct 2018], identifying in Arabic as Voice of the Republic. 1170 kHz is a channel recently vacated by the high-powered UAE transmitter which used to relay Radio Sawa. Al-Hudaydah city is currently under seige by anti-Houthi forces who control other parts of the province; I wonder if this transmitter is in Saudi Arabia, though? Reception was good via a web SDR in Qatar, nothing heard when I checked this morning at 0615 UT this morning (daylight hours of course). You can hear a 1-minute edited clip of this at http://www.intervalsignals.net/yemen_vot_republic_261018.m3u

I cannot fully translate the referenced website because for some reason Google Translate will only translate the page banner. This does give the name of the station though and the 104.1 FM frequency.

Thanks to Rawad Hamwi for this tip via Glenn and DXLD!

This news website refers:

http://alwfaqnews.net/Detail.aspx?nwsid=505.

Perhaps an Arabic-speaker could take a look at the accompanying graphic giving the frequencies, what is 'GM 2' for instance? (David Kernick, Interval Signals Online, Oct 27, WOR iog via WORLD OF RADIO 1954, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A search with known plaintext resulted in the following hits:

[Original Arabic script on WOR iog but cannot be shown here --- gh]

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Radio frequency of Sana'a and West Coast: AM 1170 KHz
Radio frequency in Hodeidah: 104.1 FM
Voice of the Republic Radio # Al-Wefaq newz

Radio frequency of the Republic of Sana'a and Dhamar

Medium Wave: AM 1170 kHz

Radio frequency in Hodeidah: 104.1 FM

"..To follow and support everyone

Radio the Voice of the Republic in Tahmah and the West Coast and the capital Sana'a and the rest of the provinces on the frequency 104.1 FM and frequency 1170 AM and Nilesat 12360. It is a platform of victory."

governorates of Yemen and Arabia via satellite as well. It is also broadcast via the Nilesat orbit in the name of GM2 or the voice of the Republic at frequency 12360.."

It looks like this: Sawt Al Jomhuria is using the former transponder slot of GM2 radio on the Eutelsat 7 West A.

https://ar.kingofsat.tv/freqs.php?

<u>&pos=7W&lim=310&standard=All&ordre=freq&filtre=Clear&aff=list</u>

Eutelsat 7 West A	12360	. 42	V	E34	MENA	DVB-S	QPSK
27500 5/6 42.2	Mbps						
SUMER FM	3360	361	ara	360	361		2017-09-14
AL RASHEED RADIO	3361	371	ara	370	371		2017-11-11
GM1 Radio <==	3362	381	ara	380	381		2017-11-11
Sawt Al Jomhuria	3365	3365	ara	3386	3365		2018-08-02
<== ex. GM2 R	adio (?)					

(roger thayer, ibid.)

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Perhaps an Arabic-speaker could take a look at the accompanying graphic giving the frequencies,

https://tinyurl.com/y8gkzf59

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Hodeidah - news story - special:

On Tuesday 5 June 2018, Voice of the Republic radio broadcast and broadcast live in Hodeidah on FM 104.1. An official from the radio station "Voice of the Republic" of the National Resistance Forces "guards of the Republic", it is now able to citizens in the city of Hodeidah to listen to its newsletters on an ongoing basis. The National Resistance Forces (NRF) launched Voice of the Republic radio last month.

https://www.yemenakhbar.com/1477860 http://yemeninews.net/show213717.html https://www.newsyemen.net/news31689.html

GM2 and GM1 are (presumably) the radios of the TV station "Al Ghad Al Mushreq". Here on left side of the radio player, but does not load:

https://tinyurl.com/y79th9os

Name: = "Radio the bright tomorrow"

Broadcasting start of GM Radio was 3 years ago:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gb5qaYvXa6o

(roger, germany, ibid.)

Roger, thanks very much for your comprehensive and response to my queries regarding this station! I've just been listening to it this evening via Qatar web SDR, strong signal again but noisier than yesterday

(David Kernick, Interval Signals Online, 1825 UT Oct 27, ibid.)

The operator of this multiplex on Eutelsat 7 West A is, if Lyngsat has

https://www.du.ae/managedservices/broadcast-services/satellite-video-platform

Raises the question if the AM wave is perhaps die verträumte Mittelwelle Al-Dhabbaya 1170 kHz, die uns immer so schweinisch viel Kohle gekostet hat - in English and without the Lutz Bertram variation: Which had been used for Radio Sawa until it was cancelled because it was simply a bit too expensive.

All not too much of a surprise, with UAE being an ally of those described in this article as not only cruel but also unbelievable stupid:

The Saudis and the Khashoggi case Unrestrained stupidity

What the Saudi Crown Prince touches turns into a disaster - currently seen in the case of Khashoggi. Apart from all ethical abysses, how can a ruling house be so ridiculous? © DER SPIEGEL

A comment by Christoph Reuter

http://www.spiegel.de/politik/ausland/jamal-khashoggi-die-saudis-agieren-grausamund-unfassbar-kurzsichtig-a-1234624.html

(Kai Ludwig, Germany, ibid.)

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ZANZIBAR

** ZANZIBAR.

11735, ZBC Radio presumed the one at 2008 in Swahili with a woman with possible news to 2012 and possible East African pop vocals at 2012 and more talk at 2014 and back to East African pop vocals at 2016 — Very Weak Oct 23 — If this is them, then they've been missing for a while from this QTH possibly due to having to transmit on lower power? (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario, Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA iog via DXLD)

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Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search, Oct 24 at 0448- 0456, on the DX-398, everything roughly from NE u.o.s.: 1413, 1314, 1305, 1224, 1215*, 1152(2), 1125(2), 1089, 1062(2), 1053, 1044, 1026, 963, 954(2), 936, 909, 837, 774, 738, 702, 639, 603(2), 585, 558, 549, 531. At 0459 check a few more: 1116, 1107, 1053(2), 954. *strongest; (2)=at least two carriers beating. (I also had carrier on low side of 774-, looping N/S, probably local device.)

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search, Oct 25 at 1240-1254 UT, spanning LSR of 1248, lots of activity into the altazimuth wrist- mounted DX-398 with internal antenna only: 558, 576-WSW, 594-NW, 603- NW, 612-WSW, 657-NW(2), 693*-NW, 702(2), 711-NW, 729-NW, 747-NW, 756- NW, 774-NW, 792-NW, 828-NW, 837-NW, 864-NW(2), 973-NW, 882(2), 909-NW, 936, 972*-NW with some talk audible = Korea South; 1035-NW, 1044-NW, 1089-NW, 1098-W, 1134-NW, 1242-NW, 1296-NW, 1323, 1422-NW, 1503, 1548, 1566-NW. Some were too weak to DF, and/or equal signals from DU and FE. *stronger ones; (2) at least two carriers beating (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search, Oct 26 at 0023- 0030 into the R75 via 100-foot E-W longwire: 531, 558(2), 576, 585*, 621, 648, 693(2), 711, 747, 774, 819, 837, 846(2), 855*, 864(2), 873, 882*, 909*, 963, 981, 1026, 1035, 1044, 1053, 1089*, 1098, 1107(2), 1152, 1161, 1179, 1215*, 1224, 1413, 1458, 1503, 1539, 1575(2). *stronger ones; (2) at least two carriers beating (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search, Oct 27 from 0455 on the R75: 531, 558(2), 576, 585, 612, 621, 639, 666, 693, 729, 738, 756, 774, 837, 855, 882, 909(2), 936, 954, 999(2), 1053, 1062, 1089 (2), 1098(-), 1107, 1215*, 1305(2), 1314, 1413, 1422, 1566, 1584(2). (2) = at least two carriers beating: *stronger; (-) perceptibly off to the low side

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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<u>UNIDENTIFIED</u>.

Trans-Atlantic JBA MW carrier search, Oct 28 at 0148- 0155, on the DX-398 aimed NE: 531, 549, 558, 576, 585, 621, 639, 693 (2), 711, 729, 738, 774, 855, 873, 882, 909, 936, 954, #963, 999, 1017, #1026, 1044, 1053, 1089, #1125, 1134(2), 1152, 1179, 1215, 1458, 1575. #are ones not heard on the sweep up but detected on a second sweep down; everything is fading up and down a bit, and heavy QRM level varies. (2) = at least two carriers beating. In USB tuning, the ones ending in -9 are interesting, as I am getting a big het from the -0 domestics, but also little lower pitch offset het from the TAs; even against 1000 KTOK OKC

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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9628.4-USB, Oct 26 at 1424, weak Spanish 2-way INTRUDERS. Why does no one else ever report these intruders inside our SWBC bands? They are unavoidable in routine bandscans. SWLs don't care, unlike the hamband intruder-watchers

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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11840, Oct 29 at 1453, S9 carrier with some pulsing quick cut-outs, soon off to stay. Could it be a test from International Radio for Disaster Relief, from SMG VATICAN, the only thing allowed in HFCC, as Cuba doesn't count? Would not be on 11840 at this hour, anyway (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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13559.0-USB, Oct 26 at 2317, continuous talk in colloquial Spanish, almost seems like a broadcast, vs the constant ISM Part 15 blob centred on 13560 (do others have that? I think this is of local origin). Finally refers to ``puta-madre``, so 2-way (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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15153.70-USB, Oct 26 at 1416, colloquial Spanish 2-way INTRUDERS, one specific heard but mentioned `puro puerco` so perhaps pig smugglers

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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15156.00-LSB, Oct 29 at 1447, 2-way in Spanish INTRUDERS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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15440-USB, Oct 28 at 1413, 2-way in Spanish, INTRUDERS. Who cares? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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15630.034, Oct 27 at 1410, JBA carrier significantly off-frequency catches my ear. Nothing listed on ``15630`` now, but best bet is Radio Cairo, EGYPT, on late after Dari at 1300-1400 via Abis, per NDXC/Aoki and EiBi --- rather than imaginary RSOman at 1400 -1730 in HFCC A-18 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENNING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1954:

Thanks to Steven Zimmerman, West Allis WI, for a generous check to Glenn Hauser, P 0 Box 1684, Enid OK 73702; and Steve says:

``Hi Glenn, Though I've been an infrequent contributor, I still do read DXLD every week. I have been enjoying the post-loggings section with the interesting threads from other lists, as well as the news affecting broadcasting.

I found an old recording of Radio Canada International from October, 1986. Ian Mc Farland had a special on pirate radio, and your loggings followed after that. I've been trying to digitize these gems as of late. Listening to your segment was a reminder how many broadcasters are not around anymore. And the loggings....if only! Thanks for your dedication to this still-great hobby``.

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

I had little time to listen to shortwave while working. Now retired, I thought "I hope there is someone like my old buddy Glenn Hauser still doing a similar show." But imagine my happiness to hear your show again! Thanks for your tireless work (Karl Witsman, with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

Hello Glenn, Here is another donation for your longtime works-of-excellence for the radio DXing Community, esp. WOR & DXLD. Best 73 - (Steve - N6NKS McGreevy with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

Subject:

edition # 1961

I look forward to World of Radio edition 1961 as it was my year of birth. I know it is not far away regarding your program which I always try to catch every week and it won't be too far as well for my birthday. Take care and happy holidays! (David Medrick, Oct 25, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

David, That`s neat --- so it would be 8 weeks from now in late December. Keep listening - (Glenn)

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PUBLICATIONS

Schedule radio in Russian / Season B18 Winter 2018 - 2019

http://freerutube.info/2018/10/14/raspisanie-radio-na-russkom-yazyike-sezon-b18-zima-2018-2019/

UPDATE AVAILABLE - WINTER SEASON B18 Winter 2018 - 2019 (Update as schedules arrive!)

= 2019 =

- This icon indicates that the current schedule has been published. SCHEDULE OF WORK OF RADIO STATIONS BROADCASTING IN THE RUSSIAN LANGUAGE from October 28, 2018 to March 30, 2019 inclusive Time is UT everywhere ...

http://freerutube.info/

(via Rus-DX 28 Oct via DXLD)

LANGUAGE LESSONS

With 1 word a day, this man is teaching the world how to speak Inuktitut

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/angus-andersen-teaches-intuktitut-1.4881065 (via Gerald T Pollard, Oct 28, DXLD)

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MUSEA

Dover spy radio equipment museum
Daring spies who broadcast from behind enemy lines

An ITV News report says:

Owning just one of them in World War Two carried the death penalty, but Ian Keyser, G3R00 has more than a dozen - ensuring a piece of secret history is brought out into the open. So what are they? They are, of course, spy radios - used to send messages back to base from behind enemy lines. And decades later, much of the collection is still in use. Tony Green has this special report.

Watch this ITV News video:

https://www.itv.com/news/meridian/2018-10-19/daring-spies-who-broadcast-from-behind-enemy-lines/

Kent Online October 15 has an article with photos on the museum and how to arrange a visit.

https://www.kentonline.co.uk/dover/news/home-becomes-museum-of-wartime-spy-kit-191514/ (Southgate Amateur Radio October 23 via Mike Barraclough, Oct 28, bdxc-news iog via DXLD)

HISTORIAS DE RADIO DE DANIEL CAMPORINI, NUEVOS SEGMENTOS SONOROS

RADIO FREE DIXIE

Como ya todos conocemos, en mayor o menor medida, la disputa política entre Estados Unidos y Cuba lleva ya un largo camino recorrido, especialmente durante los años de la guerra fría. Luego del triunfo de la Revolución cubana que llevó al movimiento 26 de julio al poder, se inició una guerra en las ondas de radio que se ha prolongado a lo largo de varias décadas, con transmisiones blancas, grises y negras...

LA VOZ DE LOS ANDES

La emisora HCJB fue inaugurada en 1931, por la iniciativa de Clarence Jones y Reuben Larson, quien era misionero en Ecuador desde hacía ya varios años y ya había tenido alguna experiencia en transmisiones radiales evangélicas en la ciudad de Chicago en los Estados Unidos. En 1928 recorrieron varios países, Colombia, Cuba, Panamá, entre ellos, en donde les negaros la posibilidad de instalar una emisora. De inmediato se pusieron en la tarea de obtener el permiso de las autoridades ecuatorianas, lo que obtienen el 15 de agosto de 1930, pero la emisora no estaría lista para salir al aire hasta diciembre de 1931.

Página del programa:

http://programasdx.com/historiasderadio.htm

Podcast Historias de Radio:

http://historiasderadiodc.podomatic.com/

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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 Para cualquier consulta:

historiasderadio@hotmail.com

<u>Si desean escuchar otros programas diexistas en español pueden</u> <u>visitar:</u>

http://programasdx.com/

Programas DX en facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/programasdx https://www.facebook.com/radiodifusion/

<u>Programas DX en twitter:</u>

https://twitter.com/programasdx

Cordiales 73 (Daniel Camporini/José Bueno, Oct 28, playdx yg via DXLD)

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DX-PEDITIONS

Breakwater Inn (ex-Grayland Motel)

On Friday Oct 12, we noticed work had been done on the front of the ex Grayland Motel and the sign was gone. Bruce Googled the address and found it had a new name: Breakwater Inn and Cottages.

<u>So off we went on Sunday to find out what was happening. The result:</u> we found that the new owners (a nice couple) were busy renovating the place from top to bottom. They're doing all the work themselves, and the cottages are finished and look nice. The old run down place is no more!

The work on the motel part is just starting. They hope to have some of it open in January.

I don't know exact prices but Becky (co-owner) knows the place will draw families, beachcombers and clammers and won't try to be an upscale expensive place.

We told her a bit about the history of radio at the Grayland Motel and about our antennas. We passed the test and she's happy to have us.

It's just great to have the motel in the hands of someone that wants to rejuvenate it, can do the work themselves, and isn't trying to get rich.

In a few months we'll go check it out and check the noise levels. http://breakwatergrayland.com/

Viva Grayland! (Chuck Hutton, IRCA via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See MEXICO

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB See VATICAN

<u>DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC See PROPAGATION:</u>
WSCR

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See CHINA; INDIA; NEPAL; NEW ZEALAND;

USA: WINB

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RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

POWER GRID EXACT AC FREQUENCIES

FYI, I stumbled across a website you nay be interested in: http://fnetpublic.utk.edu/

It is a site that shows the frequency of the four North American power grids at any moment. Also shows the frequency of some other countries. Our grids vary between 59.94 Hz & 60.06 Hz (William Hassig, Free Radio Weekly Oct 26 via DXLD)

RF heating underground to enable production from oilsands

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/bitumen-radio-wave-heating-acceleware-road-ahead-1.4875140

No mention of frequency range (Gerald T Pollard, NC, DXLD)

A phasing story. Greenland 720 logged in IL [see also GREENLAND]

A phasing story from last night. I live 12 miles NNW from WGN's transmitter. I put down a 288 ft BOG at about 35 deg // a 177 ft one. Phase null of WGN peaked at about 50 dB and it was down close to S6 on Perseus. Sure enough there's audio seeming // KNR webstream which was mostly talk. Then from 0104-0108 a couple of bouncy tunes sung by females clinched it leaving me no doubt. This using the Quantum Phaser which I think I'd like 2:1 or even 3:1 Vernier knobs for.

When I got Greenland at my WI DX paradise a decade ago, WGN and KNR were about S7-8 using longer terminated BOGs. At 12 miles distance I have no skywave to worry about.

I couldn't get Greenland on 650 where even though WSCR and WSM are close together on the dial and in similar directions, WSCR IBOC crept up during best null on WSM and visa-versa.

IBOC sucks but phasing ROCKS. Short BOGs aren't impressive 'til you phase them to create good back nulls. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, Barrington IL, Oct 28, nrc-am gg via DXLD) Beverage On the Ground

May I please join the party! With a bow to Sylvain, who started me on the hunt? I spent weeks phasing WGN to oblivion trying for KNR Greenland on 720 after he logged it several years ago --- and of course Tim and Kaz with their recent superb achievements, I lit up the under-utilised DXE NCC-1 phaser. It has been side-lined here because recording on the Perseus encourages the broadband approach. Hooked my 400 ft Greenland nDB BOG (c. 40 degrees; love BOG`s, they cannot fall down when cometh the ice!) to antenna post A, and the trusty PAORDT mini whip to B, and experimented with reducing WGN to dust on 720. With some success. At 0218Z, as others have noted, KNR stuck a few distinctive pop tunes into the man talking/woman talking routine that was rumbling along and it was obvious that success was at last at hand.

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Now WGN is 400 miles from here, and pretty well 180 degrees from Greenland, but still, it felt pretty good, right up there with logging the 75m signal [3999 kHz] a few scant weeks before they pulled the plug, back in the day. There is about 2500 ft of creatively draped wire these days in my suburban ravine; in Whitby, 25 miles NE of Toronto downtown, and it feels really good, I can tell you. I have bionic knees and don't get around too well right now. I can see future antenna maintenance could be quite a problem. But I am seeing the Aussie and Pacific carriers at dawn (currently 1250Z or so here), and perhaps a few from Asia over the pole will make it this winter with the Solar low. Iceland booms in here on LW (both channels), as do many of the Europeans lately, when conditions are good. What was that wonderful station on 1134 that I heard earlier than 2 pm local time a few years ago? And if all that fails, there are those amazing remote listening SDRs from which you can hear the World, as weak, or as strong, as you wish (Tony Ward (ZL1AZV, VE3NO etc), IRCA via DXLD)

Tony, Congratulations on catching KNR on 720, and welcome to the party! Don't forget to try 650 also, which has been better here on some nights versus their 720 outlet. And then there's the elusive 570 which hasn't happened here yet. 73, (Tim Tromp (125 miles away from WGN), ibid.)

Thanks, Tim. You have had a pretty exciting few weeks. Well done!! I am still hearing 720 up and down just after 0300Z. Have checked 650, but finding WSM harder to phase. But it will fall. The 570 channel used to be distinctively offset at 570.011 (IDed in Europe) a few years ago. After the big hiatus from KNR on AM BC, I imagine that may have reverted back to the nominal 570 if they did maintenance. The trace used to be quite easy from here at full zoom on the Perseus, but I do not see it tonight and it was always many many dB below audible. How far apart are your phased BOG`s? I could do that here if I can trust myself (bad back and leg) in the adjacent ravine where I have the Giraffe Farm (antennas). Was able to fix things in the Spring (about 14 antennas here), but then had another event 2 months ago and not getting around too well at present. Very happy with the PAORDT/BOG setup, and have a 750 ft longwire unterminated running to 165 deg that is my polar antenna, off the back end. I have managed an Alaskan Beacon (nDB), PVQ with this. Started the DX game in the mid-50's in Northland NZ. Fiji was a daytimer on MW! Love it still!! (Tony Ward, ibid.)

False DX'er health scare.

I had a bit of what I thought was a health scare this weekend. One two occasions while brushing my hair I noticed black flecks in the sink. There were also flakes on and in my ears. The first time I thought it was from working outside. Today I happened again and I got a bit worried. My wife checked over my scalp like we were two baboons grooming. She found nothing on my head except a couple more small black flecks.

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DX LISTENING DIGEST 18-44, October 29, 2018 RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM - POWER GRID EXACT AC FREQUENCIES 5 Nov 2018 06:51:15

I could not figure out what was going on but was worried my head or ears might have a health issue. I went downstairs and checked where I had been on the week end. Then I found the issue. I realized I had a bad case of MFJF or MFJ flakitus. Yes, the ear pads on my MFJ 392B headphones were flaking off the plastic coating. This was getting into my ears and hair. This must be some kind of DX related condition so please be careful if you feel you may have a case of MFJF. Don't worry, a shower and a new pair of headphones and your MFJF will be cured. Be well my friends (-- Shawn Axelrod VE4DX1SMA, Winnipeg MB Canada, Remember on a Clear Day You Can Hear Forever, Oct 29, nrc-am gg via DXLD)

Some of my headphones, not MFJ, do exactly the same thing; but I was not scared, recognizing immediately what was happening (gh, DXLD)

PROPAGATION

TA screening procedure for SDR captures

A quick Trans-Atlantic screening procedure for medium-wave SDR captures, as outlined below, can save a lot of time when going through "gaggles" of files representing hours of full-band reception.? Less useful, a.k.a. "naff", files can be given a cursory review for other DX or just be given the old heave-ho to save time and hard drive space.

A reasonable TA opening (and the regional characteristics thereof) can be sized up well by the reception quality of each of these major players:

NW Europe: (all UK) 693, 882, 909, 1089, 1215, 1341

NE Europe: (Lithuania) 1386

W Mediterranean (Algeria-Spain-Morocco) 531, 549, 585, 612, 621, 639, 684, 738, 774, 837, 855, 936, 1044, 1098, 1107, 1422

E Mediterranean and W Asia: (Syria) 783, (Egypt) 864, (Iran) 1188, (Greece + Saudi Arabia) 1512, (Saudi Arabia) 1521, (Iran + UAE) 1575

Other propagation check: 1179 is Romania or Spain/Canaries dominating?

Mid Africa: (Sao Tome VOA) 1530, (Benin TWR) 1566. If Mauritania 783 ever comes back on, add that.

Deep Africa, not too much there usually but try for S. Africa and Botswana: 567, 576, 648, 657, 702, 729, 828, 846, 909 all of which have been heard in the New England states and Canadian Atlantic provinces.

South Africa to US East Coast distances are similar to Down Under to West Coast: well in excess of 10000 km. In both cases summer can be the best time to DX those areas as noted by the Rockworks (OR) DXpeditions out west and Roy Barstow's Cape Cod summer beach outings on this side of the continent (Mark Connelly, WAIION, South Yarmouth, MA, USA, Oct 24, IRCA via DXLD) This could also be useful without SDR

Michigan TP Asian logs this morning, October 28th, 2018

I woke up early and started my session at 1000 UT with the hope of catching some audio from 1566 HLAZ after receiving a hint of the station a few days ago. Not even a carrier this morning. Then I started dialing down the band and was totally unprepared for what followed. It had me learning Japanese, Korean, and Chinese frequencies in a hurry. In the 10 years or so I've been doing this, the logs below are all new. These stations just don't make it to Michigan as I've learned from years of trying. I guess all it takes is a good solar minimum!

Listening session: 1000 UT - 1230 UT; Local sunrise: 1214 UT

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594, carrier strong at times and a little threshold audio at 1100 TOH allowing weak time pips to come through which seemed to match those used by NHK (3+1).

- 693, JOAB with mostly continuous audio with man & woman talking from 1012 up through 1200, downright good at times against the domestic splatter. 3+1 time pips noted at 1100 & 1200 TOH. Recording: https://youtu.be/Eml79LLf0RU
- 702, UNID threshold audio at 1154, presumed Asian or perhaps just a weak DU off the North DKAZ (but no other common DUs were noted).
- 747, UNID some audio at 1152, man talking, but no hope at recovering audio while sandwiched between CFZM & CKJH. Any parallel to check for?
- 774, JOUB, like 693 with mostly continuous audio from 1030 through 1200 and astonishly good at times // to 693. 3+1 time pips noted at 1100 & 1200 TOH. Recording: https://youtu.be/NZj6ju9flYg
- 828, UNID talk & language at 1149 up through 1200, strong signal but not strong enough to overcome WCCO splatter.
- 972, HLCA? with music and talk in unid language under very heavy domestic splatter. 3+1 time pips noted at 1200 TOH. Recording: https://youtu.be/aWouwz3RE08
- 1205.960, with audio for a brief moment at 1147 UT, woman talking in what sounded like an Asian language under domestic splatter. Some music noted at 1159 UT, TOH fanfare? MWoffsets suggest China. A weak het also noted near nominal. Recording: https://youtu.be/Aad-_170QCg

TP hets [meaning JBA carriers] all over the band!

594, 666, 711, 738, 756, 765, 783, 792, 801, 819, 864, 873, 891, 918, 927, 945, 954, 963, 981, 1008, 1017, 1035, 1044, 1053, 1071, 1107, 1116, 1134, 1143, 1152, 1179, 1188, 1197, 1242, 1269, 1287, 1314, 1323, 1332, 1377, 1422, 1566. 73, (Tim Tromp, Perseus SDR & 117 FT DKAZ aimed due North, 0100 UT Oct 29, ABDX yg via DXLD)

TP's into IL this morning!! Extraordinary quiet solar conditions has caused the auroral donut to be yielding as along with the usual big gun Aussies, China on 1205.96 and S. Korea on 972 were noted this morning at poor-fair levels. This in spite of being far enough away from the main beam of my west DKAZ to lose about 5-6 dB according to EZNEC.

China 1205.96 is listed as only 200 kW so I wonder what the real power is? 73 KAZ

All this in passing as I was recording so hopefully I can find a couple more. No Japanese audio noted. Aussies noted on 612/702/1548 audible but not really strong. HUGE OC on 1098 from Marshalls.

Nice to have logged 3 new countries (Greenland/China/ S. Korea) in 3 days! 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, Barrington IL, 1756 UT Oct 29, ibid.)

Michigan Asian TPs, October 29th, 2018

Rare Asian signals were back again in Michigan this morning but

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perhaps down slightly from yesterday's surreal DX session:

- 693, JOAB Tokyo, Japan with man and woman speaking at 1203 UT, // 774.
- 747, JOIB Sapporo, Japan with man and woman speaking at 1205, // 774
- 774, JOUB Akita, Japan with man speaking with fair audio at 1157, NHK time pips at 1200.
- 972, HLCA with unbelievable armchair copy at 1146. Must hear to b e l i e v e : http://amdxer.com/download/DX_Audio_Clips_0-999khz/972 kHz HLCA 29OC18 1145 UTC.mp3
- 1017, had some threshold audio at 1206, unknown if this was Tonga or Asian, but antenna and conditions favored Asia.
- And of course weaker carriers all over the band, too many to list.
- 73, (Tim Tromp, West Michigan, Perseus SDR & 117 FT DKAZ aimed due North, ibid.)

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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 22 - 28 October 2018

Solar activity was very low under a spotless solar disk. No Earth-directed coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were observed during the reporting period.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at normal levels throughout the period with a maximum flux of 67 pfu observed at 26/2110 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity was mostly quiet with an isolated unsettled period observed early on 22 Oct. Solar wind was at nominal levels through the period ranging from approximately 300-430 km/s with total field between 1 nT and 8 nT.

Forecast of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 29 October-24 November 2018

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels for the forecast period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels on 04-09 Nov and again on 12-16 Nov due to recurrent coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) influence.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels on 29-31 Oct, 03-07 Nov, and 09-11 Nov with G1 (Minor) geomagnetic storm levels likely on 03 Nov due to recurrent CH HSS effects.

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# UTC	Radio Flux	Planetary	Largest
# Date	10.7 cm	A Index	Kp Index
2018 Oct 29	69	8	3
2018 Oct 30	69	12	4
2018 Oct 31	69	10	4
2018 Nov 01	69	5	2
2018 Nov 02	69	5	2
2018 Nov 03	69	20	5
2018 Nov 04	69	15	4
2018 Nov 05	68	15	4
2018 Nov 06	70	15	4
2018 Nov 07	70	8	3
2018 Nov 08	70	5	2
2018 Nov 09	70	12	4
2018 Nov 10	70	8	3
2018 Nov 11	70	10	4
2018 Nov 12	70	5	2
2018 Nov 13	70	5	2
2018 Nov 14	70	5	2
2018 Nov 15	70	5	2
2018 Nov 16	70	5	2
2018 Nov 17	70	5	2
2018 Nov 18	69	5	2
2018 Nov 19	69	5	2
2018 Nov 20	68	5	2
2018 Nov 21	68	5	2
2018 Nov 22	68	5	2
2018 Nov 23	68	5	2
2018 Nov 24	68	5	2
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