

update

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AFGHANISTAN Kabul, 4773.7v; *1257 w/ OC, s/on w/ orch mx. Into Dari (presumed) talks and local mx. Like last winter, s/on is 1300, not listed 1330. (Pitt McNeil, DC)

ALBANIA Gjirokaster, 5057, noted several afternoons to 1935*; unusual mx, Albanian talks by M & W; always off abruptly. (McNeil, DC)

AUSTRALIA ABC, Perth, 9615, in EG at 1500 w/ px on world health problems. (Ruth Vollrath, MO)

CANADA CFRX, 6070, in EG at 1103 w/ nx. (Jack Jones, MISS) ***often good here in the evening.

CHILE V OF Chile, 11705 //15130, w/ sports px in tandem w/ Colo Colo 2315-0140; then back to usual "hellfire and brimstone". (Theo Donnelly, BC) +++ VoC also noted on 17801 at 2232 in IT; in the clear after VOA s/off at 2232. EG px at 2313. Very weak after 2330. (Glenn Hauser, TENN) +++ R. Minería, 9750, in SP at 1037 w/ talks and ad for a bank. (Jones, MISS)

CLANDESTINE R. Abdala, 7084v, in SP at 2307. M w/ 2 IDs over theme mx from "2001: A Space Odyssey." Into strident anti-Castro talks. Horrid modulation. (McNeil, DC)

COLOMBIA R. Surcolombiana, 5010, in SP at 1031 w/ TC, ID and "musica de Huila". (Jones, MISS) +++ Ecos del Atrato, 5020, in SP at *1050 w/ NA, calls, freqs, campo mx and ads. (Jones, MISS) +++ LV de los Centauros, 5955, in SP at 1056 w/ usual latin format. (Jones, MISS)

CONGO RTVC, 15190 in FR at 1931 w/ ID and nx; good to excellent. (Jones, MISS)

DOM REP R. Hit Musical, 3385, TENTATIVELY noted in SP at 1020 w/ many ads and annmnts for Santo Domingo, but no clear IDs. (Aaron Haywarren, MAN) +++ R. Norte, 4787, in SP 2100-0200+; now regular w/ LA mx, ads and TCs. Many mentions of Dom Rep but few IDs. Slogan appears to be "Este Popular." (Neal Perdue, ALA)

ECUADOR Ondas del Zamora, 4850, in SP 0130-0320; latin and US mx, mentions of Ecuador, and overmodulated IDs and annmnts by M. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Mundial, 4860, TENTATIVELY noted in SP at 0400* w/ mentions of "Republica del Ecuador" and very short NA. Much QRM. (Perdue, ALA w/ tnx to tba); Mundial also noted here 0404-0408* w/ clear ID and short NA to 0408*. Though sure of ID, post-anthem chatter leads me to mark this one tentative. Much QRM. (tba) +++ R. Rio Amazonas, 4870 noted in Indian at *1123; NA, distinctive solo chanting, usually by W. (Jones, MISS); also noted 0030-0300+ most nights in SP w/ variety of mx, including native pieces. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Cent. del Sur, 4890, in SP 0053-0145+ w/ latin and native mx; ID by M at 0145 w/ mention of Loja. (Perdue, ALA) +++ Em. Gran Colombia, 4910, in SP at 0515 w/ LA mx and IDs. Poor modulation. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Federacion, 4960, in SP 0325-0335 w/ slow Ecuadorian ballads, and ID at 0331. Poor in QRM. (Perdue, ALA); Federacion noted here on late on 6 and 8 December in SP from 0400-0430*. M anncr at stan cutting in over live M anncr at some kind of rally, pageant or show. Occasional short campo selections. S/off w/ long ID and long version of Ecuadorian NA. OC to 0433. (tba)

GERMANY WEST DW, 6100, in GM, EG and SP at various times after 0400. (Vollrath, MO)

GUAM KTWR, 15175, in apparent Indo 2207-2259*; mostly mx. S/off was very abrupt. Good at first but poor by s/off. (Frank Herman, ONT)

GALAPAGOS IS. (OUT OF ORDER) LV de Galapagos, 4810, in SP 0110-0230+ w/ wide variety of mx, M anncr and IDs. (Perdue, ALA)

GUATEMALA R. Mam, 4825, in SP at 0200 w/ talks by M on schools and health; marimba mx to 0305* after IS. (Haywarren, MAN) +++ R. Tesulutlan, 4835, in Indian at 1135 w/ marimba mx and many IDs. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Miramundo, 6158, in SP at 1226 w/ TC, ID, marimba mx. Took several weeks to get a definite ID on this. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Nacional, 6180, in SP at 1159 w/ more marimbas, many IDs. Many "TCW" annmnts sprinkled throughout. Pleasant singing ID by women. (Jones, MISS)

GUINEA Rdf Nac, 15309, in FR 2100-2215 w/ FR and verns chants; nx at 2215 after full ID. (Haywarren, MAN)

HONDURAS R. Lux, 4890, in SP at 2350-0044*. M anncr w/ almost hysterical crying speech. Into US pop and rock mx; also Cent Am mx. Two IDs at close. OC to 0053. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Juticalpa, 4780, in SP 1141 w/ ID, TC, ranchera mx, ads. Fading fast, (Jones, ALA) +++ R. San Ysidro, 4844a, in SP 0055-0130. Xmas mx at 0058 after Catholic mass. Full ID by M at 0114. Generally good sigs. Should be fairly regular through Xmas. Operates only on religious holidays and during Xmas season. (Perdue, ALA) *** A fine catch, Neal. TBA*** LV del Junco, 6075, in SP at 1141 w/ ID. Slogan is "La frecuencia del Oro . . ." (Jones, MISS)

INDIA AIR Bombay, 4840, *1229 w/ carrier, IS, s/on in lang by W; then possible EG nx to 1236, and M w/ extended local lang talks past 1247. Fair over FFBS co-channel. (McNeil, DC) +++
AIR GOS, 9525 noted 2200-2230 at excellent level. SE Asia Ser also noted at 2245; poor but audible. (Donnelly, BC).

JAPAN RJ, 15105, w/ EG ID at 2330 and into JP for nx. (Vollrath, MO)

LEBANON V of Lebanon, 6550, from 0800-1815+ w/ AR talks, mx. FR nx at 1400-1430 and 2000-2030; EG nx 1940-2000, but other scheduled EG b'casts not heard. Noted ads in the 1400 FR tx. Prior to 1600 freq is very strong, but it drops badly after that time. Suspect reduced power. There is also another UnID EG speaker using this freq during this period. (Charles Wootten, IZMIR, TURKEY) *** Thanks for the report, Charlie. Good to hear from you. tba

LESOTHO LNBS, 4800, at 0438 w/ highlife and SAfr tribal mx. Lang talk and ID 0441. Good level but vicious UTE QRM. Usually covered. (tba)

LIBERIA ELWA, 4770, TENTATIVELY noted 1740-1805 w/ religious sermon and world nx at 1800. No ID, though. ELWA is the only one that makes sense; earliest 60m logging ever. (Perdue, ALA)

MALDIVES After the last issue went out, I received information which indicates that R. Maldive left 4754 some weeks before last issue's tentative report thereon. According to Victor Goonetilleke in the latest UADX Bulletin, they now appear on 3323 from 1300-1500; remainder of their schedule is as listed in the WRTVH. Oh well . . . keep trying, all. tba

MEXICO R. Mexico, 5985, in SP at 1331 w/ W giving px sked for the day. 1330 s/on ??? (Jones, MISS) +++ LV America Latina, 6165, in SP at 1117 w/ ID, pop mx, and many mentions of "XEW". (Jones, MISS)

MOZAMBIQUE RM, 4867.5, drifting here at 0407 w/ PT mx and lang anncr // 3216. Not Sri Lanka as suggested in Mid-Nov issue. (McNeil, DC)

NICARAGUA Rdf Nacional Nicaragua all over the place!!! Noted on 5945 in SP 0155-0340 w/ possible dedication px. Mentioned many CAM dignitaries; clearly a live px and possibly a stn dedication ceremony. (Greg Ravenhorst, MINN). Also noted here on 5945 w/ SP talks, delightful px of light mx, and nx 0345-0400. On 11 December, moved to 5920 w/ similar px 0300-0400. 5945 now clear. (tba) Also noted on 5010 in SP 0500-0530 on 9 December w/ IDs, slow mx; slight QRM from Surcolombiana. (Dave Gallagher, TX) *** 5010 ??? tba.*** Also noted on 5945 in SP at 1157 w/ strong sigs, but covered by intense OC het. (Jones, MISS) ** Hope they settle someplace soon. tba

NIGERIA RN, 4990, in EG at 2220 w/ ID, TC and native mx. (Jones, MISS)

PAKISTAN Islamabad, 4935, back again w/ Urdu talks 1215-1245*. Also had local mx; strong as last winter. 5060 also in well 1323-1357 w/ lang talks and chanting. (McNeil, DC)

PERU R. Samaren, 4815, in SP at 0324 w/ ID, TC and US & LA easy listening mx. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Victoria, 6020, in SP 1103 w/ ID, TC, and nx. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Tawantinsuyo, 6175, in SP at 1010; W giving ID and freqs; local mx. Just audible under big howl. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Cuzco, 6195, in SP 1032 w/ campo mx, TCs, enthusiastic anncr. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Nac., 9560, in SP 0020-0030; Peruvian mx, ads, and ID. M anncr. Covered by HCJB at 0030. (Perdue, AL)
PHILIPPINES R. Veritas, 11725, in Indo 2300-2325 w/ Beatles and old EG pop mx. ID at 2300 as RVO; gave Djakarta P.O. Box address. B'casts in Viet 2240-2255 and Mandarin after 2330. (Donnelly, BC).

QATAR Doha, 9570, at 1253-1308 w/ ME mx and chants; W anncr in AR. Pips at 1300 and into nx past 1308. Fair in het w/ RNE. (McNeil, DC)

SEYCHELLES FEBA, 11840, 0340-0415; xylophone IS 0340; *0345 and into UnID lang. (Clayton Sherman, NY)

SOMALIA R. Hargeisa, 11645; noted carrier very late at 1820 and heard Somali mx, w/ its usual distinctive style. M anncr between selections; IDed as ". . . wa Radio Hargeisa." Short NA or theme song and cut off directly after. Only UTE remained on freq at 1830 t/out. Sigs were excellent compared with early morning reception in past. This was heard on a Sunday. (Dan Robinson, DC)

SOUTH AFRICA RSA, 11900, in EG at 2310 w/ "DXers Calling". (Vollrath, MO)

SWAZILAND Swazi R., 4980, in EG and lang 0400-0420 w/ R. Truro px. Usual px w/ subcont. mx, ads and EG IDs. (Perdue, ALA) *** has been much better here lately. Good most nights. tba

URUGUAY SODRE, 9515, in EG 0325-0340 asking for reports. (Dan Morriveau, NEB); 9515//11885 in EG 0220-0245; fine level. (John Hasse, IND); SP, 0100-0130 w/ talks and many IDs; great sigs. (Gallagher, TEX)

USA (FLORIDA) WYFR, OKEECHOBEE, now on and noted as follows: 15130, 1830-1850* w/ site ID. *1900 on 11780 w/ site ID. (Dave Walcutt, ILL, Ravenhorst, MINN); 9630 to Eur 2050-2250.

(Hauser, TENN); 11885, SP to Sam, at 0330 w/ site ID on half-hour. (tba) ***Beware!!! the only difference between Okeechobee and Scituate is a slight variation in site ID. tba

UZBEKH SSR Bill McMullen reports that his recent log of Pakistan in a recent LR-B is really Tashkent on its winter freq, 6025, in EG to SAsia at 1200. Px have included lectures on virtues of collective farming . . . ad nauseum. (McMullen, MICH)

VENEZUELA R. Mara AR px reported in last issue is for AR workers in the oil fields. (Perdue, ALA, w/ tnx to Jones, MISS) +++ R. Capital, 4850, well heard in SP 0100-0300 w/ variety of mx singing IDs. (Perdue, ALA)

My sincerest wishes for a happy and bountiful holiday season to all. Special thanks and wishes to those of you who have helped to make the past nine issues such fun for me. Until next time,