

# update

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AFGHANISTAN Kabul, 15365, noted from 1157 w/ ID at 1200 and into AR. Next day heard the EG b'cast at 1131. IDs as R.Afghanistan calling listeners in Eur. Fair level, but some QRM from Morocco. (Andre Pineault, PQ)

ANGOLA R. Nac., Lobito, 4178 noted 2237-2304\* w/ fair to good sigs, mellow rock mx, and calm PT DJ. (Pitt McNeil, DC; tnx to Dan Robinson for use of HQ-180) +++ R. Nac., 7245, at 0406-0500 in PT; ID as "R. Nac. a transmits de Luanda, capital de Angola" at 0430. Bongo mx, and Marxist-Leninist talks filled out the px. (Pineault, PQ)

AUSTRALIA RA noted weakly on 6035 at 2200, 8 November. (Jim Conrad, IOWA) \*\*\* very interesting, Jim. Have heard them on 19 and 25m at this time during past winters, but never this low. Nice digging. tba \*\*\* RA using 11900 at 1505 in EG w/ fine SIO 444 signal; sked here from 1500-1730, so don't assume that what you hear here is RSA. (Glenn Hauser, TENN)

AUSTRIA ORF now using 5960 at 2200 w/ fair sigs till RCI s/on at 2257. (Conrad, IOWA)

BELIZE R. Belize, 3285, in EG at 0216.5 with ads and TC: "16 and one half minutes after eight o'clock. . ." (Jack Jones, MISS)

BOLIVIA R. Riberalta, 4696v regular again usually after 0300, w/ nice folklorico mx +++ R. San Miguel, 3465, noted 2350 during brief Bolivian opening in geo storm of 27 Oct. Pretty mx, Wanner in SP, TC and ID, 2358. +++ R. Padilla also noted 27 Oct on 3482v; local mx w/ the quenás, good sigs at 2346. +++ R. Los Andes, 4775, TENTATIVELY noted from 0309-0319 w/ almost straight SP talks by somber M; short mx interlude. Same format used last year by this stn on this freq. +++ R. Norte, TENTATIVE on 4937v at 0310 w/ Indian lang talks and primitive Amyara songs w/ the quenás (flutes); poor in sloop from 4939. (all from McNeil, DC)

BOTSWANA Gaborones, 4845, at 0348 w/ cowbell/ barnyard sounds IS; s/on at 0359 w/ anthem, ID by W, and apparent prayer. Very good level. (tba)

BRAZIL Rdiff Roraima, 4839a, in PT at 0215-0230 w/ easy listening mx, two M anncrs, and ID w/ mention of Boa Vista. IDs as "Radio Roraima," not Rdiff Roraima. (Neal Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Cl. do Para, 4855, in PT at 0300 w/ ID, ads and annmnts. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Soc. Feira Santana, 4865, in PT at 0144 w/ ID, freqs, and ads. Good. (tba) +++ Rdiff Macapa, 4915, at 0015-45 w/ pop mx, disco tunes and full IDs by M at 0035, 0043 (Perdue, ALA); also noted at 0234, same basic format to 0253\* (tba) +++ Rdiff Taubate, 4925, TENTATIVELY noted at 0310 in PT; long string of samba and guitar mx; tentative ID at 0327. (tba) +++ R. Capixaba, 4935, in PT at 2300 w/ echo annmnts, ID, and latin accordian mx and vocals. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Borborema, 5025, in PT at 0432; three IDs, short musical interlude, then off. (tba) +++ R. Diario de Manha, 9675, at 0922 in PT w/ ID as Diario, TCs, freqs, ads. (Jones, MISS)

CAMEROUN R. Garoua, 5010, in verns at 2100-2200\*; Chants and modern Afr rythms; some Somali type mx; ID by M, 2156. Off w/ anthem and drums 2159. (Perdue, ALA)

CANADA CKZN, 6160, TENTATIVELY noted at 1025 w/ talk, DJ px; no ID heard; fair to poor. (Jones, MISS) +++ RCI goofed on the As It Happens relay on 3 and 4 November. Relay began at usual 2300 but closed at 2400 instead of 0100. (Everything moves w/ time change) Called Sackville, and engineer on duty hadn't heard of change. Still had PT sked at 2400. Things have apparently been corrected though. (Conrad, IOWA)

CHAD Rdiff Nat., 4900.5, ex 4904.5 at 0427 w/ balafon IS, ID on 6 Nov. (McNeil, DC)

CHILE R Univ. Concepcion, 6135, in SP at 1031 w/ ID, and Panorama Informativa px (Jones, MISS); also noted at \*1000 w/ SP ID and brief EG annmnt. (Clayton Sherman, NY) +++ VoFC, 11705, at fine level at both 0130-0230 and 0300-0310. Usual nx, documentary, and propaganda px. (Sherman, NY, Ruth Vollrath, MO)

CHINA PLA, 3400, in CH at 1152 w/ speech by W, //3200. (Jones, MISS) +++ Kunming, 4760, not listed 4759, now regular at 1120+ w/ CH talks, nice local mx; fairly good. (McNeil, DC) +++ Wuhan, 3940, stringent CH talks at 1123; W anncr. (McNeil, DC)

CLANDESTINE V. of Malayan Rev, 7305, regular at \*2158 w/ excellent sigs, two W anncrs; ID: "Inilah Suara Revolusi Malaya;" then anthem, 2 more IDs into Malay mx. +++ Voice of Rev Party for Reunification (based in N.Korea), easiest claud to hear, daily from 1000 on 4120; switches to 4115 at 1030 till f/out at 1215. Korean talks, patriotic mx. +++R. Echo of Hope (S. Korea), 6348, at 0920, in KR, a little mx. Strong. +++ Proletarian Battle Div/ Stn Sparks, (black claud from USSR in CH) on 7170.5 at 1034-44\*; talks mostly, heavily jammed. Back on at \*1058 on 7524; immediatly jammed again, possibly from two sources. (all from McNeil, DC)

COLOMBIA R. Sutatenza, 5075, noted at 0312, 11 Nov; usual px, but 5095 not audible this night. (tba) +++ Emis Nueva Granada, 6160, in SP at 0940 w/ fine sigs now that HCJB has moved back to 6130. (Jones, MISS) \*\*\* Em Nueva Gran. also a consistent good sig at night here. tba

COSTA RICA Faro del Caribe, 5055, in SP at 1152, w/ TC, ID, calls, rel. mx. Could not check 6133 or 6175. (Jones, MISS)

CUBA RHC, 11725, at 0330; EG nx, usual latin mx and propaganda. (Vollrath, MO)

DOM REP R. Clarin, 11700, trial transmissions per RCI DX Digest noted at fine level at 2145 in EG. (Vollrath, MO) +++ R. Mil, 4930, in SP at 2000, three hours before local sunset. Only latin on the band at this time. (Perdue, ALA)

ECUADOR LV de Napo, 3280, in Indian at 1029, w/ messages, ID, mx. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Pastaza, 3315, in SP at 1055 w/ organ mx to 1100. Then "Buenos dias" anncmts and ID by M. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Rio Amazonas, 4870, in SP at 0237 w/ ID, Ecuadorian mx. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Tarqui, 4973+ regular since 27 Oct; on by 1052 w/ pre-s/on mx, usually folklorico. NA at 1057, opening anncmts by DJ, into nx to past 1110. (McNeil, DC) +++ HCJB, 6130, back here from 6160 in EG at 1054. (Jones, MISS)

EGYPT UnID in Mid-Oct issue on 9745 is R. Cairo's SP service to LAm, probably QRMing Baghdad in AR. (Irving Leffler, NY)

GUATEMALA R. Maya, 2360, in SP at 0246 w/ ID, talk, and guitar-vocals. (Jones, MISS)

GUYANA GBS, 3280 NF in EG at 0920 w/ pop mx, TC, ID, local event sked. UTE QRM. (Jones, Miss)

HAITI UnID on 6030 in Mid-Oct issue may be LV du Nord in Creole, a variant of FR. (Leffler, NY)

HONDURAS R. Lux, 4890 in SP at 0220 w/ echo ID, latin pop mx. S/off about 5 minutes later. (Jones, MISS)

INDIA AIR Gen. Overseas Ser, 9525, at 2010. Rarely heard here. (Conrad, IOWA) \*\*\* Jim reports that AIR programming is nearly equally divided between talk and mx, w/ talks in blocks. R. Pak. uses a considerable amount of oriental mx, and much less talk.

KOREA NORTH Pyongyang, 9977, in EG at 2350; ID by female anncr at 0000. Then native mx. Still audible at 0030 recheck. (Pineault, PQ)

LIBERIA ELWA, 4770, in EG at 2246 w/ ID, usual religious px. (Jones, MISS)

MEXICO R. Huaycocotla, 2390, in SP almost every night 0100-0230. Usually has M anncr, plenty of IDs and lots of Mexican mx, heavy on the violins. (Perdue, ALA); also noted at 0205\* w/ anncmt by W, then M w/ ID, freq, and guitar vocal to 0208. (Jones, MISS)

NICARAGUA Odds for hearing R. Nac. on 5945 during local evening are now very small as Moscow uses this freq from 2230-0400. Had difficult time hearing R. Nac. through UTE in Sept., and now w/ Moscow there too, seems that only chance for hearing this will be in morning. (Greg Ravenhorst, MINN) +++ La Lider, 2200, SP TC at 2359; fairly good level; TC interrupted mx, probably to thwart mx pirates. (Hauser, TENN)

NIGERIA NBC Benin City, 4932, at 0440 in lang w/ religious px; fair level. (tba) +++ NBC Enugu, 4990, in EG at 0520 w/ local mx and talks. Fair. (Steve Wallace, PA)

PAKISTAN UnID on 9465 in Nov issue is Pakistan. Jim Conrad monitored freq from 1830-2000, and noted both RPak's address and a full ID; Irv Leffler also wrote to say this was RPak. +++ Islamabad, 4060, in Urdu 0059-0140 w/ pips at 0100, local ID, nx by W, then speech by M and chanting. (McNeil, DC, w/ tnx to Robinson for use of SPR-4)

PERU R. America, 3240, TENTATIVELY noted in SP at 1045 w/ yippy native mx, talks by M. Bad het. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Atlantida, 4790, in SP at 2345-0000 w/ Andean mx, two clear IDs. Earliest evening logging of a Peruvian for me yet. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. San Juan, 4892, regular after 0400 w/ campo mx, DJ, frequent TCs; also noted at \*1020 w/ NA, clear ID. (McNeil, DC) +++ R. Andahuaylas, 4840+ at 0210-0300\*. Charango mx, and DJ in after every tune. S/off w/ ID and NA. (McNeil, DC) +++ R. Andina, 4995.5, in SP at 0600; Andean, mx, ID and talks by M. (Wallace, PA) +++ R. Nac., 6082, at 0955 in SP w/ nice local mx, but QRM from DW (Carib.) on 6085. Otherwise good. (Jones, MISS)

SAO TOME R. Nacional, 4806.5, in PT at 0540; soft talks by W local flute, xylophone mx; ID by M at 0600. Fady but readable. (Wallace, PA)

SIERRA LEONE SLBS, Freetown, 3316, in EG at 2315-2330+; W w/ full ID piano mx, and religious px at 2320 (Sunday). (Perdue, ALA)

SOMALIA R. Hargeisa, 11645, in lang, 1300-1340; talk by W to 1315, then talk by M and distinctive Somali mx. Seems to run past sked 1300\* on many Sundays; best around 1315. (Perdue, AL)

SOUTH AFRICA RSA, 11900, 2230-2340, w/ EG to NAM; usual px and DXers Calling at 2310. Also noted at 2145 on 15155. (Vollrath, MO)

SRI LANKA Irv Leffler writes to say that the UnID on 4869 in Nov issue is probably SLBC on 4870- in Sinhala. Usual s/off for this is 0300 but Irv suspects they ran late that night.

SURINAM SRS now apparently using 4850 after 2200 w/ usual px, nothing on 4779 at that time. Lately had not been on either freq. (McNeil, DC) also noted on 4850 from 2150-2345; listened for an hour, then got ID; apparent move from 4780. At 2230, short talks interspersed w/ Death March. (Perdue, ALA) \*\*\* wonder if 2230 px is radio obituary column ??? tba

UKOGBANI BBC, 3975, at 0347 in GM; ID at 0445. Fair. (Wallace, PA)

UNIDENTIFIED On 5025 at 1300: M chanting in AR or similar lang; W DJ playing marches. Help? (Charles George, TEX) \*\*\* could this be Uganda??? tba

VENEZUELA R. Occidente, 3225 in SP at 1033. ID, freqs and calls; probably 1030 s/on. Bad QRM. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Sucre, 4957, down from nominal 4960. (tba) out of space --73s,

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