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AFGHANISTAN Kabul, 15365, noted 8 Oct w/ local mx at 1120 to no less than 4 IDs by W in EG at 1130. Then ID by M and into EG nx and comment. ID: This is R. Afghanistan coming to you on "15.365 kHz in the 19 mb." (Hadley Cress, VA, HIC 162)***tnx for sharing your tape of this w/ me. Enjoyed our chat very much. tba

ARGENTINA R. Nacional, 6060, in SP at 0931 w/ ID by W, into "distoceco en tango"px. Fair to good. (Jack Jones, MISS)

BOLIVIA La Cruz del Sur, 4875, at 0942 in SP w/ ID, freqs, stn info ". . . en la palabra del Dios . . ."; het from possible Ecos del Combeima, which usually is dominant. (Jones, MISS)

BRAZIL R.Cl. do Para, 4855, at 0330-0400 in PT w/ non-stop, nauseating disco mx, occasional breaks for ads and IDs which are often sandwiched in at the beginning of a record; fair to good. (tba) +++ Rdiff Taubate noted on 4925.2 after 2300, IDs at the half hour. R. Tapuyo, 3295 w/ good sigs, mostly pop and rock mx, one ID, from 0035-0200+. UnID stn on 3265 from 0030-0115 w/ mostly rock mx, PT DJ annmcs, ID at hour ending w/ "...ah"; suspect Cultura. On 3245 one of the 3 listed Brazillians heard from 2230-2315 fade out, mostly romantic songs, PT DJ, bank ads but no clear ID. (all from Pitt McNeil, DC) +++R. Capixaba, 4935, from 2325-2340+ in PT w/ singing jingles, accordian and LA mx, overmodulated IDs. Best ever! (Neal Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Globo, 6035, in PT at 0935 w/ ID, TC, many ads and talks. Fair to good. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Guaiba, 11785, at 0247 in PT w/ possible phone-in talk show; quick ID. (tba) +++ R. Soc. de Bahia TENTATIVELY noted on 11875 w/ happy guitar mx, into brief classical segment at 0255, then chimes and Brazillian nat. anthem at 0259. ID presumed. (tba)

CHILE R. Nacional, 6195, at 1000 in SP w/ ID and possible nx; fair. (Jones, MISS).

CLANDESTINE R. Espana Independiente still noted on 15365 from 1230-1255* in bad het w/ Afghanistan; pro-communist talks in SP, bits of SP mx, abrupt s/off. (McNeil, DC)

COLOMBIA La Voz del Norte, 4875, apparent new stn, noted after SABC s/off at 0427 in SP. Many full IDs giving MW/SW/FM calls; SW is apparently HJBV. QTH is Cucuta, Santander del Norte. (Bob McCoy, NEB) *** also noted at 2330-0300+, same freq, w/ IDs on half hour giving full info on MW/SW/FM outlets. (McNeil, DC, w/ tnx to Perry). +++ R. Cinco, 5040, in SP at 0913 w/ ID, pop mx, TCs; fair to good. (Jones, MISS)

CONGO Brazzaville has returned to 15190 w/ usual px from 1900-0100. Had been missing for some time. (Cress, VA)

COSTA RICA TIFC noted on NEW 5055, in SP from 0200-0300, then into EG after full ID w/ freqs (but not mentioning this one) and phone number to call. Usually good sig. (McNeil, DC) +++ R. Casino, 5955, at 1029 in SP w/ ID "...en Casino..." and ranchera mx. Fair. (Jones, MISS)

DOMINICAN REP. R. Norte reactivated on 5 October on 4808v w/ big signal, dedications in SP at 0045+, big ID w/ slogans at 0100, 0103 (McNeil, DC) +++ R. Mil, 4930, reactivated and noted from 0100-0130+ booming in w/ lively LA mx, ballads, M annor, ads and IDs. (Perdue, AL)***also noted w/ same big signal at 2218; many IDs. (McNeil, DC) *** Pitt reports that this has been off since July 1976. tba

ECUADOR Neal Perdue sends two logs of R. Pastaza, TENTATIVELY noted several times on 3315 from 0350-0406v* w/ light Andean mx, mentions of Ecuador, ID, anthem and off. 90% sure of Pastaza ID. Erroneously reported on 3310 in Sept DSWCL. (Perdue, Ala) +++ R. Tropical, 3340, in SP from 0325-0400* w/ M annor, LA mx, US pops, short annmcs, ID and off w/o anthem. Fair. (Perdue, ALA) +++ R. Luz y Vida, 4830, in SP at 0749* w/ TC, freq, ID, short musical theme; carrier off 0751 1/2. Reloj not on. (Jones, MISS) +++ R. Cent. del Sur, 4890, in SP at 0502* w/ ID, freqs, few bars of anthem and off. Fair to good. (Jones, MISS)

GUAM KTRW, 9640, w/ EG ID at 1130 and into Mandarin. QRM from R. Australia at 1200. (John Hoogerheide, KY) +++ also noted on 15155 from 2247-2259* w/ old gospel hits, EG IDs and off w/o fanfare. (McNeil, DC)***noted during same period by Hadley Cress, VA, who gives freq as 15115. My sked indicates 15155, so we ought to have some rechecks on this to confirm the correct freq. tba. (both frequencies are correct, operating in parallel, Mayer)

GUATEMALA R. Cultural, 5955, in SP at 0431, w/ ID, "Musica en meditacion"px. (Jones, MISS)

INDONESIA RRI, Jakarta, 7070, w/ decent signals 1043-1053; Indo pops, M in IN annncing. RRI, Manado, 5987, at 1039 w/ MoR Indo songs, W annor fair level. RRI Fak-Fak, 4789.5, is back, noted after Atlantida fade out from 1135-1150 w/ string mx, local choral mx, IN annmcs, weak level while Sorong is strong at same time on 4875. (aal from Pitt McNeil, DC)

IRAN R. Iran's (NIRT) EG transmission from 2000-2030 has abruptly disappeared from 9022 and 15084, despite continuing observation. (Cress, VA)

MADAGASCAR R. Madagasikara, 3291, at *0258 w/ anthem and talks by W. Fair signal but faded by 0315. Interesting local vocals in the meantime. (Hoogerheide, KY)

MALDIVES BBCMS reports that R. Maldives will broadcast a test px on 4754 from 0500-0600, 1100-1200 and 1730-1830 for a two month period beginning 10 Sept. They report that the monitored 1730 px consisted primarily of mx w/ EG anncmts. (BBCMS)

NETHERLANDS Theo Donnelly, nx director at CJVB, Vancouver, BC, reports that RN's transmission at 1640 was set up as a news feed for CJVB, but that it has been discontinued as a part of RN's financial cutbacks. The transmissions on 15190 and 17825 were from Bonaire, not Lopik, but the SSB freq used from Lopik to Bonaire is unknown to him. +++Greg Ravenhorst reports a profitable "on-site inspection" of RN's Dutch facilities. He reports that RN will QSL its feeders, which originate from Kootwyk (sp???) , about 40 mi. east of Hilversum. Three of the four Lopik 100 KW transmitters are working "like gangbusters" but the fourth is off line for overhaul. 9895 is used from 0930-1050 and 1230-1830 only because a French b'caster "complains of considerable QRM at that time." Despite program cuts, money has been allocated for a new tx site in Holland for completion w/in 6 yrs.; two 300 KW transmitters are planned. This from an anonymous source. ***very interesting. Tnx, gentlemen. tba

NIGERIA RN, 4990, at 0450 in EG w/ Christian rel. px, then TC, ID, and into Koran reading in possible AR. Fair to good. (Jones, MISS)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA R. Morobe, 3220, in Pidgin at 1145-1215 w/ S. Sea mx. Weak but steady. +++ R. No. Solomons, Bougainville, 3322, at 1130-1215 w/ C&W and local mx; good level. +++ R. New Ireland, 2420 (???) , 1115-1130, w/ W in Pidgin and S. Sea mx. +++ R. Madang, 3260, 1130-1145, w/ M in Pidgin and local mx. +++ R. Manus, 3905, 1145-1200, w/ M in Pidgin, C&W mx. +++ R. So. Highlands, 3275, 1200-1220, w/ M anncr, R&R mx. (all from Hoogerheide, KY) *** all but the first two of these were heard on 20 Sept, which John describes as the best PNG morning ever. I cannot but agree, but would sure have liked to have seen some more px details on these. tba.

PERU R. Atlantida, 4790, in SP at 0456; echo ID as "transmite R. Atlantida ...", then pop mx. +++ R. El Sol, 5970, at 1029 in SP, w/ folklorico mx, W anncr w/ pleasing husky voice. To quote Jack, bet she's as cute as a young puppy in a red wagon!!! Superb signal. +++ R. Pan-americana, 5980 in SP at 0538 w/ ID, pop mx, and some US R&R mx. Good sig. +++ R. Victoria, 6020, in SP at 1035, w/ US pops, TC. Another big signal. +++ R. Tawantisuyo, 6175, in SP at 1006 w/ clear ID by W, folklorico mx, intermittent talk by M. Some ads; weak signal w/ het. (all from Jones, MISS)

SARAWAK R. Malaysia Sarawak, 4950, w/ EG talks by W 1210-1220. Poor level at best. (tba)

SEYCHELLES FEBA, 15325, at *1225 in EG and lang. IS, then M w/ ID as "This is F-E-B-A, Seychelles" and into lang religious px. Good level. (Perdue, ALA)

SRI LANKA SLBC noted w/ good signals, but lots of polar flutter on 9720 at 0113 w/ dedication px and pop mx; Back to the Bible at 0130. (McNeil, DC, w/ tnx to editor Dan Robinson)

TANZANIA RT, 9750, noted 1415-1440+ in EG w/ Afr. rythms, ID by M: "External Service of RT;" then light R&R mx to ID at 1428 and world mx. Then more mx of assorted types. (Perdue, ALA)

UNIDENTIFIED An intriguing, possibly // UnID has appeared on 6095 and 9745. Both show unusual chanting, often in major key, some interruptions for talks in AR by one or two M. Often audible after 0300, but 9745 is QRMed by a SP speaker most nights. Iraq??? (tba) +++ CH station on 15198.5 from 2340-0026*, talks mostly, mentioning Mao a lot. Poor signal. +++UnID also on 6030 after AFRTS s/off, noted at 1130-1150 w/ LA-ish mx, badly accented FR anncrs. (last two from McNeil, DC)

USSR Vladivostok, 5015, at 1210-1230 in RS w/ HS px; usual talks by M and W, which kept cutting into Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto. Good sigs; my first log of this this season. (tba) +++ Tbilisi II (Georgian SSR) noted on 5040 clear channel 0215-0307, 3 Oct. Georgian talks by M and W, M ID for Tbilisi at 0217 then into wake up piano exercise px hosted by W. Clasical mx at 0237 w/ M anncr. Cathedral bells style IS at 0300. Fair to good. (McNeil, DC) +++ Vinnitsa (???) , 5940, in RS at 0228 w/ piano exercise lady; short anncmt by W at 0230 then W chorus. Fair to good. (Jones, MISS) +++ Vinnitsa (???) also noted here w/ piano exercise lady at 0315 on 5940; good sigs (tba) +++ cf. Oct. DXH: Alma Alta regular, though weak on 5035 after CAE s/off at 2301 w/ Moscow px in Peking dialect to PRC. 2330 has R. P&P IS, into their more stringent CH px. Letter from Mrs. S. says I did hear their px but didn't supply any px details. (Sent a f/d report.) Just sent her another one. (McNeil, DC) ***good luck, Pitt. (tba)

VENEZUELA R. Mil Cuarenta, 6010, in SP at 1043 w/ string of ads, ID and US R&R. Very good. +++ R. Nacional, 6170, at 1002 in SP w/ ID, calls, TC and into light mx. Probably S/on. Selva not on. Fair. (both from Jones, MISS)

VIETNAM Hanoi, 4945-, first time this season at 1141, 4 October, w/ VT talks by W; fair to poor. (McNeil, DC)

YEMEN Sana'a, 4852.8, at 2110-2114* back on regular sked now that Ramadan is over, s/off w/ anthem. (McNeil, DC)

TWO LATE ARRIVALS FROM GLENN HAUSER, TN: ISRAEL noted at 1400 on 25605 RCSSB in Yiddish. Jam ming here prior to Israel sign on but gone by 1400.++++ BELGIUM At the request of the ANARC Freq Review Committee, ORF now on 6080 at 0015 and 9675 for SAM beam. 73s-Tom