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ALBANIA Gjirokaster, 5057, in lang many nights after 0400 w/ usual format of Balkan folk mx. (tba)

ANDORRA RA, 6215, in FR 0802-46; W anncr w/ mixed FR/EG rock and pop mx show. W in between each song. Unbelievably clear and strong. Apparently *0800 as 0730 check showed nothing. (Moritz, OH 1-1)---AWR in FR on 6215 and into EG 1930. "V. of Prophecy" some SSB QRM, improving sig at local sunset. Requested rpts to London and Lisbon QTHs. (Roly Desrosiers, MA 12-24)---AWR noted to 2100* w/ V of Hope IDs by M; test tx via RAndorra, requested reports. Xmas mx. (Brett Sayolr, PA)---AWR at 2000 in EG; religious pgm, Xmas carols, IDs. (D. Moore, PA HIC 180)---AWR, 2040-59* in EG; poor sig, religious mx, ID, requested reports. (Braga, MA 12-27)

AUSTRALIA VLW 6 Perth, 6140, in EG 1050; church service. (Stu Klein, FL)

AUSTRIA ORF, 5945, in SP 2230; multi-lingual ID and into SP nx. (Chris Leithner, TN 12-25)

BANGLADESH RB, 15285, in EG *1230-50; ID by W for GOS, nx and mx. (Terry Krueger, FL 12-22)

BELGIUM BRT, 11700, in EG 2255; DX pgm in EG during lang pgm. Good 12-23 but poorly modulated. Regular EG pgm 0015-0100. A move from 11715 to escape RCI 11710. (Bob Zilmer, WI)

BOLIVIA La Cruz del Sur, 4875, at 0005; both Colombians off this day. Religious talks by M, several IDs. (Klein, FL)+++ R. Progreso, 6005, in SP/Ind. 1000; ID for 0600 local, "programa el centro campesino tupacatari." QRM from RCI. Reloj on at 1023 this day. (Jack Jones, MS 12-20)

BRAZIL Lins R. Clube, 3205, in PT 0105; M anncr w/ ID, TC, pops. Just off an UTE and poor as a result. (Klein, FL)+++ R. Tamandare, 3265, tentative in PT 2353-0005; dinner hour vocals, M anncr w/ ID 2359 which sounded like this, but not 100% sure. Banjo tune and a Rick Nelson oldie. Almost fair. (Moritz, OH 12-30)+++R. Bare, 4895, in PT 0205; sort of disco/marching mx, if you can imagine that. Singing "Bare, Bare, Bare" jingle. Not as good as AMs. (Neal Perdue AL)+++R. Relogio Federal, 4905, in PT 0015; M anncr w/ extended talk, local mx. (Klein, FL)+++R. Borborema, 5025, in PT 0417; usual format to 0428 when "Brazil R. Colosal (sp?), R. Borborema." Then off. Beware of this ID. (tba)+++R. Aparecida, 5035, in PT 0005; M anncr w/ full ID, calls, freqs, ads and station hype. Local pops. (Klein, FL)

BULGARIA R. Sofia, 9530, in EG 2130; nx and very good DX pgm. Good. (Zilmer, WI 12-23)

CANARY IS. REE, 15365, in SP 2105; SP classical mx, poor sigs made it less enjoyable. M&W anncrs. IDed as being to Americas. (Desrosiers, MA 1-1)

CHINA RP, 4883a, in CH *1200; IS, M&W anncrs w/ ID, talks. (Klein, FL 12-21)+++Peking 1, 4905, in CH 2249-2301* over the Brazilian. M&W anncrs, pips 2300, W again and plug pulled. (Moritz, OH 12-30)+++PBS Guangxi (list), 4915, tentative in CH 1240-1300; instrumental mx of other countries, including "La Cucuracha" (No!?! tba) w/ short anncts by W. Time pips 1300. (Henry Lazarus, LA 1-1)+++ PBS Hunan (list), 4990, tentative 1249-1323 in CH; CH instrumental and opera mx w/ anncmts in CH by M&W. No special anncmt or pips at 1300. (Lazarus, LA 1-1)+++FFBS, 9540, tentative, in CH *1000; tonal IS, W anncr w/ talk, NA, long harangue and CH opera like mx. Freq per Int B'casting Journal #1 and formal matches them. (Klein, FL)+++ Qianghai, 6255, in CH 2328-2342; still hanging in there w/ W anncr between very pretty oriental orchestra selections. Going fast and lost completely 2342. (Moritz, OH 12-30)+++RP, 7470, in EG 2030. Usual stuff, unusual time. (Jim Conrad, IA)+++RP, 9965, in poss RS 0025; IS into pgm at 0030. Good. (Braga, MA 1-1)

CLANDESTINE Voice of Hope, 6348, presumed the one 1115-41 w/ women singing light tunes, almost pops in nature. W anncr between. M w/ talk 1133 to tune out. (Moritz, OH 1-5)+++Voice of the Egyptian People, 9730, *1900-2002*. OC, march and M ID, "Sowt ash-Sha'b al-Misri," anti Begin/Sadat nx in AR and AR mx. Very good w/ slight co-channel from RBI. Would guess site as S. Yemen or Libya. (Krueger, FL 12-28)+++Suspect the latter, or possibly Syria. tba

COLOMBIA LV de Maria, 4775, in SP 0058-0135; light instrumental mx and M anncr talking over at t/in, then mention Colombiana, and into very nice cumbia, then cumbion, very fast and uptempo, ID 0115 as Voz de Maria. More cumbias and nx 0130. (Moritz, OH 12-19)--- Em Kennedy, 4775, in SP 0632-40; LA mx w/ accordians, clear ID 0638, more accordian mx. (Perdue, AL)+++Must have been a special New Years Eve tx. Usual s/off 0400. tba+++Em Kennedy in SP *1054; M anncr, s/on ID, anncmts instrumental NA, EzL LA mx. Ute on low side. (Klein, FL)+++Em Kennedy and LV del Maria are one and the same, if memory serves. tba+++ R. Surcolombiana, 5010, in SP 0405-0500+ tentative; lively IA mx, mentions of Caracol, M&W anncrs, mention Clombianos, possible ID 0452. Weak and poor audio. (Perdue, AL)+++ LV de Yopal, 5051, in SP 1025; very good w/ SP nx, several IDs, including one inexplicable one for LV del Llano, which was on 6115 w/ totally dissimilar pgm. No QRM till 1045 het. (Jerry Berg, MA 12-22)---LV de Yopal, 5051a, in SP 1022; continuous mx from 1022 to 1035, loud ID and slogans. "La Voz de Yopal, una emisora _____, La Voz de Yopal, la emisora _____." Unable to read entirely. Venezuelan not on. (Jones, MS 1-3)

CONGO RTVC Pointe Noire, 4843, 0525-0550; presumed site w/ M ID "Ici la Voix de la Rev. Congolaise, Brazzavile," highlife singing and M DJ. Blocked by Mauritania OC 0550. (Krueger, FL1224)---Pointe

- Noire, 4843, at 0505; M anncr, nx from Brazzaville, several RTVC IDs. Tnx Krueger. (Klein FL)
- COSTA RICA R. Nueva Victoria, 6082, in SP 0106; ID, "Transmite R. Victoria," and mx. (Jones, MS 12-28)
- CZECHOSLOVAKIA Prague, 6055, in FR, 0627; ID, pgm of classical and EzL mx. Very good. (Leithner, TN 12-23)---Prague, 21615, in EG 1530. Poor sigs. (Zilmer WI 12-23)
- ECUADOR R. Melodia, 3375, in SP 0045; strange moaning chanting mx, M anncr w/ tx fading in and out. Did catch ID 0055. Tnx Alleman. (Klein, FL)+++LV de los Caras, 4795, in SP 0020; pop mx, M anncr w/ ID, TC, station hype. UTE on high side. (Klein, FL)+++LV de Saquisili, 4900a, in SP 1058; ID, TC after several minutes of Ecuadorian mx. Short choral version of NA 1100, and more mx. Freq not exactly 4900. Juventud not there. (Jones, MS 12-26)+++HCJB, 15120, in EG 0230; DX Party Line. Poor sigs on 12-23 w/ R. Peking on same freq. (Zilmer, WI)
- EQ. GUINEA R. Ecuatorial, 4926, in SP 0430; M anncr, nx, talk, ID and then non-stop Afr mx. (Charles George, TX)
- **ESTONIA Tallinn, 6085, presumed and nearly certain it was them 1845-2025. First time they've ever yielded a decent logging. Light orchestral mx 1845-1850, talk to 1900, classical mx 1900-1935, lighter pops to 2000. Had ID w/ fast clock ticks and mx box at 2000, but couldn't get it. Nx and more classical mx to 2025 when drowned by Holland. Not bad and was generally dominant on freq. (Berg, MA 12-25)***UHN lists this as a domestic service. tba
- **FALKLAND IS. FIBS, 2370, in EG 0112-0130*. BBC world nx, Radio Nxeel to 0128 when W w/ "You are listening to the Falkland Is. Broadcasting Station. Pgm sked, TC, "The Falkland Islands B'casting Station is closing down." GSTQ. Heard at an incredible s9+10db. (Perdue, AL 12-29)***Neal played a tape of this for me over the phone. It was crystal clear, and very loud. Somethng to be treasured, I think. tba ***FIBS, 2370, per tip from Perdue, 0030 f/in-0130* 30 Dec. When first heard barely audible but improved to 0050 and in well by 0100. Saturday Night pgm w/ apparent review of top pops for 1979. IDed "I Will Survive," "With a Little Love," "Grease," "Enough is Enough," and "When You're in Love with a Beautiful Woman." ID by DJ 0128, short talk and off w/ GSTQ. The high point of my DX career. (tba)---FIBS 0056-0130* 31 Dec. ID by W 0059, BBC nx, stock report, Nx About Britain. Barely audible by 0115 but BBC material continued to 0128. W again, faint partial ID, GSTQ and gone. (John Fisher, MA)***John, assume your date is local 31 Dec (Monday) rather than 31 Dec GMT (Sunday). tba***FIBS, 0128 3 Jan; ID and GSTQ. Just fell across it. (Gerry Bishop, PA)---FIBS 0045-0130*; mx request pgm, financial report, nx about Britain, Radio Newsreel, closing anncmts, and three clear IDs. 12-29. Also heard 12-30 w/ "Saturday Night" w/ Patrick Wolfe. (Mike Salay, OH)---FIBS 0125 12-29; Radio Newsreel, ID, s/off anncmts. Was able to make abt 70% of total copy. Very exciting. (Saylor, PA)---(And finally---tba) FIBA 0038-0108 first with a play or drama then into mx pgm, apparently a countdown of year's biggest hits. Got "Knock on Wood (disco)," "With a Little Love," "Grease," and "Freak Out." Not too bad. (Moritz, OH 12-30)***I was completely amazed by the flood of these loggings. 12-29 and 30 were undoubtedly the best nights ever for this one. As Neal Perdue said in his report, "This used to be DX!" tba
- GUYANA GBS, 5950, in EG 1014; local and world nx. (Jones, MS 12-30)
- GABON RTVG, 4777, in lang 0510; local highlife mx, M anncr w/ ID and talk. (Klein, FL)
- GERMANY (DEM REP) RBI, 21465, in EG 1400; nx comment, mailbag, mx, freq and time schedule to 1443*. Good. (Zilmer, WI 12-23)
- GERMANY (FED REP) DW Asian Ser, 11850, in EG 0950 t/in; excellent sigs, nx, feature, mx. Story on Kampuchean refugees. Excellent for those who want more than the short DW pgm to Nam. (Conrad)
- **GREENLAND Godthab, 3999, in lang 1025; Xmas mx and talks // to better 5988. Latter was still in at 1130. (Berg, MA 12-25)---Godthab tentative on 5988 at *1015 29 Dec. Celeste IS, ID by W, anthem. Mayak QRM made reception difficult. (Saylor, PA)
- GRENADA RFG, 15045, in EG 2135; EzL pops, "Soul Search" pgm for young people, Texas QTH for usual "free deals." ID and local anncmts concerning island happenings--"a meeting of calypso musicians at the cultural museum, all are urged to attend as the last meeting was poorly attended." BBC Sports Call and nx. (Desrosiers, MA)***I'll be there. tba
- **GUINEA-BISSAU Rdf Nacional, 5040.4, in PT *0600-0700; reactivated w/ drum I9, ID per WRTH 0603, march, second ID and into nonstop haunting highlife mx. (Krueger, FL 12-26, 12-27)
- **HAITI 4VEH, 11835, in SP 2000; still on with usual format. (Conrad, IA)
- HONDURAS HRVC, 4820, in EG 0320; usual religious format, ID. (Braga, MA 12-28)
- JAPAN NSB, 9595, in EG 1541; pop mx, ads, "Tokyo Forum," all good. (Leithner, TN 12-22)
- KAMPUCHEA Phnom Penh, 11938, in EG *1200; not as strong as 9694. (Berg, MA)
- **LAOS Oudom Xay, 6907, in lang 1125-1220; Tentative. Soft Asian M&W, vocals and chantlike songs. No IDs and verying 6906-10. Help! (Krueger, FL)+++Savannakhet believed the one on 7384 at 1145. Talk by W, Asian mx. Seven chimes on bell on hour, pips. Chimes correspond to GMT+7, I think the time for this one. (Saylor, PA)***More checks on both needed. tba
- LEBANON Volebanon, 6550, 0439-0537; half hour of Xmas tunes, then W talking over light mx. M&W after 0515, probably nx. AR vocals by W 0530. (Moritz OH 12-24)---VoL also noted 0450 same night with the Xmas format noted above. (Saylor, PA)
- MALI Bamako, 11860, at 0845; local mx to hour, M anncr w/ New Years message, possibly on only for this day. (Klein FL 1-1)
- **NEPAL R. Nepal, 3425, tentative in lang 1210; accordian mx, opera mx, talks by M&W. Hope it was them. (Saylor, PA 12-29)---RN 1223-1249 w/ M in lang, talk to 1234 fulte lead-in to subcont type vocal by M. Annrcr back 1239, and another selection w/ flute. (Moritz, OH 12-30)
- NEW ZEALAND RNZ, 11945, in EG 0800; EzL mx, good sig but heavy QRM. (Braga, MA 1-2)
- **NICARAGUA R. Zinica, 6120, *1223 12-30; QTH Bluefields. Continually excellent. NA patriotic song at s/on, ID, studio annct, TCs 3 min. fast. "Musica Ranchera" pgm after s/on. (Berg, MA)--- Zinica also noted *1130 12-23; Xmas mx, M DJ, long ID: This is R vica, breaking to the historic

march of the coast people towards our brothers of the Pacific. Greeting you on the international band of 49 meters." (D. Moore, 12-23)---Zinica 1250-1445; mx folklorica nacional, taped EG ID 1338. Claimed to be affiliated w/ Popular Sandinista Front. (Krueger, FL 12-28)---Zinica at 1130 w/ Xmas songs, SP and EG IDs, TCs, freq, slogans, M&W annrcs: (Jones, MS 12-21)---Zinica *1200 w/ Sandinista NZ, partriotic mx, muddy mod. (Saylor, PA)---Zinica 1159-1223 per Jones tip. Xmas mx and wishes and ID by W. More Xmas tunes. (Moritz, OH 12-22)

NIGER Niamey, 5020, at 0620 w/ the Niger disco pgm. I kid you not. (Klein, FL)---Niamey tentative 0640-50; flute and drum mx. No talk. Sort of like mideast movies. (Perdue, AL)

NIGERIA Enugu, 6025, in EG 2302-2311*; M w/ nx and mentions of Nigeria. NA and off. (Moritz 1-5)

NORTH KOREA KCBS, 9977, in EG 0035-50*; disgusting diatribe praising Kim il Sung. Annnced as to "Our friends in the Americas." Extremely powerful. Haven't bothered with this one in about three years and now I can see why. Ugh! Closing ID as KCBS. (Moritz, OH 1-3)

PAKISTAN RP, 17641.5, in EG 1650-54; EG nx during lang pgm. Poor 12-24. // 21605 which was very poor under UTE. (Zilmer, WI)

PNG R.W. New Britain, 2340, in PD 1250; pops and talks. Better than 2468 below. (Moritz, 12-22)

+++ R. Northern Dist., 2468, in PD 1244-50; nice choral type tunes, M annrc and more tunes. (Moritz, OH 12-22)

PERU Ondas del Titicaca, 4921a, in SP 1016-33; in the noise. M in prob SP, nice guitar huayno, more talk, W w/ nice rustic campo vocal, annrc cutting in often. SP 1D 1026. First time for this. (Moritz, OH 1-2)+++R. Tropical, 4935, in SP 0330; ad, TC, 2d ad, latin pops. (tba)+++R. Esmeraldas, 5300, in SP *1009; huayno, ID 1013, including date, TCs. Finally. Fades quickly. (Berg, MA 12-22)+++ R. Victoria, 6020, in SP 1039; mx, ads, ID. Freq maybe 6021. (Jones, MS 1-3)

PHILIPPINES R. Veritas Asia, 9605, in EG 1530; ID, freq by W, religious pgm. (Leithner, TN 12-22)

PIRATE WDAB (WBAB?), 3860, in full DSB and EG 0930; rock mx, freq, IDs, M&W voices, nx 0955, and call from Holley, MI 0959. (Conrad, IA)+++FRBC, 6249, in EG 0900; fair at times, pop mx, multi-lang IDs, requested letters Xmas greetings, QTH, and freq. (Berg, MA 12-23)

RWANDA Rdf Rwanda, 6055, in FR 2053; highlife mx, ID by M. 2159*. (Moore, PA 12-30)

SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, 4980, in AR on USB 2130; //5253 USB and 15060 AM. Nx. (Berg, MA 12-29)

SENEGAL Dakar, 4890, in lang 0635; W w/ spiel on gov't good doings in 1979 and plans for 1980. (Klein, FL)

SOUTH AFRICA RSA, 17770, in EG 0250; to NAM replacing 17780 which was QRMed by VOA co-channel. // 11900, 15155, 15220 all in well, too. (Zilmer, WI 1-3)

SWAZILAND TWR, 3200, in lang 0329-0338; M talk, and Afr singing 0333, w/ horrible het. First time heard. (Moritz, OH 1-5)***This opens at 0300 and is ex-3240, by my observation. tba

SWEDEN RS, 15275, in EG 2330-30 and Swedish 2330-0000; heard poor to fair signal // 11705 and replacing 9695. Chnage recommended by ANARC-FRC. 9695 had RFE-RL and jammer QRM from 2300-2320a*. Effective 12-21-79. (Zilmer, WI)

TANZANIA RT, 4785, in Swahili 0400-0411; pips and ID be M as "R. Tanzania, Dar es Salaam." Then into presumed nx. Mixing with the Russian. (Moritz, OH 12-23)

TOGO Lome, 5047, in FR 0630; must be jealous of Gjrokaster--in w/ exercise class today. (Klein)

**TURKEY Turkish St. Meterological Serv., 6900, in Turkish 0505-14; distinct local tunes, group singing w/ M in front. Presumed as no annrcs heard. (Moritz, OH)

**URUGUAY SODRE, 11885, in SP 2330; ID for int'l ser, guitar mx, occasional annrcs. Closing 0000* I think. Good but badly jammed. (Berg, MA 12-29)

USSR Petrozavodsk, 4780, in RS 0600; the man mayak and the lady mayak giving the mayak version of the mayak nx. (Klein, FL)+++Baku, 4785, in RS 0455; M annrc, pips, organ IS, Mockba ID. (Klein)

---Baku also noted 0510 w/ usual home service nx. (Saylor, PA 12-26)+++Tyumen, 4895, presumed in RS 0242-59; M&W annrcs hosting a mix of mx, from vocals to instrumentals and group vocals of an orch/operatic nature. Poor w/ bad het. (Moritz, OH 12-17)+++Baku, 4958, in RS 0336-45; M w/ talk, instrumental selection and M&W alternating. (Moritz, OH 12-17)+++Yerevan, 4990, in RS 0505; nx mixing w/ Lagos. (Klein, FL)+++Arkhangelsk, 5015, in RS 0200-25; ending chimes, W talking to 0206, and light mx to t/out. (Moritz, OH 12-17)---Arkhangelsk tentative 2120 w/ classical mx, annrcs by M. (Moore, PA 12-30)+++Petrozavodsk, 5065, in RS 0701 tentative; nx by M. (Moore, PA 12-23)---Petrozavodsk 0228-35 w/ piano and M talk in between, possibly exercise pgm. Fnded 0230, then W and classical mx. (Moritz, OH 12-17)+++RS on 5960 in AMs is probably Alma Ata as seems // 5260, but IS at 1130 does not match WRTH or my earlier tape of them. Sometimes subont mx to 1130 but varies daily. Think I hear A.A. mentioned in ID but not sure. Definitely not the Ulan Bator heard here earlier. More work needed. (Berg, MA)+++RM WCNA Ser via Komsomolsk (UHN list), 9505 at 0505. Easy pickings. (tba)+++Yakutsk, 9580, in RS 1035 // better 7200; Mayak style pgm. (Klein)+++R. Tikihiy Okean, 12070, in RS 0715; W annrc w/ talks, EzL mx, semi-classical stuff, ID, more mx. //9810. (Klein, FL)

**VIETNAM Bac Thai, 6904a, in lang 1144-1210; strange but nice singing by W then M. Almost chanting w/ no mx accompaniment. Definitely caught "Bac Thai" at end of ID by W 1200. (Moritz, OH)

ZIMBABWE RHODESIA ZRBC, 3306, in lang 0341-0344; US soul tune, M annrc w/ deep voice and Leif Garrett tune. (Moritz, OH 1-5)

LATE ARRIVALS ANGOLA R. Nac Luanda, 11955, in PT 0450-545; TC 0500 for 6 a.m., site, and ID. W annrc and many TCs. (Bob Rankin, KS)

USSR Magadan, 5940, relaying Anadyr in lang 0500-45 and into RS w/ clear Govorit Anadyr ID and TC for 1945. Interview w/ candidate for office. Relay Moscow 0600. WRTH says Anadyr is relayed by Magadan at this time and latter listed for this freq so sure tx is there. (Rankin, KS)

Gentlemen, you've outdone yourselves. An extraordinary quantity of great reports. 73, *Tom*