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- ANDORRA AWR via RA, 6219, in EG 2030; up a little from nominal 6215. (Jerry Berg, MA 3-8)---Same w/ apparent relig pgm 0820-32 in FR. Hymn by M, chorus, M ann, unstable sig, fading in and out. Weak. (Victor Jaar, PQ)---Same relaying R. Scandinavia 2131-55; r&r mx, mentions of World Mx Radio and other Europirates. Covered by UTE 2155. (Vlad Cucura, PA 3-2)---Same relaying World MX Radio on Sundays 2100-2200; fair at 2115 t/in, mostly r&r mx. Excellent DX pgm 2125-32. Will QSL for 2 IRCs. QTH: Box 4078, Amsterdam, Holland. To 2204, RA ID and off. Tnx Hauser-RCI for nx. (Berg, MA)***Suspect Vald's log of R. Scand. is in fact WMR. tba
- ARGENTINA RA, 6060, in SP 0910; nice EzL mx, W anncr w/ ID. (Stu Klein, FL 3-2)+++Mendoza, 6180, in SP 0900; checking for Rio Gallegos but only this one here. ID 0905, TCs and mx. (Berg, MA 3-7)
- AUSTRIA ORF, 5945, in EG 0330; in well for once to NAM. (Jim Conrad, IA)
- BELGIUM BRT, 15380, in EG 0015; badly QRMed from BBC Limassol. Have suggested that they move up 5 kHz and hope they do. (Conrad, IA)
- BOLIVIA Rem Bolivias, 4755, in SP 1033; ID and ancmt for MW, SW and FM freqs. (Berg, MA 3-7) +++ R. Progreso, 6005, in SP 1015; "atenciones" to the various provinces. Many ments Progreso and full ID 1041. No Reloj or Canada, and one of the best Bolivians ever heard here. Weaker 2-20 but Canada in control 2-21. (Berg, MA 2-19)
- BRAZIL R. Dragao do Mar, 4925, in PT 0227-0300; local and US pop mx w/ many TCs by M often preceded by word "Dragao" and mentions of Fortaleza. A few ads. Vy gd ID 0228: "Dragao onze vinte e oito." Then group of W singers w/ singing ID and M w/ "transmitindo de Fortaleza." (Henry Lazarus LA 3-5)***Nicely done, Henry. tba***R. Borborema, 5025, in PT 0411; Wild DJ, mx and a few TCs. Several mentions of Borborema and Campina Grande before ID and s/off 0430. (Chris Leithner, TN) +++RN Sao Paulo, 6125, in PT 0925; M anncr, many ads, finally an ID, typical local mx. (Klein, FL 3-2)+++R. Marumbi Ltda., 9675, in PT 0810; already on w/ pgm of vaguely religious mx. M w/ full ID, calls, etc. on half hour. (Klein, FL 2-26)
- BULGARIA RS, 17825, in EG to Africa 1830; poor. Also here 2345-0045 covering Japan. A complete reorganization of ITU-IFRB might solve these problems. (Zilmer, WI)
- **CAMEROUN** 4000. I'll go out on a limb and say this is Bafoussau, a new one listed in WRTH. Heard pretty well to 2230* after Cameroun NA, but no longer // other Cameroun freqs. My atlas says its Balfoussau. Have heard the town mentioned several times--sounds a little like "Pakistan"---though not in the rather quick closing ancmt. Needs more work. (Berg, MA)
- CANADA CKFX, 6080, in EG 1319; usual C&W mx, ICs and Super Country slogans. IDs and PSAs also noted. (Leithner, TN)***Unusual time. Nice. tba***CKZN, 6160, in EG *0928; s/on, NA, M anncr, usual s/on goodies. (Klein, FL 3-2)---Same at *0928; NA, hymn, into local weather. Very clear and got a good SW ID at s/on. Nice folk mx, too. (Gregg Ravenhorst, MN 2-24)***Welcome back, OM. tba.
- CHINA Regionals heard 3-4: 4990 Hunan 1150; W in CH and nice mx. 4915 Nanning 1140; M&W alternating in CH. 6000 FFBS2 1125; W w/ usual tirade. 5900 FFBS 1125; same pgm as 6000. Listed as FFBS1 but sounded //. 5240 FFBS1 1010; usual format of W talks and mx. Also noted following RP outlets during same period: 9390 in EG 1252; Mx to s/off ancmts and IS 1300. 9945 in VT w/ nice mx, W anncr, mx. 5975 in KR *1100; IS, M&W anncrs s/on ancmts and nx. (Klein, FL)+++Heilongjiang, 4925, in CH 1025. lovely local mx, W anncr // 5950. Excellent. (Klein, FL)+++Peking believed the one on 4905 2235-2252; W and M in CH but gone just before 2300 recheck. (Jaar, PQ)
- **CLANDESTINE** V of Malayan Revolution, 15790, in presumed Malayan 2200; UTE QRM 4-5 kHz up. Good when heard. (Conrad, IA 3-7)
- COLOMBIA R. Surcolombiana, 5010, in SP 0456; LA vocals and instrumentals, ads, ID. Fair in QRN. (Leithner, TN 2-15)---Same at 1120; EzL mx, M anncr, Caracol plug. (Neal Perdue, AL)+++Ecos del Atrato, 5020, in SP 1030; ID, anthem and formal opening. (Berg, MA)---Same at 0105 w/ M anncr, LA ballads, ID and TC. (Perdue, AL)
- CONGO Brazzaville, 4765, at *0430; IS and s/on. (tba)
- **COOK IS.** Raratonga, 5045, again tantalizingly just in at *0430. Talks by W fighting het from 5047 (evidently Togo on already). Talks by M&W later followed by island mx. Never good enough for ID but 99.9999% sure its them. (tba)
- ECUADOR Just back from vacation to Ecuador. Among stns visited was R. Popular in Cuencas on 480lv. Is running only 600w reduced from nominal 2 kW on SW but has a new 5 kW tx on order from Miami. Claims to expect to have it on air by March, which I doubt since it had not yet arrived. New studio equipment evidently also to be used; this was needed since the present studios are very primitive. (Don Jensen, WI)
- ENGLAND RCI via Daventry, 5965, in RS Ser 0315, being QRMed by RCI NAM Ser. Does left hand know what right is doing? (Conrad, IA)
- EQ GUINEA R. Ecuatorial, 5004, in SP *0415-0605; long NA, ID, pgm of lively African and disco-type mx. M anncr and a few long talks by M. Chimes and very nice ID 0601: "Esta es R. Ecuatorial ? Radiodifusion y Television de Guinea Ecuatorial ? Bata, Rio Muni. Nx by M. (Lazarus, LA)

- ETHIOPIA VoRE, 9560, in Afar 1340-1430; good daily. Piano IS 1359, into AR. ID, "Sowt . . . min Addis Ababa," nx and interesting mx. (Terry Krueger, FL)
- FINLAND RF has done it again, pulling two freqs, 9760 and 11735, out of the hat for 0330 EG tx to NAM. Here in midwest they simply aren't heard well enough to bother listening. (Zilmer, WI)
- GERMANY (FED REP) Bayerreishcer Rundfunk, 6085, in GM 0750; folk mx, ID by M on hour, and nx. (Don Moore, PA)
- **GREENLAND** Godthab, 9575, in lang *1013-40; after years of no luck with 3999/5988, clear and weak w/ six note chimes IS per WRTH, 1015 lang ID, mentioning "Kallaallit Nunaata." Talk, puase and into deep-voiced Danish M w/ ID, nx 1030. Quite pleased. (Krueger, FL 2-20)
- GUATEMALA LV Atitlan, 2390, in SP *1057; OC 1055, on 1057 w/ vocal, full ID, call, into "Amauecer Campesino" pgm. S/on varies to slightly after 1100. (Berg, MA)+++ According to AWR 3-9 DX pgm, AWR America 6090, is supposed to begin testing sometime after 0000 3-12 or 13. Probably local date, but time is GMT. (Berg, MA)
- INDONESIA RRI by UnID site, 3425a, in Indo 1205; Jakarta nx relay. Tnx Neumann. Site maybe Manokwari. (Klein, FL)+++RRI Jakarta, 4774, tentative 1205 in Indo; weak but there w/ nx. (Klein, FL)+++RRI Fak Fak, 4790, in Indo 1205; warta berita. (Klein, FL)+++RRI Surakarta, 4932, in Indo 1200; SCI to hour, W w/ nx realy. (Klein, FL)+++RRI Yogyakarta, 5047, in Indo 1158-1203; SCI, ID, network nx. (Krueger, FL 2-20)
- **IRELAND** R. Condor, Int., 11463, in EG 1007-47; fading in and out w/ US pops, M w/ clear ID 1025 and letter from listener. (Cucura, 2-24)
- ISRAEL IBA, 15585, in EG 0000 and 0100; NAsEr jammed by characteristic Russian pattern. Suspect IBA is beaming strong sidelobe of this tx to USSR and that the jamming is a reaction. (Conrad, IA)+++IBA nx: 25625 NF, 1200-30, EG to Eur, poor // 11620, 17560, 17615, 25640, 17685, 21495, 7465. 17645 NF 2000-30 to NAM in EG. Good 3-2 // 11610, 9009, 9815, 17685, 11960, 17710, 21600. 15582 NF 2230-2300 to NAM in EG. Very good // 9815 and 11637. All three also heard 0000-30, 0100-30, 0200-30 to NAM. 15585 in Reshet Bet HS 1805-2155; good. 27790, 1400-1525, w/ RS, Baharian, and Georgain. Only freq not jammed at this time. 15615 NF 1805-2310 w/ Hebrew Reshet Bet pgm. Good 3-2. (Zilmer, WI)
- JAPAN RJ, 6030, in EG 0856; IS, ID and killed by AFRTS. (Klein, FL)+++ NSB, 6055, 0902 w/ Let's Learn JP. (Klein, FL)
- KOREA (DR) KCBS, 4770, in KR 1038-43*; W anncr to choral NA and off. Back 1200 w/ IS, long NA, M anncr, and talk. (Klein, FL)
- KOREA (REP) RK, 6015, in KR 1130; drama pgm. (Klein, FL)+++RK, 9815 NF, in EG 1245-1330; to NAM. Vy good 3-2 // 7550 and 15570. (Zilmer, WI)+++RK 9820NF, in EG *1240; s/on proceedings. (Klein)
- LEBANON VoL, 6550, in AR 2115-2124*; light orch mx and s/off after anthem like vocal. Pretty good amid QRN. (Berg, MA)---Same at 0407; Col. Bogey march, W anncr, ID. (Moore, PA)
- LIBYA Tripoli, 6184a, in AR 2315-0005; bad modulation, loud // 11690. Chimes 2315, ID 2352, usual songs political items. (Jaar, PQ)
- MALAYSIA Kuala Lumpur, 6025, in lang 1136; world nx and mentions of Afghan conflict. (Leithner)
- MALDIVES Data in current edition of UADX (edited by G. Victor Goonetilleke, a fine DXer. tba) is that Male is *0030 on 4754 w/ 30kW. Jerry Berg's nice log and the several earlier WCNA logs appear right on target. (Don Jensen)***Jerry wrote w/ similar info and a note that his QSL was in! Congrats, OM. tba
- MEXICO Su Pantera, 6105, in SP 1330; disco mx, TCs, ID. (Leithner, TN)+++XEWX, 9515, in SP 1400-1700; reactivated after long absence daily w/ nx, local ads, IDs. // 6165 and 15160. (Krueger, FL)
- MOZAMBIQUE Maputo, 3338, at 0354; probable s/on; xylophone IS, and multilang IDs. (Klein, FL)
- NEW HEBRIDES Vila, 7260, in FR 0908-1000*; nonstop contemporary lang vocals (not island mx), ID by M 0959, rapid hollow drum IS and off. (Krueger, FL 3-5)---Same, 0832-1000*; religious mx, ID 0900; request pgm w/ c&w and r&r mx as well as island favorites. Drums 1000 and off. (Cucura)
- NICARAGUA Letter from stn confirms spelling of name is R. Zinica. Uses same phone number, address and freq as the old R. Atlantico, but it stresses that it's a new stn, the voice of the Sistema Sandanista de Comunicacion de Masas, the official voice of the Popular Sandinista Revolution on the Atlantic Coast. Apparently the operator of the old R. Atlantico, Raul Tijerino, lost his stn in the revolution. A shame, too, since he was a decent guy, seemingly, and ironically an outspoken of Somoza. (Don Jensen)
- PAKISTAN RP, 21485, in EG 1600-15; // 17910, 21755. Poor 3-7 and a return from 21490 for this tx. Must be a technical problem and they forgot to switch. 21490 is used 1215-1315 in AR and then in Urdu to 1600. (Zilmer, WI)
- PNG R. W. New Britain, 2340, in PD 1150; hymns, M anncr. (Moore, PA)+++R. E. Highlands, 2410, in PD 1130; Hymns, ID by W. (Moore, PA)+++R. New Ireland, 2428, tentative 1125; M anncr and children singing. (Moore, PA)+++R. W. Highlands, 2450, tentative 1140; M anncr, hymns. (Moore, PA)+++R. W. Sepik, 3205, in PD 1131-39; TC, M w/ talk and mix of mx. UTE over 1139. (Cucura, PA)--- Same 1140-1200+; M anncr, island mx, definite mention Vanimo (pronounced Vahnimo) 1152. Improving to VG by 1155. Into talk or nx 1200. (Perdue, AL)---Same 1200; light vocals, M anncr. (Moore, PA)+++R. Gulf, 3245, in PD 1210; drum mx, M anncr, light mx and more drums. (Moore, PA)--- Same presumed 1225-30 f/out. Island mx, M in PD, primitive a cappella male chorus 1227, then talks by M. Good but for local QRN. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Madang, 3260, in PD 1050; sermon by M, hymns. ID 1100. (Moore, PA)+++R. S. Highlands, 3275, in PD 1134; W chanting, M anncr. (Moore, PA)---Same 1102-1108; M w/ nx and mention of Papua. 1108 f/out. (Cucura, PA)+++R. E Sepik, 3335, in PD 1030-40; M w/ request pgm of c&w and island mx. (Cucura, PA)
- PERU R. Pampas, 4854, presumed after 1045 many days; OC after 1045 but no talking till after 1100, by which time it's too late for ID. (Berg, MA)+++Ondas del Titicaca, 4921, tentative in SP 0955-1011; M anncr, Andean songs but no ID. (Krueger, FL 2-20)

R. Tropical, 4936+, in SP 0430; up from nominal 4935 w/ clear ID, talks by M. (tba)+++The mysterious Peruvian on 5035 is now clearly identified as R. Imagen (EE-mah-gen); noted at 1001 w/ ID and site. (Klein, FL)---Same now heard opening earlier sometimes as early as 0935. (Berg, MA)---Am hearing this one w/ Tarapoto mentioned but also hearing R. Paco IDs. Can anyone help? (Maxfield Greenwood)+++Presumed R. Loreto, 5050, in SP *0757 after NA. (Berg, MA 3-9)

PHILIPPINES R. Veritas Asia, 17790, in EG 0030. M ID, disco song, talk on food production. (Moore, PA)

PIRATE Syncom 48 (formerly 40), 6248, relaying R. Telstar at 0124 3-1. Asking for reports to FRC. At 0130 moved to 6279 (anncd 6277) to 0205*. On 3-2 on 6225 asking for reports, reading some, and asking for calls to 215/395-5609. Moved to 6248 at 0430. Back on 6225 at 0600. (Berg) PORTUGAL Lisbon, 6025; strongly think this one back on compatible LSB for the tx to NAM. Audio distortion easily cleared by use of LSB. (Conrad, IA) *My observations agree. tba SARAWAK RMS, 4895, in lang 1220; M annr, talk. RMS also heard on 4950 in EG 1145; M w/ nx head-lines and EzL mx. Also on 5030 at 1155 w/ lang talk by M and ID 1158 through UTE. (Klein, FL) SINGAPORE RS, 5010, in EG 1130-37; time pips, ID and M annr w/ nx. F/o 1137. (Cucura, PA 3-2) SOLOMON IS. SIBC, 5020, in EG 1030-1130*; island mx, local hit parade, M DJ. Off w/ ID, freqs and NA. (Perdue, AL)---same at 1000; M annr and RAustralia nx. (Klein, FL) S. AFRICA R. 5, 3250, in EG 0415; IDs, pop mx. (Klein, FL 2-26)+++RSA, 15265 NF, in EG 0200-50; to NAM replacing 15220 // 11900, 15155, 17770. Good. (Zilmer, WI) TANZANIA RT, 9683, presumed in lang 1350-1438; presumed peaking many days in Swahili. EAfr or Koranic vocals after 1415. Varies to 9684 some days by measurement. Very good. (Krueger, FL)---RT, 4785, in Swahili 0340; M annr, mention of Dar es Salaam, local mx. Baku also there. (Klein) TRANSKEI Capital R., 7160, in EG 0430; M DJ w/ top pops, mant IDs, and ads/ (Klein, FL 2-29)---Same 0422-0500; fair-poor w/ hyped M DJ, TC/IDs, ads and lots of pops. (Krueger, FL 2-29)---Same 0400-20; Afr nx and weather, rock mx, TCs, ads, stn jingle. (Perdue, AL)

**TURKEY Ankara Polis R., 6340, in TK 0515; local mx. Gone by 0600. (Berg, MA 2-17)

UGANDA UBC, 15325, in very well 0335 3-12; folk mx in after several days of mod problems. (Cucura, PA 3-12)

USA PIRATE WBLO, 3890, in EG 0643-0735 f/out; mostly r&r, Jethro Tull, Close Encounters and the like. Annr had British accent and sounded like the one on my tape of R. Highseas Int. "You are tuned to the new WBLO. QTH: WBLO 121E. ? , Atlana, GA. QRM killed the rest. Pse QSL. (Greg Ravenhorst, Box 203, Hollandale MN 56045).+++Moonshine R, 7370, in EG 0652 3-9. Mentioned Green River Radio, Pioneer R. Broadcasting. Site given as 10 miles underground. Guest annr one Joseph Barnyard. Nx and mx. (John Williams, MN)

USSR Murmansk, 5930, in RS 0458; pips, ID by W, nx by M. (Moore, PA)+++Alma Ata, 5960, tentative 0000-05; IS mixing under RCI, W after s/on probably // 5260. (Jaar, PQ)+++RMWS Vladivostok, 5960, in EG 1120; usual stuff. Site via UHN. (Klein, FL)

VENEZUELA R. Lara, 4800, in SP 0100; strong and clear most nights lately w/ LA mx, talk and IDs. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Maracaibo, 4860, back after long sabbatical as of 0330 3-2. Usual format and clear IDs by glib DJ. (tba)+++R. Sucre, 4960, suddenly reactivated 2 March // Rumbos w/ net nx 0337. After nx, stn plugs, mentions of Rumbos net, ID, calls, freqs and usual s/off *0400. Not heard in several years. (tba)---Same 0347 4 March w/ Rumbos nx. (Moore, PA)+++Barquisimeto back on 4990 several nights to 0400*. Same as always. (tba)+++R. Occidente, 9751, in SP 1420-30; continues daily fair in het w/ usual YV format. IDs and store ads. (Krueger, FL)

VIETNAM Hanoi, 10060, in VT 1300; M w/ mentions of Hanoi and Vietnam. (Klein FL)+++Hanoi, 14992, in FR 1915 carrying same pgm as 15012. (Berg, MA)

**ZANZIBAR RT, 3338.4a, in lang 0339-0353; EAfr M vocals w/ many drums, definite Swahili M annr 0345, M again w/ ID but no mention Zanzibar and into instr mx. Blocked 0353 bt Maputo. (Krueger FL 2-29)

ZIMBABWE ZBC, 3306//3396, in EG 0403; W w/ nx. (Klein, FL)

ANARC-FRC Report via Bob Zilmer:

BRT Belgium: After informing BRT that 15175 0015+ was QRMed by WYFR and Portugal on 15170, FRC was asked to find them a new freq they could use during this period // to 15175, which would be beamed to SAM instead of NAM. 15380 was chosen (but see above--tba) which has been used by them since w/ adequate sigs despite Limassol co-channel to Asia.

Another fine issue. Tnx to all.

Best of 73,

Tom