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- ***ANTARCTICA R. Nac. Arcangel San Gabriel, 15476, in SP 0040-0107*; surprisingly strong though much QRM from code and RTTY stns. Pgm of mx w/ annmnts by M to 0050. ID 0050 preceded by sound of strong winds. ID: Desde la Base Esperanza en la Antartica Argentina, LRA76, R. Nac. Arcangel San Gabriel." Long talk by man to 0100, colsing annmnts, march or NA 0104, taps 0106 and off. Tnx John Kapinos. (Henry Lazarus, LA 12-3)
- BELIZE RB, 3285, in EG 0334; good. Talk abt automatic light switch for cars. Probably BBC supplied! (Jack Jones, MS 11-18)
- BRAZIL R. Cl. de Marilla, 3235, in PT 0031; no noise here for a change. Mx pgm w/ ID as R. Cl. de Marilla. (Marlin Field, MI 12-5)+++R. Cl. de Varginha, 3245, in PT from 0102; mx pgm, ID at 0105. Also noted 2345 5 Dec. (Field, MI) +++R. Rural Santarem, 4765, in PT 0835; fair in het. M anncr w/ talk, ID as R. Rural, PT pops and more talk. (Stu Klein, NJ)+++R. Borborema, 5025, in PT 0905; fair. Nice samba mx, M anncr w/ talk, ID more of same mx. (Klein, NJ)
- CANADA CKZN, 6160, tentatively in EG 2335; weak sig lost in QRM by 2350. Talk/phone-in show. (Chris Leithner, TN 11-26)
- CANARY IS. REE Relay, 15365, in SP 0233; very good. "Boletin Noticias de Canarias," talk abt agriculture, mx, many IDs, 2-question quiz before NA and 0334*. (Leithner, TN 11-27)
- CHILE RN, 6150, in SP 0245-0330; good. Political talk by M, ID 0300, into mx pgm of ballads. (Frank Orcutt, CA)
- CHINA FFBS 2, 3400, in CH 1110; very good. Nice CH opera mx, W anncr talking. (Klein, NJ)+++ RP 6345, in RS 1000; RTTY QRM. IS and Govorit Pekin ID. This QRMs presumed Echo of Hope on 6348. (Rich Lucas, CA 11-23)
- CLANDESTINE LV de Verdade, 4950, hrd tnx to UD tip. Missed *0330 (tuned in 0333) to hear PT low-key talk, mentioning OAU. Herb Alpert tune also noted. Fair. (Leithner, TN 11-26)
- COLOMBIA R. Neiva, 4855, in SP 5 Dec. Mx pgm w/ ID as Transmite R. Neiva; many ads. Fair. (Field, MI)***Time, Marlin? tba***LV del Cinaruco, 4865, in SP 0953-1032; good but overmodulated. IDs and TCs by W, rancho mx, ads. (Orcutt, CA 11-29)+++Rdf. Nac. de Colombia, 5980, in SP 0953; vy good. Chimes or gongs, "el Eco Informo" pgm, possible s/on, not there a few minutes earlier. (Jones, MS 11-20)+++Ondas del Darien, in SP *1015; good. March mx, ID, calls, freqs followed by NA. Somewhat distorted modulation. (Jones, MS 11-21)
- COSTA RICA R. Reloj, 6010, in SP 0232; vy good. Moving around? not on 49m anywhere at 1000 check. Hrd w/ nx. (Jones, MS 11-20)+++ R. Reloj, 5954, in SP 1037; vy good. ID, TC, patriotic slogan, ranchera mx. (Jones, MS 11-21)+++R. Nacional, 6035, in SP 1128-55; good but sometimes bothered by humming noise. Nx, at 0028 and into pgm of mainly old US pops w/ annmnts by M 0031. Many TCs, a couple of IDs as R. Nacional and a couple of PSAs by government. (Lazarus, LA 11-20) ***The former printed as received. Do you mean 1128 or 0028, Henry? tba***Same, 0227. Sounded like a political rally, speeches, applause, side commentary, etc. ID as R. Nacional de Costa Rica. Fair. (Jones, MS 11-20)---Same, 0044. John Lennon song, IDs. DW-6040 arrival at 0055 and AFRTS OC on 6030 reduced otherwise OK sig to miserable by 0100. (Leithner, TN 11-26)+++R. Rumbo, 6078, in SP 0221; good. Rumbo noticias, M&W alternating w/ nx items. (Jones, MS 11-20)
- ECUADOR R. Iris, 3380, in SP 1114; vy good. ID, TC, local mx. (Jones, MS 12-6)+++R. Jesus del Gran Poder, 5050, in SP 1104; vy good. Commercial and business mx. Annecd several other stns in net carrying pgm. (Jones, MS 11-23)+++R. Progreso, 5060a, in SP 1012. Vy Good. ID, TC for 0508 local, talk, local mx. (Jones, MS 11-26)
- EL SALVADOR R. Nac. de El Salvador, 5980, in SP 0420; fair. LA mx heavily laced w/ propaganda. Freq clear but BBC-5975 troublesome. (Jones, MS 11-28)
- GERMANY (FED REP) SDR, 6030, in GM (natrllich); fair. EZL mx, M anncr, talk, local annmnts, more mx. (Klein, NJ) +++SFB, 6190, in GM 0853; good. Mixed bag of EzL mx and pops, M anncr between w/ talk, etc. (Klein, NJ)
- GUATEMALA RFG, 15045, in EG 2230; fair. ID as Radio Free Grenada, TC and local nx. (Jones, MS)
- GUATEMALA R. Maya, 3325, in SP 1105; fair. M anncr, religious talk, prayer and marimbas. (Klein, NJ)
- HONDURAS R. Lux, 4890, in SP 0228; vy good. "Musica Nacional y Internacional." (Jones, MS 12-6)---Same, 0115 w/ US pops, latin ballads, IDs. Heavy QRM made for difficult copy. (Leithner, TN 11-26)
- ***IRELAND South Dublin R., 6240, in EG 0617-0705; pgm of pops and rock mx w/ annmnts by M. Fairly strong and easy to hear mx but annmnts difficult to understand because of high QRM. Address given twice as SDR, North St., Swords, County Dublin." (Lazarus, LA 12-6)---Same from 0600 w/ mx pgm, didn't recognize any of the songs. ID 0630 asked for rpts before that but no address. (Field, MI 12-6)***See above, Marlin and good luck on the QSL. tba
- LEBANON VoL, 6550, well heard fro, 0417; AR nx headlines, many sound effects (rooster crows and cuckoo clocks, ME and western mx w/ FR lyrics, IDs. Faded badly to out by 0515. (Leithner)

LIBYA SPLAJBC, 15270, in AR 1615-1700; fair. AR mx, short talks by M between selections. // 17930. (Orcutt, CA 11-28)

***NEW ZEALAND RNZ, 17705nf (ex 17860), in EG 0350-0705; fair to weak but clear channel. On 2 Dec fade in under UnID AR stn abt 0020, listened to after 0400. 3 days listening indicates that this is good choice being clear after 0100. (Lucas, CA 12-1)---Same 0322 and in well. Classical mx to 0358 when ID and into nx on hour. Deep fade. (Jack Reeder, MS)---And here as well regularly and very well after 0200. Am listening to it nightly for the sheer enjoyment of it. The local weather forecast after the 0300 nx is especially fun. A favorite of mine for years and glad to have it again. (tba)

PERU R. Rioja, 5045, in SP *1029-58; s/on w/ harp mx, full ID including call OAX9L by M 1031; NA, local mx w/ many TCs and IDs by M. One ID as "OAX9L es la senal de una estacion autenticamente peruana, R. Rioja..." Numerous mentions of el Departamento de San Martin. On previous two morning signed on w/ El Condor Pasa. (Lazarus, LA 11-27)---Same, various evenings after Brazil off 0300. Always w/ mx pgm and different varieties I can't ID. Waht is QTH? (Field, MI)***Don't know Marlin. Can we have an assist on that? tba***Same, *1036, fair. On w/ El Condor Pasa, anncmt w/ clear ID, NA followed by usual local mx. Weak and slop from Jesus del Gran Poder. (Jones, MS 11-26)***All stns should have such QRM trouble. tba***R. Victoria, 6020, in SP 1045; fair. Ads, local mx. (Jones, MS 11-23)+++R. Chota presumed, 6295, in SP 0241-0322; LA mx w/ long anncmts by M. Heard a few mentions of Peru and possibly one of Chota but could not pick out ID because of much static and QRM from code stn. (Lazarus, LA 11-20)+++ R. El Sol out of order on 5970, in SP 1008. Good. Fine Peruvian mx. Favorite W anncr (the one w/ the husky voice). (Jones, MS 11-21)+++R. America also out of order, 6010, in SP 1030; fair. ID and MW freq (Mil diez kHz amplitud modulada). Bad het. (Jones, MS 11-27)

SINGAPORE RS, 5052, in EG 1045-1100; fair. Relig pgm "Evening Service," ad, tc and ID by W. (Orcutt, CA 11-29)

USSR Vladivostok, 5015, in RS 1059; fair. Mayak IS to hour, M&W anncrs w/ talk, the usual. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Tashkent, 5945, in EG 1110, good. Comment, ID // 6025. (Jones, MS 12-5)+++RM via Blagoveschensk, 9580, in EG 1401-35; Wordl Service nx, NX and Views, fair. // 11840 which was good to VG. (Orcutt, CA 11-27)

VENEZUELA R. Occidente, 3225, in SP 0329; vy good. ID, "Musica Venezuelana." (Jones, MS 11-18)+++ LV de el Tigre, 3255, in SP 0240; fiar. ID, LA pops. (Jones, MISS 12-7)***ID on this is now R. 980. tba **LV de Carabobo, 4780, in SP 0346; ID, TC, pop mx. Fair. (Jones, MS 12-1)+++R. Maturin, 5040, in SP 0005+; in sports pgm also on 4770, 4970, 4990, 5030 and 3255 but couldn't tell if //. (Field, MI 12-4)+++R. Sensacion, 5999, in SP 1021; fair. pop mx, ID and bad het. (Jones, MS 11-21)+++R. Turismo, 6178a, in SP 1021; vy good. ID, ads (one for Sherwin-Williams paint), plug for stn itself. (Jones, MS 11-27)

And this bit of bad nx from John Gunter, NC:

A letter just rcvd from the ABC in Melbourne states that due to lack of staff and finances, RA cannot continue Listener's Club, verify reception reports or maintain a mailing list. While this kind of problem has been widely aired in the past, it remain disheartening to hear that it continues throughout the world. I think it vital that all of us, regardless of our own likes and dislikes within the hobby have a positive duty to support the stns that make our hobby possible. I urge all of you to protest vigorously against such cutbacks in services that make the SW bands and thereby the world a quieter and therefore less interesting place. tba

On that gloomy note, let me take this special moment to thank you mid-monthers especially for your support and friendship and good wishes during the last year. My very best wishes for a peaceful and happy holiday season and a joyous and prosperous new year.

Best of 73,