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- ADMIRALTY IS. R. Manus, 3905, in PD 1047-1101; poor w/ severe ARO QRM. Nutcracker Suite, talks, ID, more instr mx. (Tom Gavaras, MN 2-22)
- ANGOLA ER Lobito, 7001, in PT 0526-45; W w/ ID, MW/SW freqs, segue into mood mx, another ID and more mx, 95% of which was EG/PT disco. (Dan Sheedy, CA 3-4)
- ***AZAD KASHMIR AKR, 6275, presumed, in lang 1300+; peaking 1250-1300, but tough in CW. Subcont chants, flutes, M anncr. (Neal Perdue, AL)---Same, 1250-1300, fighting UTE w/ chromatic mx, ID on hour. Only fair at best but QRM was the real problem. (tba)
- BOLIVIA R. Panamericana, 6105, in SP 1039; good. "Bolivia presente" local mx alternating between quena and charango and modern instruments. "B. dias Bolivia" 1052, familiar theme mx, ID, calls. Good on this NF. (Jack Jones, MS 3-6)---Same, 6108; OC at 1025 turned into Panamericana w/ *1030. Full ID and into local mx. Annncd 49m channel as 6105. Very good. (Jerry Berg, MA 2-21)
- BRAZIL R. Rib. Preto, 3205, presumed in PT 2351-0003; continuous talks by M to f/out. No ID but clearly Brazilian. (Henry Lazarus, LA)+++R. Tapuyo, 3295, in PT 0003-15; first catch on new 600 foot antenna. Two M anncrs, local pops, chatter and ID. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Conquista, 3335, in PT 0050; DJ and nice local mx but sig in trouble. (Serge Neumann, FL 3-3)+++ R. Nac. San Gabriel, 3375, presumed in PT 0115; beautiful rhythmic local pop mx. Loved it but weak. (Neumann, FL 3-3)---Same, 0215-30; latin ballads, M anncr, ID 0230. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Borborema, 5025, in PT 0249*; M anncr, EzL mx, nice, slow and easy ID and gone. Seemingly off early. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Cult do Para, 5045, in PT to 0300*; M w/ closing anncmts, long orchestral Brazilian NA. A good chance for those wishing to familiarize themselves w/ this seldom heard NA. (Perdue, AL)+++ R. Bandeirantes, 6185, tentative, in PT 0115-40; carnival time in Sao Paulo. Usual live remotes, phone ins from listeners. Long promo/jingle 0132 and back to loony progress reports. // or nearly so w/ Inconfidencia 6000. (Sheedy, CA 3-4)
- ***BURMA BBS, 4725, in lang 1240; talk by M amid growing sunrise static. (Neumann, FL 3-5)
- BURUNDI LV Revolution, 3300, tentative, in FR 0417-44; some local instr drum mx, scheduled nx at 0420, more instr mx and some talks. Vy weak w/ severe UTE QRM. Cultural off. Tnx Sherman. (Gavaras MN 3-2)***Hope you can take the "t" off. tba
- CANADA CKFH, 4290 (3x1430), in EG 1150; usual MW type pgms. (Don Moore, PA)***QTH? tba
- CHINA Harbin PBS, 5950, in CH 1124-1201; talks, CH opera mx. Some QRM. Fair. (Gavaras, MN 2-22)+++Nei Mengguu PBS, 6975, in CH 1150; instr mx and M anncr. (Moore, PA 2-21)
- ***CLANDESTINE 7035 per gh/RCI item, new Salvadorean clandestine, R. Venceremos noted *1200 and 2300. CW always bad, but worse at 2300. Pretty good strength but overmodulated. Usual mx, political talk format. Drifted down to 7031 for a while; sounds like a very rough operation. ID: "Transmite R. Venceremos, emisora del Frente Farabundo Martu para la liberacion nacional." (Berg, MA)
- COLOMBIA Ecos del Atrato, 5020, in SP 0020-30; nice local mx, M annce, several IDs. (Perdue, AL)+++LV Caqueta, 5035, in SP 1040-50; bank ads, M DJ, ID, local pops. Excellent. (Terry Krueger, FL)
- ECUADOR LV Triunfo, 3252, in SP 1125-43; long ad string for almacenes in Sto. Domingo, Cuenca, aparatos electricos y de hogar, into apparent nx, TC w/ ID tag, mre nx or comment but dropping rapidly by 1140. (Sheedy, CA 3-2)
- ***FRANCE(GABON?) Believe RFI using Afr. No. 1 for 15435 FR tx 2045-2129*. 15 min nx 2100 including anncmt by Pres. Giscard d'Estaing that he would seek reelection. Much stronger than // 15425, 15360, and 15300. Think it's a relay by audio and propagation. Vy good despite nearby WYFR. (Wilder Pickard, IL)
- FR GUYANA FR3, 3385, in FR 0125; poor and tough copy. Nice rhythmic mx. Occasional M anncr. (Neumann, FL 3-3)---Same 0100-0107*; M talk, closing anncmts, LM, short guitar IS after NA. Vy nice in active condx which is the only time hrd decently here at night. (Perdue, AL)
- GABON Afr. No. 1, 4812, up from 4808 2130-2200 w/ pgm of old Bill Haley songs. Now first in and strongest on 60m in afternoo. (Berg, MA)
- HONDURAS R. Luz y Vida, 3250, in SP 0340; fanfare, ID, freqs as 1600 MW and 3250 SW. (Stu Klein, NJ)---same, 0253-0305; tedious syndicated rel pgm from Mexico, fanfare and ID and possible SP version of Unshackled. "Desencadenado" just doesn't have the same ring somehow. (Sheedy, CA 3-3)
- ***LV Moustiquia HRXK, 4910, in EG 0100-30; religious and c&w mx w/ anncmts by M. Evangelical stn run by Baptist missionaries from the US. Gave QTH as HRXK, Puerto Lempira, Honduras and asking for reports. (Lazarus, LA 2-25)---Same, 2-28, 0027-0130 w/ 0300*. Mostly SP w/ short local dialect pgm. Plenty of Floyd Kramer mx, gospel stuff and even some ABBA. EG pgm nightly 0100-30 w/ requests for reports, 15 min tapes from stateside churches and dedications. This night anncd as having small animal problems as anncr had to stomp a large scorpion and something just flew in window and was glaring at him. One man operation. (Bill Whitacre, TX)---Same here 0205 tnx phone tip de Perdue. Brief ID between solo vocals by M and M&W. (tba)---Same 0140-0210; rel pgms in SP, TCs, many IDs EG hymns. (Perdue, AL)---Same to 0257* 2-20; better on 2-22 w/ ABBA songs, EG 0058-0111. Asked for reports and had sort of one way conversation w/ listeners. Reports in from various states. Very much a US operation. SP sounds like a 2d lang. (Berg, MA)---Same at *1200 2-24 in SP w/

B. Dias, Call, freq. ID. Mx fanfare, c&w mx, and anncr w/ US accent in SP. On 2-26 at 0100, clear ID hrd after Miskito lang pgm. Missionary stn and seems to be family operated. Folks either from Miss. or with relatives there. Reports in From Pitt McNeil and David Crawford. Sked given as 1200-1400 and 0000-0300. EG sked 0100-30. One or two annmnt by young girl. M said Mary Frances glad ro have sister home after visit in Fla. and Miss. Tnx Lazarus for the prod. (Jones, MS)---Same 0225-59*; light pops, many IDs. (Moore, PA 2-22)

***INDONESIA 3-4 showed vy good Indo opening including 3503.8 RPDKT2 Banyuwangi fair at 1230 w/ chimes 1235; RRI Banjarmasin 3250, IN talk 1219 w/ Jakarta relay; RRI Ternate (3345? tba) very strong 1150); Manokwari, 3427 holding up vy well most mornings to past 1300. Solid nx relay 1200 and local ID 1210. Dili 3120 abset though. (Neumann, FL)+++RRI Balikpapan, 3317, in IN 1448-1500; western and Indo pops, quiet M anncr (do they ever yell?), no SGI, or anything else on hour, except a beautiful local ID. (Sheedy, CA 3-3)+++RKIP Surabaya, 4698.5, in IN 1303-20; local nx to 1310, drama pgm but fading fast. (Whitacre, TX 3-4)+++RRI Ujung Pandang, 4719, in IN 1246-1301; instr mx, much talking, more mx w/ W vocal ID at 1258 and Jakarta nx relay. (Gavaras, MN 2-22)+++RRI Biak, 5450nf, 1244-1330; big sig and decent mod. Not // 6207. Pops pgm w/ IDs at hour. Nx 1300 when horrendous off air relay. Local pgms again 1324. (Whitacre, TX 3-5)+++RRI Jakarta, 11789, 1432 in FE lang; back here now w/ FS but heard closing EG at early 1432 and into FE lang. (Berg, MA)

JAPAN RJ has moved from 15270 to 15430 for its 2345 EG xmsn. Bad choice. Readable on only one out of six occasions because of XERMX co-channel. (Pickard, IL)

LEBANON V of Hope, 6215, in EG *0400; s/on annmnts, IDs by M and into pops. Tnx Lazarus. (Perdue, AL)---Same 0401-47; continuous instr mx to 0430 when M gave ID as Voice of Hope, King(?) of Hope, W.O.R.D. and GMT time. Prayer and c&w mx w/ annmnts by M. (Lazarus, LA 2-18)---Same 0420-0510; nonstop carted ExL instrumentals, M 0449 w/ WORD and KING, prayer, hymns, sermon. Good. (Krueger, FL 2-24)---Sent copy of VoH report to Holyland B'casting Network, High Adventure Ministries, Box 7466, Van Nuys, CA 91409, and got back veri letter from one Don Otis. Said present sked is 0400-2200, pgms c&w and gospel w/ Bible readings every 15 min. AR, RS and UNIFIL (U.N.) and childrens bcsts also carried. Enclosed a couple of clippings from Union Leader on State Dept pressure to get them off air. "Two tall antennas topped w/ doves stand in a flat valley; some distance away in a bullet-pocked former custom house is the studio." Stn at Marjayoun. (Berg, MA)

LESOTHO LNBS, 4800, tentative in lang *0400-20; s/on w/ shoet NA and religious talks by M&W and hymns. First time hrd if it was really them. (Lazarus, LA 2-22)***It was. tba***Same 0405+ w/ children choir and W talks. (Whitacre, TX 3-5)

MOZAMBIQUE RM, 4855, in multi-ling IS and ID. Into pgm 0400. (tba)+++ Same 3210 in at 0356 w/ old US r&r, lang TC for 32 min after hour and ID. (tba)+++Same, 9617, *0250-0357 IS and multi-lang ID. NA, mx, PT talks. News, local mx and US r&b selections including We Are Family. Fair to poor w/ high QRM. (Gavaras, MN)***Ah. Pirate fans. tba

***NEPAL RN, 9589, in presumed Nepali and tentative *1147-1240; IS melody to 1150, s/on annmnts by M, Oriental mx, many flutes, talks by M to 1220, brief annmnt by W and drums. More mx. (Lazarus, LA)

NICARAGUA R. Zinica, 6120, in SP 1131; Ranchera mx, many TCs, right on nose for hora exacta. Vy good. (Jones, MS 3-6)

NIGERIA FRC Kaduna, 4770, in EG 2302*; ID, and nx by M. Best Afr afternoon ever. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Nigeria, 4950, in EG *0445+. Drum IS, ID as at beginning of rpt, SWAPO pgm, nx at 0600 // 4770. Move from 4990? (Sheedy, CA)***I mark ID in quotes only because it was the one given on pgm. Not hrd here but 4990 suddenly quiet. tba

PNG R. Madang, 3260, presumed, in PD 1244-57; US pops and island mx w/ annmnt by M. Ment PNG but no ID. (Lazarus, LA)

***PARAGUAY R. Nac., 11913, in SP to after 0035; IDs as R. Nacional, pgm called "En la Sala de Concierto." ID by W, piano and guitar mx, nx and IDs. (Jim Roberts and just abt everyone else at UMDX, Manitoba)---Same, 0945-1035, musica del pais, many IDs and anuncios, including phone patch to a guy in Santa Cruz. Presumed new tx. (krueger, FL 2-24)---Same per gh/RCI item on 11915 around 2300 and again after 1000. Big sig but messy freq. Many mentions Stroessner, much mx. Calls ZP1, ZPA1 and ZPB1. (Berg, MA)---Same 3-3 0124-0201* w/ big distorted sig. ID between songs, great local tunes, shorts noticias on half hour. (Whitacre, TX)---Same here 0026-50 tnx tip Jim Roberts and UMDX. Talks and ID by W, light latin pops. Vy strong but clisghtly hitted on high side. (tba)

PERU R. Madre de Dios, 4950, tentative in SP 0122-0207; EST TC, Sousa marches between items, sports, mentioned several Peruvian cities, pgm rvw 0130 and into muzak till faded. (Sheedy, CA)+++R, Moyobamba, 5015, in SP 0250; M w/ talk, annmnts and a couple of nice slow clear IDs. Not heard at night in a while. (Perdue, AL)+++R. Union, 6115, in SP 1057; ID, TC, ads, local mx.

***Good. (Jones, MS 3-6)+++R. Oriente, 6190, in SP tentative *1103-31; tnx phone tip from Jack Janes. Long NA, ID, calls as OAX8Z for MW, OAX8I for SW. Almost positive as to ID. (Lazarus, LA)---Same *1103 in SP. Long wobbly rendition of NA. No sign of ID. Local mx but some splash from BBC Sackville. (Jones, MS 3-6)

PHILIPPINES FEBC, 6030, in EG 1215-25; religious pgm. Domestic Service. 15 kW. (Moore, PA 2-21)

***PIRATES Weekend MR, 6260, in EG during special NAM test 2-15 0530-0602 when pgm seemed to stop though carrier remained. Rock mx, many IDs, asking for rpts to Arran Close QTH. Not to strong and knocked around by intermittent UTEs but many IDs hrd. (Berg, MA)+++Syncom 48, 6265, tentative in EG 0612; anncr reading letters and giving info on other pirates. Queen mx but heavy UTE QRM. Vy poor and no ID hrd. (Gavaras, MN)+++R. Nolan Int., 6270, noted 0615 2-22 during retest for overseas listeners. Men of Action theme 3x 0620, *0629 w/ clear text copied hoped being hrd in NZ. Rock mx w/ annmnts to 0729* peaking at good levels 0630. Drifting a bit and some RTTY on 6268½ Hrd no dedications or DXers names unlike first test. Reportedly 50w into longwire. Rpts to Vlagtwedde NL. (Bob Foxworth, NY)---Same *0630-0730*; fair w/ US pops, EG IDs, Box 11 Vlagtwedde QTH. Tnx

J. Santosuosso. (Krueger, FL)---Same *0630-0701. Poor w/ IDs by M and pops. (Moore, PA 2-22)
+++Midwest R., 6910, in EG 0255-0305* GMT SUN. Gave QTH as Acropolis, MN and said was supporting
Moral Majority. (Jim Conrad, IA)***I'm sure Jerry Falwell will be pleased. tba***Non-logs:
Neither the WPOT 7427 00-03GMT nor the WROI 6395 (0730-0900) tests promised for 2-22 were hrd
pointing again to the difference in philosophy between US and Euro pirates. Latter seem to
show a true commitment to b'casting the former simply fool around. Would have been more surprised
if either of the former had shown up. (Foxworth, NY)

SWAZILAND TWR, 4760, in GM or AK 0406. Uusal religious format. (tba)

USSR Murmansk, 5930, in RS 1218 w/ opera pgm // 5970 Alma Ata and 5990 Khabarovsk. (Moore, PA)

VENEZUELA R. Frontera, 4760, in SP 0258-0301*; M w/ closing annmets, NA. (Perdue, AL)

YEMEN ARAB REP Sanaa, 9780, in AR 2030-2110*; stringed instr mx, M vocal. AR ID 2100, Koran 2104.

NA 2109 and off. Good. (Gavaras, MN)

ZAIRE LV Zaire, 15245, in FR 0345-0430; continuous Afr mx to 0400, apparent nx by W to 0410,
more Afr mx w/ annmets by M. Frequent TCs as GMT+1 and two goods IDs 0410 and 0414. Vy strong.
(Lazarus, LA 2-24) ---Same 0410 good w/ highlife and IDs in FR by M. No sign of old // 15345.
(Krueger, FL 2-24)

A MYSTERY CLEARED UP: Tnx to all who wrote to say that the R. Orange reported in UD 85 was in
fact Casino w/ a long-standing EG pgm. tba

More excellent reports this time. Tnx to all.