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AFGHANISTAN Kabul (via USSR?), 3965, in lang 0140 // 4450, 4740, 7196. 3965 poor, others fair or good. Qur'an chants. (David Crawford, FL 3-13)

ANGOLA Luanda, 4820, in PT 2310-20; fair in UTE. PT and EG mx, M anncr, mentions of Luanda. (Stu Klein, NJ)

BELIZE RBelize, 3285, in EG 0310; vy good. End of BBC nx, local weather and forecast for next day. (Jack Jones, MI 3-14)***Well heard here most evenings. tba

BOLIVIA R. Padilla, 3480a, presumed in SP 0023-38; making annual seasonal appearance. Bad static and QRM but noted a number of SP vocals by M and M anncr 0030. Then somewhat excited talk. Continuing w/ talk at tune out. Should improve. (John Moritz, OH 3-23)

BRASIL R. Educ. Rural Coari, 2490, in PT 0208-31*; mix of PT mx and PT covers of things like "House of the Rising Sun" at 0212. M anncr in between. Into closing anncmts by him 0225 and ID noted. Then anthem and plug. Running late. (Moritz, OH 3-15)+++Rdf Maranhao, 4755, in PT 0835-40; very good. PT accordion mx, M anncr, w/ ID mentioning onda corta and banda tropical, vy strong but overmodulated. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++R. Rural Santarem, 4765, in PT 0830-35; very good. Nice PT pop mx, M anncr, ID, TC, chatter and more mx. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++R. Educ. Braganca, 4825, in PT 0840-45; very good (no UTE). EzL mx, M&W talking. Mentioned Braganca, more mx. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++R. Araguaia, 4905, in PT 0910-15; very good. PT pop mx selection, M annce w/ reverb TC ID, two ads, talk and more mx. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++R. Pioneira de Teresina, 5015, in PT 0224-41; first time in a number of years. W in PT mellow vocals, some with a decided though restrained bossa nova beat. M anncr between and ID by him 0227 which included frequency. Fairly decent signal in absence of UTE QRM. Falshy electronic bit between songs every now and then. (Moritz, OH 4-4)+++R. Borborema, 5025, in PT 0245-59; good. Mostly vocals by M, catchy little taped number between tunes w/ breathy W, followed by M w/ simple but effective "Borborema." (Moritz, OH 4-4)

CANADA CKZN, 6160, in EG 0950; fair. Weather for St. Johns, talk about life and times of Knute Rockne. One ID as CBN. (Jones, MS 3-31)

CHAD R. Mondou, 5288, tentative 0510-25; fighting QRM w/ bits of M in FR and mx fading in and out. Lost completely to QRM by t/out. (Moritz, OH 4-2)

CHINA Zhejiang PBS, 2475, in CH 1130; W anncr and wailing, deep fades. (Crawford, FL 3-19)+++ Re my 3-14 report (In UD 136. tba) Nei Monggol PBS on 7200/6974 is the Mongolian net rather than the Chinese. WRTH is wrong. New unlisted CPBS-1 outlets are 6110 way under VOA around 1310 and 7525 around 1520. (Bob Hill, CA 3-19)

CLANDESTINE LV de Nicaragua Libre, 6225a, in SP 0330-48; moved here as of 3-22 w/ usual pgm of M&W in hot political talk. Many IDs. (Moritz, OH) LV de Sandino taking over 6225 0410-30 w/ M anncr in interesting EG rant. References to Eden Pastora and "the time has come for our revolution." Back to SP 0425 w/ a couple of IDs. (Moritz, OH 3-22)

COLOMBIA R. Guatapuri, 4816, in SP 0007-25; back after a short absence though power still not up to snuff. Noticias and some sort of remote b'cast from a guy mixing comments with the anncr. A couple of singing promos and clear ID 0023. (Moritz, OH 3-24)+++R. Juventud, 4900, in SP 0315-20; good. Hard rock mx and anncmts by M. (Scott Warnor, SC 3-19)+++Armonias del Caqueta, 4915, in SP *1010-15; very good. NA played twice, chimes M anncr w/ s/on proceedings. (Klein, OH 4-4)

***R. Macarena, 5973+ in SP 1050; good. Typical Colombian mx pgm. Many IDs and TCs. NBC-like chimes 1101, ID, call as HJKT on 1080 MW but could not get rest of ID. (Jones, MS 3-30)---Same 0027-55 w/ taped ID at half hour including all of Jack's material plus call HJHZ, 5975 for SW and anncmt for Todelar. Strong but heavy BBC QRM. Net news 0055. (Crawford, FL 4-4)---Same, 1040-50 including ID and MW call, local mx, ID, talks, ads for Villavicencio firms. Tnx Fergie. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++R. Super de Cali, 6130, in SP 0540-57; wild program of fast-paced tropical numbers and equally wild dj. Lots of arcade blasting sounds between songs and many IDs. (Moritz, OH 3-27)

ECUADOR LV del Rio Carrizal, 3260, tentative in SP 0243-0302; mix of tropical numbers, ballads and serious stuff. M anncr briefly in 0257 but no ID noted. (Moritz, OH 3-15)+++R. Iris, 3381, in SP 1121; very strong. ID, TC for 6:21, Latin mx, M anncr. John Wilkins, CO 3-14)+++R. Federacion, 4960, in SP *1033-38; vy good. NA by childrens chorus, chanting in lang by M. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++Rdf. Tarqui, 4977, in SP 1053; good. Prgm in progress. ID just before NA at 1100.

Nx pgm w/ mentions of "R. Puyambaro" (maybe name pf pgm or slogan), one ID with freqs (listing 4970). Tnx Lazarus for ID. (Jones, MS 3-31)

***FALKLAND IS FIBS in EG 0955 on 3958; pop and rock mx, ID 1000 and brief nx and weather. (Jones, MS 3-29)---Same 0918-1040; pop mx, ID, Brekafast show. Weather 1000, TC1024. No ham problems here. Faded 1040. (Don Hosmer, MI 4-5)

GABON Africa No. 1, 7200, in FR 1500+; long path. Bouncy Afr pops and Fr anncmts. Slight het from Afghanistan and better than 15200. Killed by USSR carrier 1520. (Hill, CA 3-19)

GHANA GBC-1, 4915, in EG 0600-15; nx by M and talk of ration cards and economic recovery program. (Warnor, SC 3-19)

GUINEA LV de la Revolution, 5025 in FR 0615-45; vy good. M chanting in lang, w/ chorus to 0631 when M anncr w/ ID, local mx, ID, more mx. T/out at 0645. 4910 absent; new freq or error? (Klein NJ 4-4)****IMPORTANT. SEE BELOW tba

GUYANA GBC, 5950, in EG 0235-0300*. Religious pgms to 0248, mx, nx and off. (Warnor, SC 3-18)

HONDURAS El Eco de Honduras, 6000, in SP *1057; good. Anthem, short devotional pgm, ID as R. Variadades and into usual early morning ranchera mx pgm. (Jones, MS 3-24)

IRAQ The "clandestine" R. Iran sometimes shows under powerful BBC on 7180 around 1415 w/ political exhortations in Farsi. On 3-19 pgm concluded 1434 but test tone remained on to 1458 when 4-note IS played a dozen or more times and several IDs noted. (Hill, CA)

IRELAND R. Dublin, 6910, in EG 0508-19; Christopher Cross, Annrcr informing that phone line was open and into more rock mx. Fine sig, just static crashes. TCs one minute fast. (Moritz, OH 3-27)

IVORY COAST Abidjan, 4940, in FR 0610-15; fair. M dj, chatter, FR pops and African mx, mention of Abidjan. (Klein, NJ 4-4)

KENYA VoK, 4915, in SH 0315-0400; pop mx in various langs, ID and time pips 0400. (Warnor, SC)

KIRIBATI RK, 16433, in EG 0615-35; box number, flight arrivals, tide information and mx a la 30s. (BBC relay?) (Warner, SC 3-20)

LIBERIA ELWA, 3230, in vern 0625-33; fine level. M anncr, seeming political talk. 0630 chorus of W, M anncr, EG ID and back into verns. (Moritz, OH 3-20)+++ELBC, 3255, 0633-39; also fine signal. EG religious pgm. (Moritz, OH 3-20)

MEXICO Su Pantera, 6105, in SP 0449-0500*; "Workin' on the Chain Gang," more fifties r&r, J. Geils and M annrcr in a couple of times w/ "discorama" and a number of IDs by same. Brief anthem OC and plug. (Moritz, OH)---Same *1130 NA, s/on annrcmts over "Let It Be", panther snarls, quiet vocals, ads, M annrcr. Vy good. (Wilkins, CO 3-14)

MOZAMBIQUE Maputo, 3211, in PT 0347-0408; rock mx like Styx a/ tune in, combined w/ pops and PT/Afr tunes. M annrcr between songs. Chimes 0400 and into some kind of participation pgm w/ annrcr giving repetitive bit over instrumental mx. Almost fair. (Moritz, OH 4-2)***Have hrd same pgm John and surmise that the 0400 slot is given over to exercise pgm or some such.tba

NIGERIA Lagos, 3326, in EG 2303-06*; very heavy QRM. M ending nx w/ mention of Nigeria. NA and off. (Moritz, OH 4-3)

NORTHERN MARIANAS KYOI, 11900, in EG 1200; vy good. Also in JP as well. R&R mx, IDs. (Wilkins)

PERU R. Huanta, 4755, in SP 1005; poor; local mx, TC and ID as R. Huanta del Peru. (Jones, MS 3-31)---Same 4756, 1000-05; bad het. M annrcr, tail end of ID, calls, etc. Then flutes. (Klein, NJ 4-2)+++R. San Martin, 4810, in SP 1010-15; good. Nice High Andean mx, M annrcr, fast ID/TC and more of same mx. (Klein, NJ 4-2)+++LV de la Selva, 4825, in SP 1005-10; fair. MoR mx, M annrcr, TC, talk, ID more mx. (Klein, NJ 4-4)+++R. Tropical, 4935, in SP 1030-35; good. Very nice Andean mx, M w/ talk, 2 ads, ID/freq, more mx. (Klein, NJ 4-2)+++R. Andina, 4996, in SP 1025-30; excellent. M annrcr, very excited, shouting about great mx on R. Andina. Then he played some. (Klein, NJ 4-2)+++R. Moyobamba, 5015, in SP *1020-25; vy good. NA, M annrcr, echo effect ID, calls, freq, QTH as " desde la capital del departamento de San Martin. (Klein, 4-2)+++R. Imagen, 5035, in SP 1040-45; fair. El Condor Pasa by local amateurs (vy off key), M annrcr, ID, TC, talk. (Klein, NJ 4-2)+++R. Libertad de Junin, 5040, in SP 1015-20; excellent. Peruvian flutes, M annrcr, ID, pgm slogan, fast talk and more mx. (Klein, NJ 4-2)+++R. Santa Cruz, 5340, tentative 0143-0215 w/ folkloric vocals and M annrcr through heavy RTTY. No ID noted. One possible mention of Cajamarca, though. (Crawford, FL 4-4)+++R. Oriente, 6189, in SP *1035; good. NA, "Buenos dias," ID, freqs and local mx. (Jones, MS 3-24)+++R. Satellite, 6724, in SP 0328*; just in time to hear ID by W, short NA and off. Fair. (Jones, MS 3-14)

SARAWAK RMS Kuching, 4950, in EG 1250; M w/ talk on relations between ASEAN group and Latin America. Quite good level. (tba)

SENEGAL Dakar, *0658-0705; vy good. IS to quick NA 0700, M annrcr in FR. Freq 4890. (Klein, NJ 4-4)

SOMALIA R. Mogadischu, 6790rf, in lang 0425; back here again after excursion on 6095. Fair. (Crawford, FL 4-4)

SOUTHWEST AFRICA SWABC, 3270 presumed in lang 2319-35; John Denver's "Calypso" followed by more pops and MoR tunes. M in lang 2332. (Moritz, OH)---Same, 3295, in apparent AK 0410-24 w/ caliope followed by M&W alternating in talk. ID 0416 and more talk to 0420 when chamber mx on organ. (Moritz, OH 4-2)

TAIWAN VoFC broadcasts on 7130 w/ FS xmsns while simultaneously xmtng on 7129 in std CH!!! This ultimate example of the world of freq management can be found every morning around 1400 or so. 7130 goes off 1610 while 7129 continues to 1620. WRTH confirms this decidedly odd arrangement. (Hill, CA)

TOGOLama Kara, 3222, in FR 0608-25; in very well except for occasional static crashes. M w/ nx, mellow Afr mx. Several mentions of Togo and ID during break in nx. (Moritz, OH 3-20)

USSR Vladivostok, 4040, in RS 1230-1300 w/ Mayak IS and nx by M. Fair. (tba)+++Petropavlovsk, 4485, in RS 1245-1300; RS folk songs and M annrcr. Fair. (tba)+++Ashkhabad, 4825, dominating over Vladivostok but tentative due to following: local pgms to 1250 when site ID and IS. Unusual since local pgm site IDs are usually on quarter hour. Couldn't piece together a text. but Vladivostok definitely underneath. (tba)

VIETNAM Bihn Tri Thien, 4652v, 1337+ w/ M&W annrcrs swapping the mike to 1359 cutoff. On 3-18 was on 4648 from 1318 tune. M&W alternating 10 minute talks cut off suddenly 1356. Audio quality suggests utility xmtr. (Hill, CA 3-21)

