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A fine turnout to start UD's seventh year:

ALASKA KNLS, 11820, in EG and RS *0900. Vy weak. Trumpet notes IS, "radio station KNLS-- new life." Into presumed RS. Just able to get ID. (Jones, MS 8-3)---Same, 17880, with test tape to 2342* from 2328. Chorus of Go Tell It on the Mountain, ID and QTH. Over and over and over . . . (Don Hosmer, MI)

BENIN Parakou, 5025, in lang and FR 0500; vy strong. Afr chanting w/ hollow log drum mx, M anncr in FR between selections. (Stu Klein, NJ)

BOLIVIA R. Padilla, 3476, in SP 0117-45; W anncr, some spot anncmts by M, LA mx, ballads, many vocals, TCs and several IDs. (Barto, CT)+++R. Movima, 4473, in SP 0100-15; several vocals, flute mx and ID 0100. Heavy SP UTE QRM. (Barto, CT)+++R. Riberaita, 4696, in SP 0100-20; commentary or political talk. Unusual but was dual Abaroa 4720. Expected others to be // with this but found none. (Barto, CT)

BRAZIL R. Tapuio, 3295, in PT 0120; fair. Clear ID, PT pop mx, ad. Noted another stn underneath which could be SWAfrica. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Cult. Araraquara, 3365, tentative in PT 0213-50; DJ prgm w/ atypical format. Sounded like 50s-style LA mx. Freq. Mentions of Araraquara. Presumed ID 0232 and 0245. (Nathan Murff, NM 7-24)+++ R. Tabajara, 4795, in PT 0145. Fair. M w/ talk, into accordian mx, then stn promo. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Bare, 4895, in PT 0115; good. M anncr, TC, ID, into accordian mx, ad, stn promo, more accordian mx. (Klein, NJ)+++ R. Dragao do Mar, 4925, in PT 0105; vy good. Much stn hype, promos, TC "en Dragao", samba mx. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Marajoara, 4955, in PT 0135; fair. PT pops and accordian mx, M anncr, talk, IDs, TCs. This one usually hrd in evenings and Cult. Campos in early mornings before this signs on. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Timbira, 4975, in PT 0130; good. In nicely with UTE off. PT pop mx, M anncr, TC, talk, ID, ad and more mx. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Poti, 4965, in PT 0140; fair/poor. PT pops, W anncr w/ talk, barely made the ID. Bad het. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Nac. da Amazonia, 6120, in PT 0918. Xmtr cutting off at intervals, same w/ audio feed. Mixed bag of prgm material, mx, talk, chatter (w/ echo), ads for Suzuki, Alka-Seltzer. Heard 8-3 and believe s/on 0800. Joins net at 1000 w/ other R. Nac. stns. Powerful. (Jones, MS 8-1,3)

BURUNDI Bujumbura, 3330, in lang 0340-52; seemed to be a commentary on African nx events. Weak. (Barto, CT7-19)***This one never makes it past CHU here. tba

CAMEROUN Buea, 3970, in lang 2245; fair. Surprised to have this at decent level and relatively free of AROs. Running local prgm od pseudo hi-life mx, M host, sounding like from other side of grave. (Klein, NJ)+++Bafoussam, 4000, in lang 2240; fair. Slight QRM off AROs. Carries local prgm at this time, chanting w/ drums and M anncr. (Klein, NJ)+++Douala, 4795, in vern talk 0520. Very Good. M anncr, mention Yaounde, R. Cameroun IS 0530 and Yaounde relay. Also noted afternoons 2200-2310*. Carries Yaounde to 2215 then local prgms to s/off. Easily as powerful as Yaounde 4850. (Klein, NJ)+++Yaounde, 4850, in FR 0530. Noted in passing w/ M anncr giving nx round-up. (Klein, NJ)+++Yaounde, 4972½, in lang 2255; fair. Not // 4850. IDed as Yaounde 2300 into nx also not // 4850 or other outlets. Don't remember hearing this before. (Klein, NJ)***This one is Provincial Service and 4850 is National Service. tba*** Garoua, 5010, in FR 0510; fair. AR-style chanting, M anncr. Prgm here has much more Arabic flavor to it. Usually leads off w/ Koran at s/on. (Klein, NJ)

CENTRAL AFRICAN REP. R. Centrafrique, 5036, in FR 2240-2300½*. Rather strong so suspect 100 kW xmtr back in full swing. Afro hi-life mx, couple of clear IDs by M 2259. Brief orch anthem to plug. (Reinstein, FL 8-7)---same, 2225. Noted w/ M annct talking about Chad and Libya. They're on Chad's side. (Klein, NJ)

CHILE R. Minería, 9750, in SP 1107; good. Chimes, ID (B. dias, R. Minería), followed by mx prgm of LA ballads. Het on channel. (Jones, MS 7-24)

CLANDESTINE R. Mambi, 7076, in SP 0003-0008*. Weak signal in CW blitz. Anti-communist commentary and ID by M as "R. Mambi, LV de la Junta Patriótica Cubana." Also noted FM spurs on 7518 and 6634 (442 kHz). First heard 7-22 and this first time since bust in early '82. (Reinstein, FL 8-10)+++LV del Alpha 66, 7038.2, in SP *0059-0128*, a regular again after nearly 1½ years of silence. Typical A66 prgm; IS, ID, theme song and anti-Castro talk by Andres Nazario Sargen. Annecd 7050 M-F at 9 pm. Wonder why this sudden flurry of anti-Castro activity. Perhaps fed up w/ CID? (Reinstein, FL 8-10)

DOMINICAN REP. R. Earth Int., 11700, now being jammed so that only a het makes it through and source or jamming is R. Moscow. Wonder Why?!?!? (Conrad, IA)

ECUADOR Sistema de Emisora Atalaya, 4792, in SP 0350-4000. In w/ all anncmts. Splash from Atlantida (Barto, CT)+++Same, 1102, w/ ID by M, bugle call, into prgm w/ some reverb called "Radioinformativo Nacional." (Jones, MS)

GUINEA RTG, 15309.4, in verns/FR 2115-2210; long talk by 2M and 1 W in vern. T/C 2200 by W and FR ID: "la Radiodiffusion Television de la Republique Populaire Revolutionnaire du Guinee." Into nx. Good. (Reinstein, FL 8-7)

HONDURAS R. Progreso, 4920, in SP 0101-35; fair at best w/ UTE QRM and het from Quito. Full ID at t/in, lots of stn promos and fanfare. 0135:"R. Progreso presenta Honduras Natural" but not sure of last word. Tnx tip W.J. Parks. (Reinstein, FL 7-21)

INDONESIA RRI Jakarta, 3277, in IN 1150-1200. W dj prgm of Indo vocal mx. 1258 then SCI and nx. (Murff, NM 8-3)+++RRI Sorong, 4875, in IN 1135-1200; W dj w/ rock and roll mx prgm. ID 1145 then usual Indo pop mx.to nx at 1200. (Murff, NM 8-1)***Time check on 3277 please. tba

IRELAND R. Dublin Int., 6910, can be heard as early as 2130 here. Signal builds with darkness and by 0100 can be s9+ at times. Excellent prgming material. (Barto, CT)

IVORY COAST Abidjan, 4940, in FR 2235, good. Local mx on harps and percussion, M anncr in FR and lang, mention of Abidjan. (Klein, NJ)

MEXICO XEM throwing FM spurs consistently in the region of 14895-900. Can't seem to find the center channel but this is a mess. (Rankin, KS)

NAMIBIA RSWA, 3295 // 3270 comes in nightly from 0200 onwards. 3295 usually appears earlier and is stronger than 3270. (Barto, CT)

PERU R. Inca, 4762½, in SP 0440; fair. Peruvian flutes, M anncr w/ clear ID, still on 0530 recheck. (Klein, NJ) +++R. Cult. Amauta, 4955, in SP *1102. ID, Onward Christian Soldiers, ID by M. Talk by W in Indian lang. Fair. (Jones, MS 8-8)+++R. Andina, 4996, in SP 0100; good. Nice prgm of local mx, nuaynos, talk, several mentions of Andina, TCs, etc. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Libertad de Junin, 5040, in SP 0450-0510; several IDs, excellent mx. Fair. (Barto, CT)+++R. Eco, 5112, in SP 0249-0300; vocals, ID by M and several anncmts. Usually very clear and audible. (Barto, CT)+++R. Vision, 5360, in SP 0220; fair. Nice huaynos, mx selections on bread flutes and other really nice local stuff. (Klein, NJ)+++R. Nacional, 6095, in SP 0229-40; M anncr, ad for Banco Armijo, nx headlines and into live sports prgm. (Murff, 8-5-83)+++R. Nacional, 6096, in SP 1106. Good. Yippy Peruvian mx, heavy on flutes, Id and anncmt by W, ID by M and mention of at least two stns carrying nx that followed. (Jones, MS 7-23)

PHILIPPINES, Radio ???, 3286, in EG 1202-11; EG, M anncr w/ nx. Mentioned Indonesia, Philippines, and PNG. Gave South Pacific weather forecast. Then into talk and mx prgm. IDs as this is the Philippines b'casting from Manila." UTE on freq. Poor but readable though. (Murff, NM 8-3,4)Vy nice. ID is correctly DPI Radio One per TBS, but all checks with this official outlet. Believe this may be a first report. It surely is to UD. Nice work. tba***R. 1557, 6170, in EG 1247-1307; M anncr, US format talk and mx prgm. ID as "This is the Philippines b'casting from Manila" and "R. 1557." Answered request from Fiji for inclusion of that island group in South Pacific wx report. Poor modulation and slop from Korea on 6175. (Murff, NM 8-4)

SENEGAL Dakar, 4892, in FR 2220; vy good. Seems to have drifted a bit, w/ M in FR on Chad situation. (Klein, NJ)

TANZANIA Dar es Salaam, 5050, in SH 0325-0403 when lost in QRM. Mentions of Dar es Salaam, local mx before 0344. Some RTTY QRM. (Hosmer, MI)

VENEZUELA R. Nacional, 9540, in SP *1100. Good. High-pitched chimes IS. NA 1102. ID followed. (Jones, MS 7-15)

ZANZIBAR RTVZ, 3339, in SH 0310-30; local mx, many anncmts by M. Weak but clear. (Barto, CT)

In the scan section this time we have what I hope will be the first of a continuing series of logs from our friends in Japan. Takayuki Inoue sends a fascinating compilation of his reports from Japan. They should be of interest to you not only to show what DXing is like in Japan but to spotlight some stations from Latin America not often reported here. Remember, if a stn is being reported in Japan, chances are it's also possible here. Without further ado:

Argentina R. El Mundo, 11754.5, in SP 0800-0835* 7-16. Program "Trasnchando por El Mundo." Every 30 minutes, "El Boletin Sintetico," presented by Bardahl SA. Closing anncmt: En este instante 5:30, finaliza su transmision nuestra emisora de onda corta LRX en 11755 kHz banda de 25m servicio que Radio El Mundo reaudara a las 2200 simultaneamente incia su transmision nuestra emisora de onda corta LRU en 15290 kHz de 19m.

Bolivia R. Ichiro, 5076.6 (believe spelling on this may be Ichilo, but not yet sure--tba) in SP 1045-1100+ 7-25. CP mx and talk by M, ID as "esta es R. Ichiro" or "R. Ichiro, Bolivia." ----- R. Juan 23, 4964.9, in SP fair to good in July. *1000v+Folklorico, religiosa mx and talks by M and W. Nice ID every 30 minutes. "1450 kHz onda media y 4960 kHz onda corta, R. Juan XXIII, Santa Cruz, Bolivia."

Brazil R. Nacional de Amazonia, 6120 nf, in PT good 0945-1007 8-1. IDs and nice local mx. (Also being heard here--see above tba)

We'll continue with this new feature next time.

Let me finish with a brief and continuing note of thanks to all who've made the last six years of UDing so much fun for me. (Yes, I've edited this column since Mid-August 1977!!!) I hope that the next six are as much fun for you as they will be for me. Keep those cards and letters coming in folks, and special tnx to those who've sent regards on changes in my marital status and place of residence. Tnx to all.