

# update

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UPCOMING DEADLINES: 20 August (Sept) 10 Sept (Mid-Sept) 20 Sept (Oct)

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ALGERIA RTA noted on 7-11 on new 15205 from 1450 with Arabic music; four pips at 1500, then ID ("Huna Jazair...") and talk. Weak plus co-channel QRM as well as splatter from Afirca No. 1 on 15200. Still there at 1850 recheck mixing with VOA. (Bob Hill, MA)

ANGOLA Tentative. What I suspect to have been the wandering R. Nac. de Angola found on 4737 (7-23 only) from 2245 with soft orchestral selections and occasional brief anncmts in PT. At 2335, into what seemed a live concert presenting a variety of local mx--some highlife, some latin sounding, some in the manner of American folk songs. Off 0111 after a march/anthem, but had returned when checked again at 0304. Weak and very low speech audio. Not there since, despite daily tries, so probably has moved once again. (Hill, MA)

CHINA On 7-23, Xinjiang PBS, 4735, heard at amazing level and clarity at 2300 s/on. Usual six pips ( 5 plus one at higher pitch), then the first few notes of "East is Red" played several times as IS, and finally s/on anncmts by M and W in Uighur. On subsequent evenings has been barely audible. (Hill, MA)

GUINEA Conakry has been showing up from time to time on 7218v since observed 7-20 around 2330 at fine volume with US and Euro pop songs; dual 4910. Gone at 0004 retune. Operation on 41 meters obviously erratic. (Hill)

INDIA A real midsummer treat recently has been AIR showing on 3905 in early evenings. First noted 7-19 at 0000 with loud, clear "AIR" ID and then talk in local language; into sitar and vocal 0001, then another ID 0005. Also heard on 2305 on 7-25 but not nearly as well. (Hill, MA)

PAKISTAN RP heard on 11810 from 1735, plaintive subcontinental song by W vocalist; closing anncmts in EG at 1744, then into presumed Urdu after ID ("Yeh R. Pakistan"). Next day 1645 s/on was audible but clobbered by slop from R. Marti on 11815. (Hill, MA 7-23, 24)

SAUDI ARABIA Unknown site of BSKSA found on 15169 (just below DDR) from 1815 with typical Arabic talk, music and dramatic dialog, all // 9870. No ID at 1900. Modulation is very similar to RFE. (Hill, MA 7-22)

SINGAPORE BBCFES has been showing quite regularly on 3915 around 2245-2315 since 7-18, although seldom at readable strength. Big Ben is usually audible at 2245, and occasional bits of EG can also be discerned. Surprising this early in the season. (Hill, MA)

SRI LANKA The 6185 outlet of DW's Trincomalee relay observed from 2055 with that all-too-familiar DW IS interspersed with EG IDs till 2100 s/on when mixes with another stn also opening then. No specific references to Sri Lanka heard in IDs (although they may be given), but the weak, flutery signal leaves no doubt as to its origin. (Hill, MA)

USA KCBI, 11790, in EG 2045-2100 w/ "Radio Earth SW Pandemonium." Apparent ad for restaurant in Indianapolis, giving its address as Box 55346, Indianapolis, IN 46205. Annrcs John Widmer, Mac Thompson talked about NUvention played jazz music and then Jeff White gave schedule for R. Earth: 0800-1100 on 7295 and 18-2100 on 11790. Gave address for R. Earth reception rpts as Box 321, Chicago, IL 60666. Then KCBI ID, address, slogan as National Radio of Texas. "Eyes of Texas." (Martin Gallas, IN 8-11)

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More soon.

Best 73, *TA*