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BOLIVIA R. Santa Ana, 4749.0, in SP 0204-18*; various short mx selections, 0215 chorale (anthem?), 0217 s/off anncmts, ID "Santa Ana+Radio" (heard the name several times and pronounced like the name of the mx group "Santana," as one word). Fair 2-1, but most nights is unusable. (Ron Howard, CA)

MALAYSIA RMalaysia, 4970(P), 1553-1600*; tuned to hear Koran recitation till 1556 when male speaker gave an ID for Radio Malaysia, some prgm notes, followed w/ broadcasting review, another ID, this time mentioning site as Kota Kinabalu. NA at 1558 w/ sign-off at 1600. Good signal but bad RTTY qrm. (Kusalik, AB 1-14)

PERU R. Madre de Dios, 4950.0, in SP 0138-58*, Peruvian mx, anthem 0156, fair 1-21. (Howard, CA) +++R. Moyobamba, 5015.4, in SP 0051-0155*; variety mx, 0100 ID: "Transmite Radio Moyobamba. Este es de capital en departamento de San Martin, Republica de Peru." Fair in late January. (Howard, CA)

SARAWAK RMKuching, 4950, in at 1540-1559:30. Noted morning of January 14, 1986, with a request/listener's program called "Studio 86" with songs by Dan Forburger. At 1557 there was a very clear ID for "This is Radio Malaysia, Kuching," then gave a review of broadcasting times and shortwave frequencies, s/off anncmts, good night message. NA 1558 w/ s/off 1559:30. A beautiful signal, 5-10 db over s9 with a near "5" reading. (Kusalik, AB) *****

Some very fine Indo loggings this time from friends Ed Kusalik in Alberta and Hitoshi Miyashita in Japan. We turn to Ed's reports first:

- 3264M RRI Bundung, Java, 1631-1705. Heard this stn, which I believe to be as Bundung from 1631 t/in to 1705*. Heard a variety program with live audience, with songs, laughter, till 1659, then ID for RRI only, no SCI but pause till 1700. Hrd a low-key nxcast following (possibly Jakarta but poor audio connection) then short anthem (a few bars), short anncmts by M, quick ID for RRI Bundung, then pulled plug at 1705. (1-12)
- 3231M RRI Bukittinggi, Sumatera, 1554-1630 t/out. Heard with "lagu popular," some in EG till 1559, nice ID for RRI stasiun Bukittinggi, a few bars of SCI, then relay of Jakarta nx from 1600. Short anthem after nx at 1604:30, another ID, and program notes by W. This was followed by variety program of EG songs such as "Where this Place called Loneliness BE", "Single Girl," etc. Noted to 1630, when signal faded under noise. Exceptional signal from this stn. (1-12)
- 3264M RRI Bengkulu, Sumatera, 1537-1554; heard with nice clear ID for RRI Bengkulu at 1538, short talk, into Koran recitation till 1542. Another clear ID for Bengkulu, followed by "Love Ambon" with s/off anncmts intermixed with anthem, mention of freqs and meter bands, and the "selamat malan" (good night.) Off 1553:30 with carrier off 1554. Strong signals during nice opening to Sumatera. (1-12)
- 3960M RRI Palu, Sulawesi, 1540-1550*. Noted at t/in with some nice "Lagu Popular" tunes by vocal group till 1546:30 when M speaker came on with short anncmt, no ID. This was followed by "Love Ambon" to 1548 when M came in with a very nice ID for "Radio Republik Indonesia, Palu," followed by s/off anncmts, mentions of freqs and meter bands, and good night messages. Off w/ another stn ID for Palu. Love Ambon till 1550*. (1-13)
- 3975M RRI Surabaya, Java, 1640-1658*. Noted at t/in w/ discussion about Islam, then nice ID for RRI, Surabaya at 1644, w/ mention of "musik di Indonesia." This was followed by some beautiful love ballads in Indo by W singer. 1656:30 song titles given, ID for Surabaya. At 1657:30 there were short music notes, no anthem and off at 1658. Nice signal till s/off. Haven't noticed Surabaya for a while even on the best Indo mornings.
- 4000M RRI Kendari, Sualwesi, 1529-53*. Noted from 1529 with a couple of IDs for RRI but no station name. Local nx bulletin at 1530 followed with melodies till 1550 when M speaker came on w/ anncmts, mention of stn name, freqs and mbs, all w/ Love Ambon in background. Rest of Love Ambon played till 1553*. (1-13)

Many thanks to Ed for these reports. Now on to Hitoshi Miyashita's reports from Japan for the period of early January 1986:

- 2492.1 (Mataram?) -1600-1900- in December and January. Very heavy QRM from V of Strait on 2490 makes it almost inaudible. at least not // 2901, checked once.
- 3355.3 Jambi, *1700-1830- in December '85-January. All night daily here. Unheard around 1500. Wonder where it is between 4927's s/off and s/on for this.
- 3945.5 Ternate -1300- (regular s/off of this outlet may be 1400) and -1700-1900- all night, often only on this freq in late 1985. Different prgming from 3345/3916, seems to be special prgm for local area of Ternate. All night prgm is not b'cast continually. Many tnx Yasushi Ichikawa (FERC "Log" editor) for reviewing my tape. (It is recorded to 1400*, the closing anncmt w/ Rayuan Pulau Kelapa of YL chorus. Per his report, annced 76.6 M for this freq.
- 3946.1 Tanjung Karang, 1700* off w/ Love Ambon and sometimes all night. Has been wrongly listed as Jakarta in some other surveys. Must be ex-3955 which hasn't been reported in several years. // 3349.9. Suspect that this relays Jakarta prgms for all night segment most of the time.
- 3995.1 Pontianak to 1600* s/off extended one hour from last monitoring in 5-85, also on // 3345.0. Apparently s/off during course of prgms.
- 4866.6 Wamena, -0900-1200- here in early December 1985. See also 5043.6.
- 5043.6 Wamena, -0830-1200- returned here from mid-December.
- 5045.1 (Jayapura) -1100- noted very poorly at Miyako DXpedition in December '85-Jan 86, QRMing Rioja on same freq. Hrd in Tokyo at -0900- but not at -1100-.
- 5046v Yogyakarta, -1000-2100- still all night on this channel. EG nx at 1130.
- 5451v Biak, *0800a-1200*. Till 0800 and after 1200 seems to be on 7210.6. Too loose about the time for the frequency change. Sometimes in 1985 noted on reverse turn--on 7211 at *0800-1200* and on 5451v before and after that. See also 5500.5
- 5500.5 Biak QSY from 5451v from late December 1985. Sked same as above.
- 5882v/5886v Pekan Baru--see below.
- 5894v/4895v Pekan Baru QSY from 5882v/5886v from fall 1985. Times as previously reported in FRENEX. Reports of this still on lower freqs are questionable.
- 5987.5 Manado irregularly used instead of 3215 in 1985.
- 6069.9 Jayapura -0800- seems here with very poor signal in Jan 1986.
- 6127.5 Nabire -0900-1200-. S/off extended, maybe before 12-85. Unstable signal strength. EE noted 0845-0900 1-3-86. S/on of nigh xmsn is *0755, w/ IS, RRI opening mx and opening anncmts.
- 6553.5 Jakarta. Harmonic of 3277, sometimes better than fundamental.
- 7210.6 Biak. See 5451v above. Very low modulation.
- 9611.6 Jayapura, -0600-1100*. Almost no modulation during December 1985. Fair to poor signal, sometimes noyl heard "Rayuan Pulau Kelapa" before the nx . . . and no more.

Some additions:

- 4920.1 Tanjung Pinang, (*1400)-2000-. On all night, succeeding 3225. Never heard here Tanjung Karang which has been reported.
- 6188.4 Manokwari, inactive for night transmission on this freq recently. Only on 3986v?
- 9509.9 Ujung Pandang *0155 in January.

Many thanks to Hitoshi for this excellent survey.

More from Hitoshi and others next time. Until then,

Best 73,