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Your editor's Reading address, which was to be temporary anyway, turned out to be even more temporary than expected. The NEW new address is 15 Stirling Street, Andover MA 01810. Phone (617) 475-3183.

Tnx to this month's heroes: Sam BARTO, Bristol CT ... Chuck BOEHNKE, Keaau HI ... Rufus JORDAN, Pittsburgh PA ... Terry KELLY, Bodega Bay CA ... Gene PEARSON, Perrysburg OH ... Chuck RIPPEL, Virginia Beach VA.

ANTARCTICA: RNASG -- On 15473.8 with Latin mx, many ancts by W; IDs every quarter-hour. In nicely, although mod level of mx was only about half that of ancts. (Rippel 10/17) [No times given; lang assumed SP. -- BH]

CHINA -- CPBS-1, 4905, from 2240 in CH; F-G at first but P by 2300. // 5860 also audible at weaker level; both much poorer next day. Interesting grayline reception. (Pearson 10/25) (T) VO Strait, 5770, from 1130 with lively dialog in presumed CH till 1200*. (Jordan 10/20) CPBS Taiwan-1, 9380, from 0920 with EG; into presumed JP at 1000 // 9455. (Jordan 10/28) R. Beijing, 9665, from *0000 with EG ID, nx; extremely weak. (Jordan 10/19) RB, 15100, at 1131 in SP; lots of inspiring mx between cmntries. (Kelly)

CHINA VIA [?] -- R. Beijing heard on 9770 at 0315 with EG nx, cmntry, positive ID. Much too strong to be from China itself--it's all-daylight path at this hour--so perhaps new relay from somewhere in Western Hemisphere? French Guiana? (Boehnke 11/5)

COSTA RICA: R. for Peace Int'l -- On 7374v from 0157 with ragtime mx; at 0200 EG ID, into relig pgm. (Jordan 11/3)

ECUADOR: R. Baha'i -- On 4990.03 from 0125, M in SP interspersed with Andean folk instrs. At 0153 ID and freqs; 0154 another ID. At 0158, interesting IS of 16-note melody on electronically synthesized instr; s/off 0159. Channel open tonight with no sign of India (q.v.) and R. Ancash now up to 4991.2. (Pearson 10/28)

EGYPT: R. Cairo -- On 9475 at 0230 with W in EG; SIO 222. (Kelly)

(T) HONG KONG: BBC Relay -- On 5995 from 0927 with conclusion of EG financial report; at 0930 ID, TC, into presumed JP. F/O by 0945. (Jordan 10/28)

INDIA: AIR -- On 4990 with OC at 2346; unmistakable AIR IS at 2358; s/on 2400 in listed Tamil, though seemed 'All India Radio' anct in EG too. Weak. On replaying tape, could hear R. Baha'i chimes beneath. (Pearson 10/25) [Also try for // 3905; it's

sometimes F-G when ham QRM lets up. -- BH]

IRAQ: R. Baghdad -- On 7295 from 2230 with AR vocals and instrs; EG ID, skeds, address for reports. Off 2251 after patriotic chorus. (Jordan 11/1)

JAPAN: RJ -- On 9675 at 0511 with [EG?] nx, cmntry; SIO 444. [Is this a relay? -- BH] Also on 11700 at 1911 in EG; strong but with severe adjacent-channel USSR QRM. (Kelly)

KOREA, SOUTH: RK -- On 15375 at 2248 in unID Germanic tongue; G with some QSB. (Kelly) [Sked GM this time slot. -- BH]

NORWAY: RN -- Has been showing fairly well on 25730 most days since 11/2 around 1215 in Norwegian. Welcome sign of increasing sunspot activity. (BH)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA -- R. Morobe, 3220, at 1100 with M talk, then into local mx. Still P, but maybe in a few weeks ... (Rippel 10/12) R. Northern, 3345, at 1130 with exotic islands mx. Same format as other PNGs, so rules out RRI Ternate. (Rippel 10/12)

PERU: R. Altura -- On 3339v from 0440 with lively vocals and instrs, M voiceovers, promos; F by 0530. (Jordan 10/17)

TURKEY: VOT -- On new 9445 from 0235 with animated TK talk (seemingly drama); followed till 0310. (Jordan 10/25)

USSR: Kharkov -- On 4060 from 0150 past 0335 with R'stantsiya Rodina and Moscow pgms in RS. (Jordan 10/21)

VANUATU: RV -- On 7260 from 0945 with peppy instrs, FR talk and vocals to 1020. High QRM and slow QSB. (Jordan 10/13)

Sam Barto reports that, during a recent four-day (10/25-28) period, he logged 33 SWBC signals in the 6500-7000 kHz region between 2200 and 0230 UTC. With a couple of exceptions, most were unIDs in SP. Sam adds that he double-checked every signal, using various combinations of receivers and antennas in his elaborate setup, to eliminate any possibility of images or receiver spurs.

The DX season is in full swing, yet only a handful of reporters--usually the same faithful few--check in each month. If you want DXtra to continue, better start supporting it.

73/DX,

Bob