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Your editor has a new job, a new address and a new phone number. (Other than that, not much new.) See the masthead above for all the vital statistics.

Tnx to these FB OM's for sharing their latest DX catches with us this month: Dave CLARK, Newmarket, Ont. ... Terry KELLY, Bodega Bay, CA ... Gene PEARSON, Perrysburg, OH ... Bill SPARKS, San Francisco, CA.

ALGERIA: RTA -- The AR network is now on 15206v, rather than the previous 15133-15152v, and holds its own against VOA a kHz lower as noted around 1700 and later. Dual 11715 can be heard weakly after that channel clears around 1830. The 7145v xmtr begins to F/I around 1800 and builds to powerful level by 2000 or so--while 6160, if also in use, is always buried in the general muck of CKZN and others. (BH 9/13)

ANGOLA: RNA -- On 7214.8 at 0535 under Abidjan OC with W in PT running through usual morning exercises; covered by Abidjan after the latter *0545. Also noted // 3375.7 (still F), 4952.7 (G) and 9719.7 (weak); no sign of 11955. Most if not all these channels now on 24-hour sked. (Clark 8/31)

BANGLADESH: RBD -- On 15525 at 1235-1240 with EG nx/cmtry re relations with India, then ID for 'Overseas Svc of RBD'; gave freqs and continued with BG song. G, no // 12030 heard. (Clark 8/18)

BOLIVIA: R. 16 de Marzo -- On 4864.5 from 1012 with interesting folk mx; ID at 1028 '...Centro Minero Bolivar, Oruro, República de Bolivia, transmite...' Also hrd previously 3/26, 28 and 29 between 1000-1030, during which period s/on seems to occur randomly. (Pearson 9/1) [Nice item, Gene, and welcome to DXtra. -- BH]

CHINA -- Jiangxi PBS on seldom-used 2445 from 1250 with CH radio drama continuing past 1300 w/o pips or ID; strong both here and // 5020, the regular Jiangxi freq. (Sparks 8/8) RB, 15280, overriding co-channel R. Japan from 0402 with EG nx to NAM. No sign of new BBC Hong Kong relay yet. (Clark 8/30)

COOK IS.: RCI -- On 11760.1 from 0557 with EG ancts concerning land tracts available for 'occupation'; repeated anct in Maori at 0603, then back to EG with T/C and mx. G and clear this date (8/25); also VG on 8/30 at 0353-0425 with EG and MOR pops, mostly oldies. Usually has EG/Maori nx at 0400 on weekdays. (Clark)

FALKLAND IS.: FIBS -- On 3958 at 0527 with BFBS pgm of oldie pops; London mailing QTH given at 0545. Outstanding sig (whereas Africans were terrible) during major geomag storm. Also checked 2380, blocked by Brazil. (Clark 8/26)

GABON: ANO -- On 15475 at 2320 [sic] with Af mx; ID in FR at 2023. (Kelly) [Please be careful with time and freq quotes. -- BH]

INDIA: AIR -- On 4990 from 0040 with instr mx to brief s/off anct by W before 0044:30*. F this freq; // 3905 covered by hams. Not sure of 4990 xmtr site. (Clark 9/3)

INDONESIA -- RRI Gorontalo seems to have settled down on 3264.6, as noted 8/9 at 1045 with IN songs, local ID and talk by W. (Sparks) RRI Jakarta's Programa Nasional on 9679.9 from 1150 with vocals, W ancr in IN; ID 1159 and SCI thrice till warta berita at 1200. Switched to USB at 1201 to avoid OC and subsequent s/on of the XE on 9679.4. Mostly F this date (8/22); even better 8/31 at 1302+ // 6044.8. Jammer makes 11770 hopeless. (Clark)

LIBYA: SPLAJBC -- On 7235 (though ancg 7245) with AR till 2100, then EG ID and nx, with refs to Qaddafi's infamous Green Book. Powerful carrier poorly served by puny, telephone-quality audio making QRK tough thru co-channel DW. (BH 9/13)

MADAGASCAR: R. Madagasikara -- On 2494v vice 4960.4 since 8/3. One day (8/5) noted *0257 with IS, anthem, ID in FR. Followed with chants, Af mx, vernac talk to 0320 fade // 3287.6. Drifts 2492.9-2495.1. (Clark)

MARIANAS, NORTHERN: KYOI -- On 17780 at 0515-0532 with nonstop soft rock, EG ID for 'all-hit KYOI.' Weak; not on listed 17775. (Clark 8/18)

MONGOLIA: UBR -- On 9615.9 at 1215 with EG, mx; P and fading down after 1220. First time hrd this one with enough audio to confirm // to 12015, which was quite P and revealed no sign of usual co-channel Beijing. This on 8/24; unusual propagation before major geomag storm next day. The 12015 channel also hrd 8/20 with EG nx from 1203; ID and cmntry to 1217, when another ID: 'You are tuned to R. Ulan Bator.' On 9616, carrier but no audio. (Clark)

MOZAMBIQUE: RM -- On 9619.8 at 0500 with fanfare, ID in PT, nx; another ID at 0505 and into talk. F-G. (Clark 8/31)

NICARAGUA: LV de Nicaragua -- Back on 6100 with high pwr. Noted 8/15 at 0500 with ID's and noticias. (Sparks)

PAKISTAN: RP -- On 17660 from 0230 with EG nx to SEAsia till 0245:30*. Very weak and audio virtually gone by s/off; slightly better on // 15115.2v (other days varying down to 15113.5). (Clark 8/18)

(T) PERU -- On 4495, likely R. Contumaza around 0230 in SP; again *0925 with march. Pitifully weak and QRN'd. (BH 8/23) On 5618, perhaps R. Ilucán from 0030 with EZL mx and SP ancts between each selection. Very faint and continuously QRM'd by SSB net. (BH 8/29)

QATAR: QBS -- On 15265.6 at 1700 with '5+1' pips, ID in AR and world nx; F with adjacent QRM. (Clark 8/22)

SEYCHELLES: FEBA -- On 11870 at 0329 with closing anct in FS; off at 0330 after IS on 8/18. Also 8/20 at *0257 with FS ID 'Inja Radio FEBA.' Obviously moved from 11865 to avoid Abu Dhabi. (Clark)

SINGAPORE: BBC Relay -- On 3915 from 2320 with W in presumed IN; P and

on the way out. Able to track sig till 2344:30*. My first log of this channel, though carrier has often been present. (Clark 8/17)

SOUTH AFRICA: R. 5 -- Has moved to 9665 from 7170. G at 0517 with T/C, ads, pops, EG sports. (Clark 8/31)

TURKEY: VOT -- On 9560 at 0300 with IS, ID in EG, then nx and cmntry; SIO 222. (Kelly 8/29)

USSR: RM -- Causing all kinds of QRM on 49M with super-power SSB xmtr on 6067.7. Noted 8/16 from 0950 with JP past 1000. The sig must blow you out of your shack in Japan. (Sparks)

ZANZIBAR: RTZ -- On 6014.7 at 0330 with [SH?] nx till 0342, when ID and into local mx; F-G with QRM from R. El Mundo. This on 8/27; hrd again 8/31 at 0414 with clear ID as 'R. Tanzania' in presumed SH; weakening by 0425. (Clark)

(T) CLANDESTINE: AV do Gâlo Negro -- Up to 4975v at 0510 with modern Af pops; M in vernac. Off at 0532; no ID hrd. When tuning in ECSS, only the upper sideband produced audio. (Sparks 8/11)

CLANDESTINE: LV de CID -- On 9940 at 0008-0038 with SP cmntries, many ID's; lots of marching-type mx. (Kelly 8/28)

CLANDESTINE: R. VO Ethiopian Unity -- Presumed this one on 11180 // 9430 from 1852 (though sked in Sept. LN says *1900-2000*) with political harangues in Amharic or other Eaf tongue; no discernible break at 1900. Still at it when R/C 1932. Both freqs F, but very noisy band condx made QRK difficult. (BH 9/13)

CLANDESTINE: VO Democratic Kampuchea -- On 17680 at 0420 with KM talk, numerous mentions of Kampuchea; // 15110 slightly stronger but also noisier and with more QSB. (Clark 8/18)

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73/DX,

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