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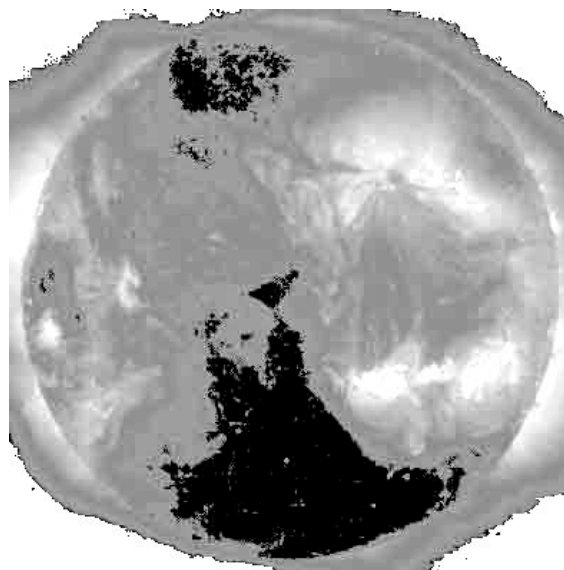
Coronal mass ejections (CMEs)

November 21-23: No obviously geoeffective CMEs noted. A full halo CME observed on Nov.20 appears to have had a backside origin.

Coronal holes

An extension of the southern polar coronal hole will rotate into a geoeffective position on Nov.23-24. A trans equatorial coronal hole is rotating into view at the east limb. The black areas in photograph are coronal holes.

(Jan Alvestad, www.dxl.com/solar)



EUROOPPA

765	21.11.	1500	DW. Med ID på ukrainska. Sänder enligt uppgift via R Mayak, Odessa. Torde stämma eftersom Mayak inte hördes samtidigt. Det var en station med smäktande grekisk musik som lockade mig till frekvensen. POS
765	21.11.	1515	Karjalan Radio, Petroskoi. Passade på att ha lokalt samtidigt, både finska och ryska. POS
792	21.11.	1530	GTRK Lotos, Astrahan. Hördes även 22.11. från och till med främst indier och kines. Lokalreklamer på halvtimmen. Hörs med svag modulation och bara under denna timme, så förmodligen är man kanske tyst däremellan. POS
1107	22.11.	1717	AFN Bavaria, Grafenwöhr. Med lokalbreak timmen senare än 1485. Exakt samma ordalydelse. POS
1143	22.11.	1622	AFN Heidelberg. Med ax för händelser i Stuttgart och Heidelberg. Hördes bra nu men har för vana att inte köra lokal-IDn utan identiteten får man nysta upp från stationens många lokalbreaks. Annat var det förr i tiden då "AFN Stuttgart" kom punktlikt vid lokalfönstren. POS
1143	22.11.	1636	AFN Würzburg. Däremot odlar IDn "AFN Würzburg" trängde fram genom Heidelberg och AFN//873. POS
1196,65	21.11.	1630	R Romania. Visade sig detta vara som låg snett och gick //1593. POS
1485	22.11.	1615	AFN Bavaria, Hohenfels/Regensburg. "The Big Gun AM 11-07 and 14-85". POS
1485	21.11.	1631	UNID. Ungern har hörts här vid flera tillfällen men aldrig riktigt bra. Tysken med digitalsändningar är besvärlig ibland. POS
1557	22.11.	1510	R Osijek, Osijek. Dominerade frekvensen speciellt denna tid. POS
1584	21.11.	1800	Country R, Brno. Släpper sällan fram andra europeer nuförtiden. POS
1602	22.11.	1600	BBC via Romania. "Aici BBC... internet www.bbc.co.uk" och nyheter på rumänska. Torde vara frågan om Arad-sändaren, då Radio CNM inte fanns bland de stationer som hördes. POS
1602	22.11.	1700	RAI Sender Bozen. Med nyheter på tyska och sedan kånnspek folkemusik. RAI3 dominerade kvällen innan cx:en gick längre i söder. POS

4982	20.10.	1414	R Moskva 2, Minsk-Sasnovy. Releoi R Stalican ohjelmaa. Uutiset sekä paikallista että länsimaista poppia. TEJ
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PIRAATIT

6210	16, 17.11.	????	R Marabu. Lähetystä vissiin 24h. Kuului joten kuten. Musiikkia ja idejä. HEP
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BRITTEIN SAARET

990	9.11.	0739	Magic AM, Doncaster. PJK/K
1431	21.9.	0356	KORJAUS: Classic Gold Breeze, Southend-on-Sea. Mainosti omaa "Classic Gold Country" C&W-levyä Mökäradion puristuksessa. Ei ollut lo-ki-ohjelman tarjoama Classic Gold 1431 & 1485, Reading. TEJ
1521	9.11.	0620	Forest Of Dean Community Radio, Forest Of Dean. Nousi välillä päällimmäiseksi ja promoili tulevaa ohjelmistoaan. PJK/K
1566	9.11.	0555	BBC Somerset Sound, Taunton. Kuului uudella taajuudellaan kohtuullisesti County Soundin kanssa aloittaessaan oman lähetyksensä 0600 UTC BBC R5 Liven releoinnin jälkeen. TEJ
1566	9.11.	0600	BBC Somerset Sound, Bristol. Kuului hyvin uudella taajuudella. PJK/K
1602	15.10.	1759	Desi R, Southall. Kyllä tämä asemakuulutuksen ainakin tähän aikaan antaa: "24 hours a day, seven days a week, this is Desi Radio on 1602 AM". Tasalta uutiset, myöhemmin intialaista musiikkia. PJK/K

IBERIA

1107	21.11.	1725	RNE-5 Cantabria, Santander. Med 5 min. lokalb-reak denna tid. POS
1125	21.11.	1725	RNE-5 Castilla y León, Soria. Dominerade bland många stationer, 1341 gick samtidigt perfekt och torde ha varit Radio Leon. Dock mycket fladdriga signaler pga kraftig solstörning. POS
1413	20.11.	1925	RNE-5 Andalucia, Jaén. PEH
1413	21.11.	1855	RNE-5 Gerona-Girona. PEH
1503	22.11.	1755	RNE-5 Andalucia, Algeciras. Med regionalnyheter. POS
1503	8.11.	1925	RNE-5 Cadiz, Algeciras. Med lokalnyheter, dvs.

AFRIKKA

4760	19.11.	2100	ELWA Monrovia. Puhetta Liberiasta ja maininta ELWA. HEP
5100	3.10.	2016	Liberian Communications Network, Monrovia. EE-uutiset. TEJ
7125	22.11.	2100	R Guinea, Conakry. Kuului kohtalaisesti kunnes RAI aloitti 2115. PEH
11690	13.11.	1855	R Okapi, Kinshasa. On kuulunut tässä usein. PEH

AASIA

711	21.11.	1550	AIR. Rätt bra i toppana men inde då förmodade lokal-id:n. Förmodade Siliguri skulle ha varit ny för mig, men får vänta på bättre hörbarheten. POS
711	21.11.	1600	Uzbek Radio. Påbörjade nyheter, "khabarlar", denna tid. POS
711	21.11.	1555	VOV. In här en kort stund på denna livliga frekvens, där dessutom en ryss och Rumäniens gjorde sig påminda med "fel" antennkombination. POS
765	3.10.1997	1546-1605*	Nung Por Nor, Lampang. LEM107/JJK
765	3.10.1997	1600-1610	+ Thahaan Akart, Lobpuri. Oli tämä, joka idaili kahdesta thaimaalaisesta päällimmäisenä. Jäi alunperin informaation puutteessa identifioimatta. LEM107/JJK
792	21.11.	1500	AIR Pune. Och annan station från samma område förutom kines. POS
1116	21.11.	1739	R Kashmir, Srinagar. Med fint anrop där både mellanvåg och kortvågsfrekvenserna angavs. POS
1143	20.10.	1523	VOA Poro. TEJ
1287	21.11.	-1742*	AIR Panaji. Stängde efter nyheterna med anrop men sin vana trogen var signalen inte så bra då mera. 1206 däremot gick perfekt. POS
1386	21.11.	1515	AIR Gwalior. Med signal denna tid. Mera intressant var thailändaren som kom upp här ibland, men inte tillräckligt bra. POS
1556,95	21.11.	1520	R Pakistan, Skardu. Med våldsamt fina styrkor. Skardu torde ha uppgraderat sändaren om man kan höras så bra. Inväntade inte lokal-id. Pakistan även på vanligare frekvenserna samtidigt. POS

3940	21.10.	2133-	RTHK, Cape d'Aquilar. Pitkästä aikaa uusi bongattu maa. Lähetyksen alkuun lyhyt tunnari ja id. Sää tiedotuksessa lupasi epävakaita ja ukkosta Kiinan rannikkovesille. TEJ
4930	us	1600	Turkmen R, Asgabat. Kuuluu usein ja voimalla, mutta miten mahtaa olla QSL:n laita. HPE

OSEANIA

1611	23.10.	2101-2118	+6.. Margaret River Radio, Margaret River, WA. Lokataan nyt 100-prosenttisena kun POS on vahvistanut identiteetin. On mahdollista, että sopassa oli mukana toinenkin asema. Margaret Riveristä saadun tiedon mukaan asema on nyt pois äänestä. Toivottavasti palalle eetteriin. JJK
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KESKI-AMERIKA

4832	30.11.	0254-	HRLW R Litoral, La Ceiba. Kuuluvuus heikko. Idin poiminta vaati miinidisketin kelailua. JPI/V
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ETELÄ-AMERIKA

4845	14.8.	0145	ZYF278 R Cultura Ondas Tropicais, Manaus, AM. Unohtunut ilmoittaa, mutta parempi myöhään jne. HPE
5900U	30.11.	-0200-	R Cosmopolita, Quito. Käytti idia R LV de Pueblo. Myöhemmin R Bulgaria pilaa kuuluvuuden. JPI/V
6010	27.10.	0358	ZYE521 R Inconfidência, Belo Horizonte, MG. Kuului bonusasemana LV de tu Concienciaa kyttistellessä. TEJ
6011	us	0700	HJ.. LV de tu Conciencia, Lomalinda. Kuuluu usein ja hyvin. HPE
	27.10.	0357	- Hengellistä hyvällä sinkulla, mutta särisellä audiolla. TEJ
6114,6	19.11.	0620	OBZ40 Unión R, Lima. PEH
9695	22.11.	2155	ZYE245 R Rio Mar, Manaus, AM. Kuului hienosti. HPE

PJK/K = Petri Ketola Kauhajoen Kiurupäässä.

LEM168 23.10.-26.10.2002 TUA

2xNRD 535, AOR 7030, Lemmenjoen CA- ja NA –langat poisluettunan länsirannikko- ja alaska-antennit

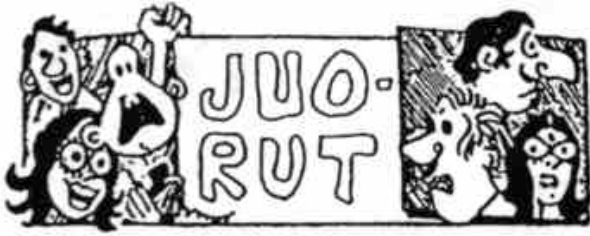
Olin 23.-26.10 työmatkalla Lapin perukoilla. Yöksi menin aina Lemmenjoelle ja kuuntelin sen minkä aika salli. Kelit olivat aikalailla häiriöiset ja ne huononivat ratkaisevasti lauantaiaamuna. Kuuntelujen tuloksena kuitenkin n. 10 raporttia ja monta MD:tä selvitettäväksi ja kuunneltavaksi. Oli pitkää aikaa todella mukavaa touhua. Kiitos Rollelle ja Jannelle avusta Idien selvityksessä sekä ARK:lle toisen NRD:n lainasta.

Loki on ns. riisuttua mallia, mukana ovat vain raportoidut tai muuten mielenkiintoisimmat asemat. Jotain uuttakin voi tallenteista vielä löytyä, mutta niistä kuuluu sitten aikanaan.

- 970 25.100500 KBUL Billings, MT Idasi sopivasti. On uutis- ja talkasema.
980 25.100503 CKNW New Westminster, BC idasi juuri kun skannasin taajuuden ohitse.
1150 25.100504 KSAL Salina KS mukavasti ID:llä ja säällä..
1210 25.100507 KGYN Gyron, OK ”vanha tuttu” hyvin ja yksin taajuudella.
1370 24.102253 +**KUND Grand Forks,ND** kuului tosi hienosti. ”This is the North Dakota public Radio, a service of Prairie Public Broadcasting North Dakota State University, serving...”Luetteli kaikki kaetjun asemat FM:llä sekä KUND:n AM:llä. Aikamoinen yllätys... Vastasikin jo e-maililla ja lupasi lähettää postia myös vanhaan malliin. Sitten olikin aika viritellä AOR 1440:lle..
1420 24.102339 CKPT Peterborough, ON ”14-20 memories, CKPT”.
1420 23.100513 WVJS Owensboro, KY kuului mukavasti samoin Oldies –formatilla. Myös 24.10.
1440 24.102332 KKXL Grand Forks, ND urheiluasema. ”14-40 AM K-K-X-L.” Dominanttina kuitenkin albertalainen. Muitakin asemia piipahti, mutta tuskinpa muiden identiteetti selviää.
1480 25.100500 KRXR Gooding, ID SS. Tasalta hyvä ID. Tnx RS!
1580 24.102345 KWYD Colorado Springs, CO. REL ja Business talk..
1580 25.102359 KOKB Blackwell, OK.”Doubletalk, KOKB Blackwell-Ponca City, KOKP...Doubletalk, talkradio for Northeren Oklahoma”.
1590 24.100500 WVNA Tuscumbia, AL idaili muitten puristuksissa. Tnx JEÖ ja RS!
1620 24.100432 WTAW Collage Station TX ”Dr. Laura on weekdays at 2 on newstalk 16-20, WTAW.”.
1650 24.100505 KCNZ Cedar Falls, IA ”KCNZ AM 16-50 and 12-50”. Usein
1680 24.100540 KRJO Monroe, LA R&B –mx ja ”16-80 K-R-J-O”-ID.

Meksiko

- 140 24.100423 XEBS México DF lujaa ”Radio Sinfonola”.



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Voice of Russia via Moldova 1548, ko ki ym 3 vk

VOA Tinian 15250, ko 2 pv

Tässäpä näitä. Lisää odotellaan. Raportteja on lähtenyt matkaan enemmän tai vähemmän. Kelit eivät ole viime aikoina "päättä huimanneet" ja nyt onkin hyvä raportoida puuttuvia asemia ja maita...

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R Itatiaia 5970 e-mail

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R Bethel 5940 ki, pokoja 3kk

R Caranavi 1550 ki, standaari 2,5kk

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RADIO KINNEKULLE 1584 kHz

Radio Kinnekulle, a small Swedish FM station, is celebrating its 20th anniversary by broadcasting for at least one week on 1584 kHz mediumwave. The official launch date is December 1, but test transmissions are planned for November 30 at 1200-1300 and at 1700-1800 UTC, says Radio Kinnekulle webmaster David MacMathan to DXing.info. The anniversary broadcasts will begin daily at 0800 UTC and run until late in the evening. Transmitter power will be around 200 watts, although their license - valid up to mid-December - would permit a power of up to 500 watts. Radio Kinnekulle is using an old transmitter taken from a submarine. The MW program is a combination of the regular feed on 102.6 MHz and special programs aired only on the mediumwave band. Radio Kinnekulle is located in Götene in Central Sweden. Radio Kinnekulle verifies reception reports, which can be sent by email, by using a Swedish-language form on the station website or by writing to Järnvägsgratan 13, S-533 30 Götene, Sweden. You can also contact the station by telephone at +46-511-51660. Dxing.info



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AFRICA

ANGOLA

Radio Ecclesia via Meyerton at 1900-2000 in Portuguese has changed frequency to 7205 kHz (ex~100) as of 1st September. (Kathy Otto of Sentech/South Africa via DXLD)

BENIN

According to Radio Benin, there will be a synchronisation of programmes between the Radio Benin station in Cotonou and the local Radio Parakou between 2000 and 2100 LT daily. (BBCM via DXLD); presumably this means that the same news programme will be heard in Paris/France on 7210 (Cotonou) and 5025 (Parakou) at 1900-2000 UTC-ed.

BURKINA FASO

Radio Burkina heard on 7230 kHz by Carlos Goncalves in Portugal on 29th August from 0831 to 0910 fade-out, with news in French at 0900. (C Goncalves via BC-DX)

BURUNDI

Radio Isanganiro, a new peace station due to start operations in October, is awaiting a SW freq allocation. Connected with the independent production house Studio Ijambo; Isanganiro is the name of a programme they currently produce. (RNMN via DXplorer)

CONGO (DEM REP)

Radio Candip, Bunia, on 5066 kHz which had been under the control of the Bunia-based and Ugandan-backed rebel Congolese Rally for Democracy-Liberation Movement (RCD-ML), also known as RCD-Kisangani, now seems to have fallen under the control of a separate, anti-Ugandan, splinter group led by Thomas Lubanga, a leader of the Hema ethnic group and a former defence official in charge of the RCD-ML's army, the Congolese Liberation Forces. Heard 1515-1730 on 2nd September and 0500-0600 on 3rd September. (Radio Candip via BBCM, RNMN via DXplorer)

ETHIOPIA

Ethiopian opposition stations - recent schedule changes (as of 3rd September):
Radio Huriyo in Somali 1630-1700 Tue/Fri NF 15580 (ex-15530)
Dejen Radio in Tigrina 1700-1800 Sat only NF 12115 (ex-12110)
Netsanet Le Ethiopia in Amharic 1700-1800 Wed & Sun on 12110 has been cancelled
Sagalee Oromiya in Oromo 1730-1800 Mon & Thu NF 12115 (ex-12110).
(Observer-Bulgaria)

MALI

RTM Bamako heard again on 7284.4 kHz, noted at 0915-0950 fade-out on 10th Sept, aiding Vernacular programming with tribal songs. And as to their best daytime outlet, 9635 kHz, noted at a critical (propagation wise) time

of 1122-1324 airing Vernacular programming with tribal songs, talks. Best received via the K9AY loop so as avoid some QRN but also very much thanks to the NRO54S noise filter, which, however, makes readability rather strange and even hard, yet quite enough to clearly ID the station. On many other occasions though, such noise fitter behaves in such a way that it's easier to follow the station mixed with noise than via the device (Carlos Goncalves, Portugal via BC-DX); Heard in Germany on 9634.95 on 8th Sept at sign-on around 0806. (Wolfgang Bueschel via BC-DX)

MOZAMBIQUE

For the second time in two months, Radio Mozambique's national station was forced off the air on mediumwave because of sabotage. Thieves broke into the broadcasting centre in the southern city of Matola, where the transmitters are located. They again stole copper wire and also damaged transmitting equipment. The chairman of the board of Radio Mozambique, Manuel Veterano, believes it was a deliberate attempt to stop the station from functioning effectively. Radio Mozambique hoped to have the transmitter working again. Meanwhile it continues to operate on FM. (R Netherlands Media Network, via MET).

RWANDA

The antenna farm of Deutsche Welle's Kigali relay site is under renewal at present. Modernisation project takes place till May 2003. (FUNK magazine, Sep 2002 via BC-DX)

SOMALIA

TDP website now lists Radio Hargeisa as a programmer. Nothing on their schedule page indicating if this is a relay and when it airs if so. (Hans Johnson/Cumbre DX 11th Sept); TDP-brokered relays are usually via transmitters in Russia/CIS-ed.

SOUTH AFRICA

Radio Veritas via Meyerton is now scheduled at 1000-1100 on 7240 kHz and 1600-1900 on 3280 kHz in English. Radio Veritas has access to the programmes of Vatican Radio and rights to rebroadcast the radio and television programmes of EWTN. For more info visit the website <http://www.radioveritas.co.za>. E-mail may be sent to info@radioveritas.co.za. (Michael Dorner, Catholic Radio Update 2nd September via DXLD)

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ASIA

AFGHANISTAN

Information Radio, the US Psyops station launched during the first days of the American military intervention in Afghanistan last year, continues to broadcast on 8700 kHz in AM mode. Its current schedule appears to be from mid-afternoon until late at night Kabul time. Reception of the station in Kabul is stable but not as strong as had been expected. Reception is actually much better in Islamabad, Pakistan. The medium wave frequency, 864 kHz, also appears to be active, however, monitoring has only detected a carrier wave and no sound. Recent reports that Information Radio also uses 6100 kHz cannot yet be confirmed. Nothing is audible on that frequency in Kabul. (Takuya Hirayama in Afghanistan 15th Sept for CRW) Information Radio heard on 8700-USB on 17th September at 1705 with continuous Afghan music, weak but steady signal on clear channel. (Mike Barraclough/UK via DXLD)

BAHRAIN

A number of high power transmitters are up for coordination by the ITU. Possible use by VOA, BBC, IBB, etc. Location: Isa Town, G.C: 50E28 26N09. This is in northern Bahrain, not

far from Manama: 848 kHz 1000/250 kW, main lobe 0 to 120 degrees day/night 693 kHz 1000/100 kW, main lobe 240 to 0 degrees day/night 711 kHz 1000/50 kW, main lobe 110 to 240 degrees day/night. The forward directivity given for all three channels is only modest.

(ARC Information Desk, 8 July via editor Olle Aim, via DX Listening Digest 2-111(11/7-2002))

BURMA

Radio Myanmar Main Programme has English segments at 0200-0245 on 7185, 0700- 0800 on 9730, and 1400-1630 on 5985. The English features are presented by professional announcers trained in the United Kingdom, with annunciation being distinctively "British"! A recently introduced daily feature in French is noted 1000-1010 on 4725, consisting of news about the India-China region, emphasising political events in Vietnam. (Bob Padula /EDXP)

Democratic Voice of Burma (Burmese-opposition) recent schedule changes:
1430-1530 on new 5910-Tashkent (ex-5945) //17495-Madagascar

1430-1530 via 9500-New Zealand has been cancelled due to poor propagation
2330-0030 on new 9760-Madagascar (ex-11715) II 9850-Juelich

B-02 schedule for Democratic Voice of Burma in Burmese: 1430-1530 on 5905 kHz via Almaty (Observer/BC-DX)

CAMBODIA

Cambodian Radio no longer has a specific external service. Twice each day, a 75 minute service in English, French, Thai, Lao and Vietnamese (15 mins for each language) is broadcast from 0000-0115 and 1200-1315, using the single frequency of 11940. No medium-wave channel could be found for either transmission, even though 1260 kHz is listed in

some sources. Commencement time varies, and some days the morning service is the air as early as 2350 (6.50 am local time). Modulation quality is terrible, with bad audio distortion, and there is severe frequency drift down to 11937 at times. Signal level is very weak, even in the Phnom Penh area. The morning service experiences severe interference from CR1 on 11945. The service is audible in Laos and Thailand, subject to the above constraints, but it is questionable whether an audience actually exists! (Bob Padula/EDXP)

CHINA

Chinese-opposition Fana Guano Ming Radio in Mandarin Chinese is scheduled for B-02 at 2100-2200 on 6035 and 9945 kHz, both 200 kW via Samara. (Observer-Bulgaria)

CYPRUS

Radio Sawa, the US government mouthpiece in Arabic, has begun testing from Cape Greco in south-eastern Cyprus, initially on 981 kHz, now 990 kHz. IBB Monitoring told Dxing.info that currently tests were being conducted without a fixed schedule, but once completed, the transmitter will air Radio Sawa programming 24 hours a day. The new 600-kilowatt transmitter is primarily aimed at Egypt and countries of the Levant, the Eastern Mediterranean. (via Dxing.info).

Radio Sawa is continuing to violate intl telecommunication agreements. The 500 kW tx in Cyprus has not been coordinated with the ITU (respectively the frequency authorities in the region as required by the ITU), the permitted power on 981 kHz is only 100kW. Apparently the interference on 981 to stations in the region (like Greece, Bulgaria and Egypt) has been sQ severe that a new frequency had to be chosen. With the new 990 kHz the station is now "highjacking" a Lebanese frequency (coordinated in the Geneva Plan for a 100kW transmitter at Amchit). (Bernd Trutenau via mwdx~yahoogroups.com via AP).

INDIA

All India Radio - Vividh Bharati ~ on 10330 kHz has extended its schedule by five minutes for their morning transmission. It now signs off at 0435 (ex-0430). At 0430 they now have added a five minute news bulletin in Hindi. For the record, Vividh Bharati is the entertainment channel of AIR. On 10330, four transmitters (Chennai, Delhi, Guwahati Mumbai) transmit the same programme simultaneously. (Jose Jacob/DX-India 5th September)

The tests by All India Radio - Bangalore with 500 kW for the National Service on 9425 and 11645 kHz concluded on 9th September. Regular transmissions of the National Channel on 9425 kHz at 1350-0043 will commence in the near future. However, regular daytime service on 11645 or on any other 11 MHz frequency will start only later. (Jose Jacob/DX-India 10th Sept)

All India Radio - Delhi on 4860 kHz has some problems at its transmitter in Kingsway. On 28th August at 1515-1930 sign-off, they were heard in Urdu as usual with SINPO 44444, but it was also heard with weak, spurious signals in parallel on every 16.2 kHz away from 4860: on 4795.2, (4811.4 was covered by ORM, probably Yerevan), 4827.6, 4843.8 and 4876.2, 4892.4, 4908.6 and 4924.8 (Anker Petersen Denmark, DSCWI DX Window via DXLD)

IRAN

Voice of Iran (Sedaye Iran) via Issoudun, France, heard at 0230-0330 on 17510 kHz. (Jean-Paul Arques/UAE 7th September via Cumbre DX); In afternoon at 1530-1830, also on 17510 kHz (Wolfgang Bueschel/BC-DX)

KAZAKHSTAN

Radio DAT "Free Radio For Free Kazakhstan" with programmes in both the Russian and Kazakh languages continues to be heard at

0100-0200 and 1500-1600 on 9775 kHz.

(Observer-Bulgaria 6th September)

Kazakhstan's National Security Ministry has established that Radio DAT, which describes itself as "the voice of democratic forces in Kazakhstan that are fighting for justice, the well-being of the people, human rights, and political freedoms," broadcasts not from the West, but from an unnamed town in the Russian Federation, forumkz.org reported on 29th August, quoting "confidential sources."

Radio DAT <<http://www.datrado.com>> began broadcasting on SW earlier this summer in both Kazakh and Russian. According to the Center for Journalism in Extreme Situations, Kazakh journalist and public figure Bigeldin Gabdullin, a political refugee in the US, served as anchor for Radio DAT's first broadcast. ("RFE/RL News line, 29th August, via Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania via BC-DX)

The group behind Radio DAT is based in Brussels, Belgium, and is known as Societe Pour la Democratie en Asie. They can be reached at Rue Jourdan 95, Brussels, Belgium 1060. (Hans Johnson/Cumbre DX 25th August)

KOREA (PDR)

Survey of North Korean domestic outlets at 1230 UTC:

KCBS 2350 untraced; 2850 strong; 3220 untraced; 3350 freq covered by buzzing; 3959.7 fair // 2850; 3970 untraced; 6100 untraced; 9665 untraced; 11679.6 fair // 2850. PBS 3249.5 weak; 3320 stronger; 6250 ute here but seems off; 6398.7 strongest of these. (Hans Johnson/Cumbre DX 28th August)

Voice of National Salvation (from North to South Korea-ed) schedule as per QSL letter: Korean: 2000-0100, 0300-0700 and 1000-1700 on 1053, 3480, 4400, 4450 and 4557 kHz and 0000-1200 on 6100 kHz. English: 0030-0100 on 1053, 3480, 4400, 4450 and 4557 kHz. (Masato Ishii/Japan, DSWCI DX Window 13th Sept via DXLD)

KURDISTAN

Voice of Iraqi People, Iraqi Kurdistan, on 5902.05 kHz heard 8th and 10th September at ~0255-0425 (fade out), Arabic IOs by man: "Huna sawt al-Shab al-Iraqi, idha'atu al-Hizb al-Shuju'i al-Iraq", // 3903 which faded out first, 25232 (Anker Petersen/Denmark, DSCWI DX Window via DXLD)

KYRGYZSTAN

A brief English news bulletin can be heard from Radio Kyrgystan, Biskek, from 2325-2330 on 4010 and 4795 kHz. This bulletin is preceded by a bulletin in Kyrgyz followed by Russian. (Harjot Singh Brar/India for GRDXC 29th August via BC-DX)

LAOS

Lao National Radio has two transmitters operating. One of these uses 50 kW, on 6130, 2200-0330, 0400-0730, 0930-1500. The intended target zone is "Laos". Programming is in parallel with the high-powered mediumwave outlet 575 and FM on 103.75. This transmitter was installed in 1994. A second transmitter of 25 kW is also used, on 7145, for what is announced as the "International Service". This is registered with the ITU from 0100-1800, with the target area designated as Laos, with programming in English, Thai, Vietnamese, French, and Khmer. This transmitter originally operated on 6130 and was moved to 41 mb when the 50 kW facility was put on line on 6130.

NEPAL

Radio Nepal is now using the NF of 6100 parallel 5005 for its afternoon service. (Globe Radio DX Club, India). MW has been extended to 1815 while SW closes at 1545. English news timings have been revised, and are now at 0215, 0815, 1415 and 1745 hrs - all of 10 mins duration. The last one at 1745 is only available on the MW. (Alok Dasgupta/India via EDXP)

Radio Nepal on 6100 kHz heard a couple of times in late August/early September from 2315 signon, parallel to 5005. Weak and splash from strong RFE/RL on 6095 kHz. (Tony Rogers)

PAKISTAN

For some years now, Radio Pakistan, Islamabad (100 kW) has been heard at night on 4790.4 kHz with the Rawalpindi III programme (Azad Kashmir) from *0042~0215* which was changed to *2342~0115* when Pakistan introduced Summer time this spring. Furthermore the 10 kW Rawalpindi transmitter has been reported using 4790.0 from *0230~0430* and supposedly *0130~0330* during summer. But on 10th August and again 2nd September, Radio Pakistan heard on exactly 4790.0 with programmes in Urdu and supposedly Kashmiri (clearly different ~from Urdu) at 0055 (tune in) with 44333 (which indicated 100 and not 10 kW) till fade out 0205 and without any shift in transmitter power. A shift from 100 to 10 kW would have been noticeable. It looks like the 100 kW Islamabad transmitter finally has been adjusted to its nominal frequency, and it has extended schedule which also covers the former schedule of the 10 kW Rawalpindi transmitter. On 2nd September, Radio Pakistan heard at 1700~1713*, as scheduled with Urdu news, 1705 Call to Prayer, and 1710-1713 the usual "Azad Kashmir" martial song - and again the frequency was 4790.03 to be exact. (Anker Petersen/Denmark, DSCWI DX Window via DXLD)

SINGAPORE

The Singapore Broadcasting Authority abandoned all MF broadcasting some years ago, in favour of VHF. A modest HF capacity survives, from Kranji, operating to this general schedule: 6000 Mandarin "2300-0800", "0900-1100", "1400-1600" (250 kW) 6150 English "2300-0800", *0900~1100*, "1400-1600" (250 kW) 7170 Tamil "2300-1600" (100 kW)

7235 Malay "2300-0900", "1200-1600" (250 kW) The Mandarin service comprises relays of: Capital Radio 95.8, Love 97.2 and YES 93.3. The English service consists of relays of these VHF networks: Gold 90.5, Classical 95.0, Perfect-10 98.7, NewsRadio 93.8, Symphony 92.4 and Passion 99.5. The Tamil service relays OLI 96.8 The Malay service takes relays of: Warna 94.2 and RIA 89.7.

The External Service, Radio Singapore International, is intended for neighbouring countries, with transmitters at Kranji, co-sited with the Merlin facility, and sharing transmitters with the Domestic Service. For general information, here is the current (September 2002) schedule for Radio Singapore International: 1100-1400 English on 6150 9600; 0900-1200 Malay on 7235 9665; 1200-1400 Indonesian on 7235 9665; 1100-1400 Mandarin on 6000 9560.

RUSSIA

198 kHz Irkutsk (more correctly Angarsk) not operational since 6 June 2001 due to damage to the antenna; it will not be repaired and the transmitting site is being dismantled (Irkutsk DX Circle <http://www.icc.ru/radio>, via Steve Whitt, via MWC E-Mail list).

TAJIKISTAN

VOA is currently testing from Tajikistan on 801 kHz, i.e. to Afghanistan rather than in Afghanistan. 801 kHz is not an Afghan frequency, but "belongs" to Tajikistan in the ITU Geneva MW Plan. This freq was used by a tx in Orzu in southern Tajikistan with Moscow R 1, until it was closed in the early 1990s. The Geneva Plan limits the power to 200 kW, it is unknown what power was used for R 1, or what power will be used after a reactivation now. (Bernd Trutenau, BCDX 10 Sep, via OK).

SYRIA

Voice of Homeland ("Sout Al Watan") in Arabic, the new anti Syrian station, continues to

be heard via a transmitter presumed to be in Russia/CIS at 0330-0400 on 9950 kHz and 1500-1530 on 12085 and 12115kHz. (Observer-Bulgaria)

Early reports that Sout Al Watan is operated by the Syrian Human Rights Committee ("SHRC") appear to be incorrect. The following was received from Saleem el-Hasan, President of SHRC, in response to an e-mail reception report: "Thank you very much for this piece of information. I am really amazed that SHRC has any connection with this new broadcast We are absolutely unaware of this broadcast. We have never heard of it, or anybody sought any permission to speak on our behalf. Your story have stimulated my curiosity to follow up this matter. Thank you very much for your letter and a lovely card will follow to your address, however we have nothing to do with the station. It is a sign of friendship with all philanthropists." I wonder what the "lovely card" will say? Also, I sent a separate e-mail to the SHRC Webmaster who replied: "We are absolutely unaware of what you have mentioned. Regards SHRC."

So, it would appear that SHRC is not associated with Sout Al Watan. (Rich D'Angelo/PA 7th Sept via DXplorer)

TAIWAN

Radio Free Asia continues to use the relay in Taiwan. This is currently on the air on 11605, with Vietnamese, 1400-1500 and 2330-0030 (Bob Padula/EDXP 15th September)

THAILAND

Domestic HF broadcasting is virtually extinct., with extensive and increasing use being made of MF and VHF for local and regional services by the Government broadcasting authority. For many years, dating back to the 1960's, HF domestic broadcasting was carried from several transmitters located at Bang Phun, in Pathum Thani, in the time span *2200~1730*, using 4830 6070 7115 9655 and 11905. The latter two

frequencies also carried relays of the External Service at times when the domestic programme was not broadcast.

Around early 2001, 4830 9655 and 11905 were closed down, and 6070 and 7115 remained in use on a very limited basis from 1100-1215, carrying relays of the External Service in Vietnamese, Khmer, Lao, Burmese, and Malay. These relays are currently active. The 60 mb outlet of 4830 has been in intermittent operation since mid-2001, carrying relays of Radio Thailand's Network-3, in English, in parallel with MF 918 kHz (Bangkok). This HF operation was set up to cater for the large influx of English-speaking tourists visiting areas outside of Bangkok, particularly the southern beaches at Phuket (and nearby areas), and the northern cities of Chiang Mai, and Chiang Rai. It may now have closed down, as it was not audible at any time during my trip, during July.

Only one non-Governmental station was noted this originates from the Royal Household in Bangkok, with 10 kW, using 6148. This "split frequency" channel was audible at good level during local evening hours in Thailand and in nearby countries, around 0930-1100. However, severe interference is caused by the Radio Singapore domestic HF service on 6150 - the 2 kHz het was very annoying (Bob Padula/EDXP whilst in Thailand)

Whilst in Laos, Bob Padula also heard a station on 6765 kHz with an announcement that included the message "This is radio..... broadcasting for Western tourists". Programme content was mainly in Laotian, with what appeared to be news, with national music. Richard Lam in Singapore tried this on 10th September at 1200 UTC and heard Bangkok Meteorological Radio broadcasting from Thailand. It is operated by the Meteorological Dept and uses 10 kW. It broadcasts maritime weather information for regional shipping routes. The station uses a melodious music box

interlude. Also on 8743 USB in parallel. (Richard Lam/Cumbre DX)

TIBET

As mentioned last month, the official Chinese broadcasting station Xizano PBS from Lhasa, Tibet, has a regular English-language programme within its Tibetan-language service called Holy Tibet". Reported times are at 0700, 1100 and 1630. Frequencies to check are 4905, 4920, 5240, 6110, 6130, 6200, 7385 and 9490.

Voice of Tibet B-02 schedule in Tibetan and Mandarin: 1215-1300 15400-Tashkent 15645-Dushanbe 15655-Dushanbe 15680-Almaty 1430-1515 11975-Tashkent (Observer-Bulgaria)

TURKMENISTAN

Since 12th September, Anker Petersen in Denmark has noticed a strange transmitter problem on the Ashgabat frequency of 4930. It is scheduled to sign on at 0100 with the H52 programme, but when the carrier comes on around 0044 with a constant tone, the programme of HS1 can also be heard in AM and USB // to its ordinary frequency of 5015. At 0100 the HS2 programme starts on 4930 in AM and USB, but HS1 continues underneath. Both are in the Turkmen language. 43443. This continues till fade out at 0305. (Anker Petersen 19th September via DXplorer)

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Radio Afghanistan in Pashto/Dari via Dhabbiya at 0130-0327 in now on new 15485 (ex-15240 to avoid R Australia in English). (Observer-Bulgaria 13th September)

VIETNAM

Voice of Vietnam continues to use several HF channels for relaying its Domestic Service to rural areas:

5925 *2200~1600* Xuan Mai 50 kW

5975 *2200~1600* Son Tai 50 kW

6020 *2200-1600* Son Tai 20 kW

7210 *2200~1600* Son Tai 20 kW

9530 *2200~1400* Son Tai 50 kW

9875 *0200~1000* Son Tai 50 kW

These channels carry relays of Networks 1, 2, 3 or 4, to a varying schedule, in Vietnamese, as well as programming in various dialects for ethnic communities. At 0200, 5925, 5975 6020 7210 9530 and 9875 all carry the same news summary from Hanoi.

The Hmong Service, which is part of the Voice of Vietnam Network 4, has recently extended transmission hours, to accommodate extended broadcasts to ethnic minorities, as foreshadow in EDXP earlier in 2002. New frequencies in the 9 MHz band are now in use, to improve coverage during daylight hours.

This is now heard:

5035 *2200~0000* Xuan Mai 15 kW

5035 *1130~1330* Xuan Mai 15 kW

6165 *2200~0000* Xuan Mai 50 kW

6165 *1130~1330* Xuan Mai 50 kW

9855 *0430~0600* Xuan Ma 50 kW

9650 *0430~0600* Xuan Mai 50 kW

Both of the new frequencies 9855 and 9650 gave excellent reception in the countries I visited. Until recently, the morning and evening services were carried on 5 and 6 MHz, and the midd service only on 6 MHz. Now, the midday broadcast is on 9 MHz. Note: The transmitter operating on 9875 also carries the VOV Asian Service (Network-6) at other times, on 7285, to this schedule: 0000-0030 Khmer, 0030-0100 Lao, 1100-1130 English, 1100-1200 Thai, 1200-1230 Khmer, 1230-1300 Lao, 1300-1330 Russian, 1330-1400 Khmer, 1400-1430 Lao, 1430-1500 Mandarin and 1500-1530 Cantonese. (Bob Padula/EDXP)

Voice of Khmer Krom Radio in Khmer for B-02: 1400-1500 Tuesdays only on 11560 kHz Vladivostok 250 kW. (Observer-Bulgaria)

OCEANIA

AUSTRALIA

Voice International schedule via Darwin

effective 1st September as per website:

0130-0200 17775 kHz English (to China) 1100-1700 13635 kHz Hindi

0530-0600 21680 kHz Indonesian 1300-1500 13685 kHz English (to India)

0600-0800 17820 kHz Indonesian 1300-1800 13660 kHz Indonesian

0900-1300 13685 kHz English (to China) 1400-1700 17560 kHz Chinese

0900-1300 15365 kHz Indonesian 1500-1900 11930kHz English (to India)

0900-1400 13775 kHz Chinese 2200-0100 13640 kHz Chinese

HCJB programmes to India are scheduled to end at the end of this year, from Ecuador. They will be picked up by their facility in Kununurra, Australia. (Swopan Chakroborty/ India via EDXP)

Australian facility plans to commence on 25th December. Here is the proposed initial schedule:

0700-1200 11755 25 kW English

1230-1430 15130 100kW English

1430-1730 15135 100kW English

1730-1800 15430 100 kW Oromo (EDXP)

Radio Australia at Shepparton, Victoria, continues to experience technical difficulties due to the very old equipment still in use.

During the early morning period, two of the transmitters operate in parallel on 7240 and 6080 kHz from 1800-2100. Unfortunately, a strong spurious radiation is produced on 4920 kHz in the 60 metre tropical band due to the harmonic signal from 7240 mixing with 6080. This spurious signal causes interference to All India Radio and China National Radio, both of which are also operating on 4920 kHz. This signal has been monitored right across Australia and into Asia. (Bob Padula/AWR Wavescan 15th Sept via DXLD)

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