

Topline tip. . . ANDORRA -- From 28th August 1976, R Andorra will broadcast programmes of WORLD MUSIC RADIO each Saturday at 0800-1400 on 6230, at least testing for 3 months. Reception reports with 2 IRCs sent to World Music Radio, P.O. Box 4078, Amsterdam, Holland will be verified with special QSL card. (World Music Radio via Poul Foged in August DSWCI) In his article for the DSWCI, Mr. Foged also notes that WMR (closed down since 1973)

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Hotline

ANDORRA (con'd from above) succeeded this June in buying airtime from R Andorra. The music format for the program will be international contemporary. Finally, Mr. Foged also points out that R Andorra has been on 6230 since July 25, playing pop music continuously with test-programs. Sez reception has been v gd in most countries in north of Europe. Well, lock that date onto your dials and go after-em gents! Now its on to the rest of this issue's truly fine and exciting news.....

ITALY -- Gamma R on 6208 with pr sig and extreme lightning noise! Hrd at 0404 with W in nx in nos EE. At 0410 M anncr then pop mx past 0420 t/out. (Bill Whitacre, Michigan) That's my main man reporting gang! ed

GREENLAND -- From R Norway's prgm sched comes word that R Greenland will relay Norwegian from R Norway on Sundays. These programs will be intended for Norwegian fisherie men around Greenland. No indication of freqs were given (Mark Baker, Illinois reporting to GLDXA "Newsmemo")

ICELAND -- Revkjavik R on 12175 w/pr sig 1020-1105 w/ute test tape to 1033, then W anncr and orchestrals to 1100 plus (presume V of Iceland prgm?) and back to ute tane (Whitacre)

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS -- 3904 R Manus. Full text verie letter and ppd card returned for rpt last October. After several followups. (Gerry Dexter, NU)

LIBYA -- PRB 6185 now signing off at 2300. Noted here with good log on 7/27 (Alan Maver, Illinois)

ANGOLA -- Radio Ecclesia now using 3355 nites, 7215 days once again in // to 944, 1010 and 4985 which are on the air for 24 hrs a day. (Ginby, South Africa, via SCDX 1387)

GERMANY -- VOA Munich 3980. In order to clear up the confusion surrounding the power on this one, ye intrepid ed wrote the ever helpful George Jacobs at the VOA. George replied: "In answer to your question concerning the power of the Munich transmitter operating on frequency 3980 kHz, it is an 8 kilowatt transmitter instead of 100 kilowatts as indicated in the World Radio TV Handbook 1976. This is an error and we are having it corrected."

ASIATIC RSFSR -- Petropavlovsk 4485 from 0948-1009. RR drama, operatic typ singing. Time nips top of hour and into RR tlk by M. Fair level. (ed)

MEXICO -- Su Pantera 6105. QSL in 12 days for a prepared card and SS ltr and mint stamp. Signed by Sr. Gonzalez and power listed by him at 250watts (Terry Krueger, Florida)

SULAWESI -- 4715, RRI, Ujung Padang, ex-4719, heard on new freq between 1200-1230 on 8/12 and 8/13 (Steven Wiseblood, California)

CHILE -- R Colo Colo, 12250 here for unexplained reason, 7/31 on RC SS at first unid, with tropical mx; 1552 GMT-4 TC, ads in Pesos; 1601 ment Soc Nacional de Agricultura, "Informa Radio Colo-Colo, primera en la noticia" Still in at 1830 recheck (Glenn Hauser, TN)

PAKISTAN --RP 4735 noted here from 0050 to 0119 with M in sub cont chants/wailing to nx at top of hour. No lang ident and going in a hurry (ed 3/8)

TOPLINE NEWS PART TWO...VOA relents! Seems as if we have done it again, and this time with the help of a dxing United States Senator! After doing his bit to get the VOA to change its new policy on not id'ng transmitter sites on QSL cards, John Tuchscherer received the following letter, which is quoted in part, from Ruth Walter, the Public Information Officer at the VOA: "While we do not expect to make any significant changes in our present procedure, we do recognize the inconvenience to collectors of QSL cards. In an effort to be responsive to listeners' interests, we are now willing to show the transmitter location on the QSL cards, if the location is included in listeners' reception reports submitted to VOA." John points out that the next effective change for the VOA freq sched is on Sept 5, so order one now and be prepared for your next reports to the VOA.

In a similar vein, "Wild" Bill Oliver, NASWA's own QSL editor, sends along a letter sent to him by Senator Gary Hart of Colorado. Seems as if Gary was as incensed about the VOAs new policy as the rest of us. Quite naturally, he too wrote the VOA and complained. In his letter to Bill, Senator Hart said among other things: "I was as unhappy as you with this so-called simplification, and made further inquiries to VOA. Persistence, similar to convincing Lucy Larina to QSL the right site, finally paid off, and the station changed its mind." All your excited scribe can say at this point is thanks to all three of you. The hobby owes you a lot for your dedication and persistence. A big thanks and welcome aboard to Senator Hart. All you dxers out there in Colorado better remember this when he comes up for re-election. hi hi

COLOMBIA -- 4975 Onda del Orteguzaza. 0951 many IDs, TCs, ad string and Col music. Early morning prgm for campesinos. Usual ute seems to have shifted slightly to lower fqy. It may be "Onda" instead of the plural, but not sure as yet. (Jack Jones, Miss.)

TAIWAN -- 15425, BCC, now has EE 0200-0350 here ex-15345. Hrd on 8/12 during this time period (Wiseblood)

COLOMBIA -- (Harmonic) (Cf Glenn's previous rpts in Fren dx) Although, (in Tropical DX Newsletter) C.M. Stanbury reports a definite ID for R. Libertador, Cali, here, 2 x 1290--2580 at 0130 on 7/3, the station I get on 2580 is a different one, R Pinaton. Not only noted at the later hours as previously reported, but when checked 7/20 0100 I noted "Desde Barrancabermeja, Colombia, Radio Pinaton". The signal seems to have weakened considerably recently, and there is a bet, possibly caused by the station Stanbury reports. It could be that the vertical radiation angle of the two harmonics is sufficiently different for Stan, some 750km further from Colombia than I, to be at a more favorable skin zone for the station he reports, just as I find the other one dominant (Hauser, TN)

USSR? -- 9685, After the 8/1 R Moscow freq changes, this one exhibited 8/3 in EE at 0020 with a hi-pitched hum, unlike all the other RM freqs checked. Sounded like relay off the air. This may mean it's Bulgaria; very strong; 0030 continued with R Vilnius to NAM in Lithuanian (Hauser, TN)

VENEZUELA -- R Nacional 15490. R Nacional's ephemeral English pgm found on this relatively clear freq: wish they'd stay but probably an error. On 8/3 at 2215 Venz mx; history of international service; 2230 IDs in SS and EE with usual 6170, 15390; 2249 closed, left carrier on for some minutes (Hauser, TN)

GLDXA PLUG -- Available from your DXHotline editor (who also happens to edit the SW column for GLDXA!) are a symposium of reviews on the Autek QF-1 audio filter. These reviews were done especially for GLDXA and edited by none other than yours truly (whew). Included are reviews by Ralph Perry, Edward Shaw, and Bill Whitacre. Find out everything you always wanted to know about the Autek-but were afraid to ask-by ordering them from me. Available to GLDXAers for a long SASE. Available to stateside dxers for a long SASE and 25¢ or two 13¢ stamps. Available to the rest of the world for long SAE and two IRCs for airmail reply.

THINGS TO COME DEPT.... Stay tuned to the next DXHotline folks, wherein Bob Hill will get back in the groove and report from his new apartment in California. We may also find out about World Music Radio in an issue or two. In coming issues we will feature the finest in Indo and Papuan logs, those pesky little creatures you have all been waiting for since the last equinox! We also specialize in hot QSLs and the latest in dx news. If you want to know where its at and when its being heard you need the DXH. Tell your buddy who does not subscribe to get off his exterior and send in his \$3 to Mac at Hdq so he can get the mid-monther. Thanks to *John* and all who got me off the ground with this issue! 73s de john-john *John*