



Your Reports

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***Here you will find what shortwave
broadcasters have been heard over the
previous month or so***

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All loggings are assumed to be in English unless otherwise stated.

I would like to wish all of you heartfelt greetings for the holiday season – especially to all of my reporters over the past year. I was worried, with Listening In no longer being published as a magazine, that the level of reporting to this column would drop where, in all reality, it has remained quite stable – even increasing a little bit. Without your support this column is not worth editing. Please keep up the good work.

From November 6th to the 8th we celebrated the start of the winter DX season with another successful Shadow Lake Radio Camp. Our numbers were down – we only had six turn out this time but we had a lot of fun and the reception conditions were the best we have seen for a few years. The proof is in my loggings. Why not sign up for the next one which will take place on the weekend of March 26th – 28th. Since I am the camp convenor, just drop me an e-mail for more info.

We have a big column this month. Read on and enjoy!

0000 - 0059

4925 BRAZIL Radio Educacao

Rural (Tefe) at 0025 in Portuguese with a woman with talk with a mention of "Brasil" and "Rural" then a man with promos and into a man and woman with talk from 0030 (Fair Nov 8 MAC-SL)

4965 ZAMBIA CVC Voice Africa at 0035 with an interview program

between an African-accented man and woman giving a local phone number then into inspirational female vocals at 0038 (Fair Nov 8 MAC-SL)

5009.9 INDIA All India Radio

Thiruvananthapuram possibly the one at 0040 in presumed Hindi with chanting like music then a man with brief talk at 0047 and more chanting (Fair Nov 8 MAC-SL)

6055 SPAIN REE at 0007 with a

feature on the Cantabria region of Spain (Good Nov 1 MAC)

6185 BRAZIL Radio Nacional da Amazonia at 0023 in Portuguese with lively Ranchero-type music then a singing "Radiobras" ID at 0025 and into Brazilian ballad (Very Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

7325 AUSTRIA ORF at 0010 with a man with news in English then into brief French news and then IS of "Blue Danube" and multi-lingual ID repeated over and over to 0019 then into German news (Good Nov 5 MAC)

7400 BULGARIA Radio Bulgaria at 0015 with a message from the head of UNESCO on "Daily Events and Developments" (Very Good Oct 27 RG)

9680 THAILAND Radio Thailand at 0000 English s/on, announcements, 0002 news. (Poor Nov 21 HTS)

12095 THAILAND Radio Thailand at 0033 with talk on collaborative physics research between Thailand and Switzerland (Good Nov 21 HTS)

0100 - 0159

6190 BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA International Radio of Serbia at 0135 in Serbian with local music then a woman with talk with several mentions of "Serbia" then a man and woman with talk from 0144 (Good Nov 8 MAC-SL) – *possibly a last minute frequency change as the 2009 WRTH lists this frequency in Serbian, but not at this hour, and the B09 HFCC documents do not show this frequency in use by Serbia, at all - ed*

7230 SLOVAKIA RSI at 0124 with a man demonstrating popular Slovakian phrases and their English translation then closing announcements at 0126 (Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

7325 SRI LANKA VOA at 0128 with contact information and ID then "Earth and Sky" from 0129 (Fair Nov 21 HTS)

0200 - 0259

3320 SOUTH AFRICA Radio Sondergrense at 0200 in Afrikaans with a man and a woman with talk and pop music and an apparent ad at 0204 with a mention of "Suid Afrika" (Fair Nov 7 MAC-SL)

5045 BRAZIL Radio Clube do Para (Belem) at 0217 in Portuguese with a mix of Brasopops and ballads and brief talk by a man (Good Nov 7 MAC-SL) – *thanks to Ron Howard of NASWA who informs me that this extra frequency was recently reactivated - ed*

5930 SLOVAKIA RSI at 0203 in French with news, Slovak calendar, weather (Good Oct 14 RG)

6090 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon from 0225 – 0230 with Melissa Scott giving a sermon on forgiveness. Audio was distorted either at the source or by some QRN. (Very Good Nov 18 JR)

6110 CUBA RHC at 0230 in Spanish with a man and woman giving a report with mentions of "Cubanos" // 6060 and 6140 (Good with fading Nov 18 JR)

7335 FRENCH GUINA Voice of Russia in Spanish from 0245 – 0300

with man and woman alternating articles in a "noticias" type program. Heard IS and ID in Spanish at 0300 (Excellent Nov 18 JR)

0300 - 0359

6150 ALBANIA Radio Albania at 0335 with news read by a woman then ID at 0336. (Very Good Nov 15 JR)

6240 MOLDOVA Voice of Russia with waltz music from 0338 – 0340, followed by "Songs from Russia" highlighting the music of the group "Hi-Fi" (Excellent Nov 15 JR)

6890 USA WYFR in Spanish at 0345, with religious music, male announcer, mentions of "Family Radio", and the familiar IS in between programs. (Excellent Nov 15 JR)

0400 - 0459

4885 BRAZIL Radio Clube do Para (Para) at 0423 in Portuguese at 0423 with Brazilian ballad then echo chamber ID at 0426 and more ballads (Very Good Nov 8 MAC-SL)

4960 SAO TOME VOA at 0432 with three men discussing terrorism and the mental problems experienced by US soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan (Very Good Nov 8 MAC-SL)

6180 RWANDA Deutsche Welle at 0415 // 5905 5945 - *both via Portugal* - with a man with ID as "You're listening to Newslink on Deutsche Welle. I'm Rick Demarest." (Fair Nov 7 MAC-SL)

7255 ASCENSION ISLAND BBC at 0400 with a woman with news then

"World news from the BBC" at 0404 (Very Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

7310 ROMANIA RRI at 0418 with a woman with ID then a man and woman with a report on a local film festival (Good Nov 8 MAC-SL)

0500 - 0559

4885 BRAZIL Radio Clube do Para at 0534 in Portuguese with Brasopops and canned ID at 0535 (Good Oct 31 MY)

5975 UNITED KINGDOM Radio Japan (via Rampisham) at 0510 // 6110 (via Sackville) with a woman talking about a Children's Festival on November 15th which honours those who are 3, 5 and 7 years old followed by mailbag program (Good Nov 15 JR)

6130 PORTUGAL DW relay with world news at 0502 including an article about Iran not complying with a proper nuclear protocol. (Fair Nov 21 JR)

6190 CANADA China Radio Int'l relay with world news in English at 0505, with a commercial at 0507 about the Shanghai World Expo in 2010. (Excellent Nov 21 JR)

0600 - 0859

9710 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 0740 with "Asia-Pacific" then ID at 0800 and into news (Poor Nov 14 MY)

9765 NEW ZEALAND RNZI at 0830 with a man with news then a woman with "Dateline Pacific" at 0837 (Good Nov 3 MAC) – *I get up at at this hour for my morning commute to Toronto. This day I remembered to turn my*

radio on while sipping on my morning coffee and reading e-mails - ed

15160 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 0608 with "Grandstand Sports" with report on a Triathlon competition (Fair Oct 31 MY)

0900 - 0959

4790 PERU Radio Vision tentatively at 0940 in Spanish with a woman and child asking apparent religious questions with a spirited man answering them with crowd approval then brief piano music at 0952 and a man with religious talk then brief ranchero-like guitar music at 0955 and more religious talk followed by children's chorus at 0959 then a man with more religious talk at 1003 (Good Nov 8 MAC-SL) – *thanks to the NASWA Journal and Don Jensen, DXer Emeritus, I have found out that the other Peruvian, Radio Atlantida, has stopped using shortwave and is only operating on FM at 106.5 - ed*

5000 HAWAII WWVH at 0920 with female time announcements under WWV (Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

6010 MEXICO Radio Mil at 0940 in Spanish with lively Latin pop music and a man with a "Radio Mil, Mexico" ID then more music followed by a singing ID (Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

6160 CANADA (NEWFOUNDLAND) CKZN at 0925 with choral music then a woman with CBC Radio One sign-on with frequencies then brief guitar music and into "Weekend Arts Magazine" (Very Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

6185 MEXICO Radio Educacion at 0955 in Spanish with Native American

chanting and drums then a woman at 0958 with a "Radio Educacion" ID and several promos (Very Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

11840 GUAM KTWR presumed the one at 0904 with a man preaching (Poor and weak in peaks Nov 7 MAC-SL)

1000 - 1059

2325 AUSTRALIA VL8T (Tennant Creek) tentatively at 1005 with a man and woman with an Australian accent with barely audible talk with a definite mention of "Australia" at 1020 (Very Weak Nov 8 MAC-SL)

5995 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 1037 // 6020 in Tok Pisin with a woman with a report on the Law of the Sea treaty then "Radio Australia news. Good night" at 1039 (Fair Nov 7 MAC-SL)

9710 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 1047 in Tok Pisin // 6020 with a man and woman with talk about PNG (Good Oct 27 MY)

1100 - 1159

9580 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 1105 with Tanya O'Shea with a report on the Australian Olympic Committee requiring more funding (Fair to Good Oct 27 MY)

9590 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 1148 with a feature on the 40th anniversary of the internet then news at 1200 (Fair but noisy Oct 30 MY)

9645 VATICAN Vatican Radio at 1144 with a series of hauntingly beautiful pieces of Latin choral music

then a man with brief talk in Italian at 1157 along with ID then a long pause and then "Preghiamo" ("Let us Pray") then killed by KBS sign-on at 1200 on 9650 (Very Good Nov 8 MAC-SL)

9740 SINGAPORE BBC at 1103 with Remembrance Day observances possibly from London (Weak Nov 8 MAC-SL) – *I would assume they mark the occasion on the Sunday closest to Nov 11 – ed*

1200 - 1259

3260 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Radio Madang possibly the one at 1210 with talk in presumed Tok Pisin and Island music (Very Weak Nov 8 MAC-SL)

3345 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Radio Northern presumed the one at 1231 in Tok Pisin with definite island music (Very Weak Nov 8 MAC-SL)

3365 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Radio Milne Bay possibly the one at 1228 in presumed Tok Pisin with a man with talk (Very Weak and noisy Nov 8 MAC-SL)

3385 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Radio East New Britain possibly the at 1222 in presumed Tok Pisin with definite Island music then a man with talk from 1225 (Very weak but fairly clear Nov 8 MAC-SL)

1300 - 1359

2310 AUSTRALIA VL8A (ABC Alice Springs) at 1334 with ABC news. Better than 2325 and much better than 2485. (Poor Nov 16 HTS)

2850 NORTH KOREA DPR Korean Central Broadcasting at 1350 with two men in Korean. (Fair Oct 30 HTS)

3260 PAPUA NEW GUINEA Radio Madang at 1347 in Tok Pisin with songs and talk then a man at 1359 giving frequencies and meter bands followed by instrumental national anthem at 1400 and off at 1401. (Poor Nov 16 HTS) – *Harold notes that this was the best of the PNG stations on this particular morning - ed*

3280 CHINA Voice of Pujiang Shanghai at 1346 in Chinese with talks by a man and woman. At 1428 noted 5075 //3280 with what sounded like a dramatization. (Poor Oct 30 HTS)

3320 NORTH KOREA Pyongyang Broadcasting Station at 1344, man and woman in Korean. //3250. (Both poor Oct 30 HTS)

3560 NORTH KOREA Voice of Korea at 1341 with operatic singing. This was apparently an English hour, but I didn't stay with it. However at 1415 noted them with French hour, including IDs at 1415 and 1432. (Poor Oct 30 HTS)

4920 INDIA AIR Chennai at 1356 putting in a decent signal in Hindi with talk and music and "All India Radio" ID at 1359 (Poor Oct 28 HTS)

5020 SOLOMON ISLANDS SIBC at 1336 with a BBC program discussing organic farming (Fair Nov 16 HTS) – *this one has been missing from my QTH for a while - ed*

6348 SOUTH KOREA Echo of Hope at 1333 in Korean with music and talk.

Also noted //3985. (Poor under jamming Oct 30 HTS)

9335 NORTH KOREA Voice of Korea at 1304 with a woman with news (Poor Oct 28 HTS)

9580 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 1310 with "Asia-Pacific" (Good Oct 26 RG)

9765 COSTA RICA REE at 1300 in Spanish with ID and news //15170 which improved as 9765 faded (Good Oct 28 HTS)

9840 VIETNAM Voice of Vietnam at 1347 with a man and woman with mailbag program (Poor-fair Oct 28 HTS)

9870 INDIA AIR Benguluru at 1339 in Hindi with local female vocals and a man with "Vividh Bharati" service ID at 1344 followed by possible ads and promos (Good Nov 15 MAC) – *this is not listed with the HFCC as "Vividh Bharati" is a domestic service. The HFCC files are for international shortwave broadcasts only - ed*

11675 AUSTRIA Polish Radio External Service at 1300 with news read by Danuta Isler then Agnieszka Bielawska with "Europe East" from 1304 (Fair to Good Oct 25 MAC) also at 1334 with a feature called "Whisperers" (Good Oct 26 RG) – *new frequency and relay for B09, which is far more reliable than 9525 which was via Germany - ed*

1400 - 1459

5765 GUAM AFN in USB at 1431 with CNN Radio news (Good Oct 28 HTS)

5985 JAPAN Shiokaze Sea-breeze at 1408 in English with a woman reading names and descriptions of Japanese women who went missing in the 50s and early 60s, suspected of being abducted to North Korea including birthdates, ages, heights, weights, other features, occupations and dates of disappearance then ID at 1425 as "Shiokaze Sea-breeze from Tokyo, Japan." (Fair Oct 28 HTS)

6225 UZBEKISTAN Family Radio at 1443 in English with preacher, 1453 telephone call-in. (Poor Nov 5 HTS)

6260 UZBEKISTAN Christian Voice at 1402 in Hindi with vocal music and a man with talk then a bi-lingual preacher in Hindi and English from 1440 (Poor Nov 5 HTS)

6890 ALASKA KNLS at 1436, English, with a prayer for Samoans impacted by tsunami, 1438 ID, music. (Poor-fair Nov 5 HTS)

7440 NEW ZEALAND RNZI at 1419 with a normally DRM frequency in AM and on early // 6170 with rugby scores, ID, and into a book reading (Very good Nov 9 HTS)

9465 SAIPAN KFBS at 1434 in Russian with preaching and songs, 1500 ID in Russian as "K-F-B-S Saipan" (Fair Oct 28 HTS)

9526 INDONESIA Voice of Indonesia at 1448 in suspected Malaysian per sked with nice easy-listening music, IDs between pieces (Poor with a het from CRI Nov 9 HTS) – *It seems like Harold got rid of one het with Poland moving off of 9525 and CRI steps right up to the plate. I guess us DXers just can't win - ed*

9690 INDIA AIR (via Benguluru) at 1433 in English, two men acknowledging listeners' letters and giving schedules of suggested broadcasts, several mentions of AIR. (Poor Nov 9 HTS) – *this is part of the General Overseas Service as opposed to the Vividh Bharati service – see my logging of 9870 at 1339 - Benguluru is more familiarly known as Bangalore - ed*

9725 THAILAND Radio Thailand at 1415 in English, ID, woman talking about a convention. (Very poor Nov 9 HTS)

9875 JAPAN NHK World Network at 1422 with a man and woman with a scripted dialogue for a science program then into what sounded like a language lesson (Poor Nov 9 HTS)

9965 PALAU World Harvest Radio beginning English programming at 1459 with ID, address, web, followed by hymn and into preacher. (Poor Nov 27 HTS)

11705 JAPAN Radio Japan at 1420 with "Radio Japan Focus" with a report on ethanol production (Good Oct 26 RG)

13695 USA WYFR at 1443 with "Open Forum" (Very Good Oct 26 RG)

1500 - 1559

6280 TAIWAN Family Radio at 1515 with Bible readings (Good Nov 5 HTS)

7260 RUSSIA, ASIATIC (Vladivostok) Voice of Russia at 1501 with a man wth news, 1507

promo for their new service over mobile phones (Good, QRM Oct 28 HTS)

15235 ROMANIA RRI at 1500 in Arabic with ID, news, and soccer scores (Very Good Oct 26 RG)

15610 USA WEWN at 1540 with a phone-in program with a woman concerned her daughter will become a Baptist (Excellent Oct 26 RG)

1600 - 1659

11775 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon at 1600 with the still very dead Dr. Gene Scott preaching (Very Good Nov 27 MAC)

11860 SEYCHELLES BBC at 1643 // 15400 with live Saturday football coverage of Manchester City plus scores of other games (Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

12160 USA WWCR at 1645 with the "Alex Jones Show" (Excellent Oct 26 RG)

1700 - 1759

6100 CHINA CRI at 1745 with a report on a visiting Belgian theatrical group (Poor-fair Nov 14 HTS)

7530 PAKISTAN Radio Pakistan presumed in Urdu at 1754, weak signal. (Nov 7 HTS)

7550 INDIA AIR at 1746 with a woman giving frequencies, introducing "devotional music" then news at 1800 (Poor with co-channel QRM to 1800 Nov 7 HTS)

7570 KOREA D.P.R. K.C.B.S. at 1749 with closing with anthem and off (Poor Nov 7 HTS)

7580 SRI LANKA Radio Farda presumed at 1750, man in language. (Fair Nov 7 HTS)

7850 CANADA CHU at 1752 with the same programming they carry every day! :-) (Very weak Nov 7 HTS)

9690 ROMANIA RRI at 1745 in French with Romanian hit parade show (Poor Oct 26 RG)

10320 USA (HAWAII) AFN (Pearl Harbor) at 1737 in USB with a program of heavy rock music (Very good Nov 7 HTS)

11765 SPAIN REE at 1755 in Arabic with pop music, ID, time pips, ID and news (Good Oct 26 RG)

11995 FRANCE RFI at 1703 in French with news dealing with war crimes tribunal in Sierra Leone (Good Oct 26 RG)

12015 FRANCE RFI at 1708 in Portuguese with news about election in Tunisia (Good Oct 26 RG)

12035 UNITED KINGDOM Deutsche Welle at 1710 in French with African news (Poor Oct 26 RG)

15120 NIGERIA Voice of Nigeria at 1740 with a woman with news (Good Nov 7 HTS)

15235 SOUTH AFRICA Channel Africa at 1741 with "Profile Corner" featuring "Women who are making a difference on the African continent" (Good Nov 7 HTS)

1800 - 1859

6030 CANADA CFVP (Calgary) at 1826, ad protesting funding cuts to education, ID "AM 10-60 Classic Country", country music. (Fair Nov 7 HTS)

6160 CANADA CKZU (Vancouver) at 1828 with CBC program "White Coat, Black Art" looking at group medical care. (Good Nov 7 HTS)

7240 RUSSIA Voice of Russia at 1808 in English, introducing music program (Good with some QRM Nov 7 HTS)

7390 CYPRUS BBC at 1819 discussing the political situation in Guinea (Fair Nov 7 HTS)

7405 CHINA CRI at 1815 with a woman with news (Poor Nov 7 HTS)

9410 SEYCHELLES BBC at 1830 with news (Fair, QRM Nov 7 HTS)

9425 INDIA AIR (Bangalore) at 1834 with news bulletin in English, into Hindi at 1835. Check of schedules confirms there is this 5 minute English newscast at 1830. (Good with QRM Nov 7 HTS)

9500 SWAZILAND Trans World Radio at 1854 in English with African music, Scripture reading and choir music then ID and IS at 1900 and into Hausa program (Fair Nov 7 HTS) – *Harold notes that the language line-up is different from both Aoki and EiBi listings – ed*

9650 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Polish Radio External Services at

1805, English, news, ID. (Fair Nov 7 HTS) also at 1821 with "Europe East" feature on a Czech clock tower (Good Oct 31 RG)

9704 ETHIOPIA Radio Ethiopia presumed, carrier noted at 1850, but at 1900 it just left the air and didn't return. (Nov 7 HTS)

9715 UNITED KINGDOM Deutsche Welle at 1827 in Russian with ID and a feature on soccer then German by radio course (Good Oct 26 RG)

9870 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA at 1840 in Arabic with music and talk // 9555 (Good Nov 7 HTS)

11655 MADAGASCAR Radio Netherlands at 1810 with an interview of a former newspaper editor in Afghanistan (Very Good Oct 31 RG)

11735 TANZANIA (ZANZIBAR) Radio Tanzania-Zanzibar at 1855 in Swahili with local music then time pips at 1900 and into news (Good Oct 31 RG)

11975 SAO TOME VOA at 1802 with news, ID, and report on US policy towards Guinea (Poor Oct 31 RG)

13590 ZAMBIA CVC Voice Africa at 1855 "Music Line" top 20 countdown then "1 Africa" ID jingle at 1900 (Good Nov 14 MY)

21455 USA WYFR (Florida) at 1836 with talk in German (Good Nov 14 HTS) – *I remember when this frequency used to be HCJB using a 40 watt ham rig. It was quite a catch being so low powered - ed*

21690 FRANCE RFI at 1841 in French talking about automobile emissions (Fair Nov 14 HTS)

1900 - 1959

7290 SLOVAKIA IRRS-Shortwave at 1913 in English with a tentative ID as "This is Euro Gospel Radio" then a Christmas carol by Perry Como and into more music from the 40s and 50s and IRRS ID at 1930, with address (Fair Nov 7 HTS)

7345 SLOVAKIA Radio Slovakia Int'l at 1935 in English, ID, man and woman. (Poor with QRM and //5930 just a trace Nov 7 HTS)

9440 CHINA CRI at 1925, English, reporting on unusual early and severe winter weather in China. (Good Nov 14 HTS)

9580 AUSTRALIA Radio Australia at 1949 with a woman hosting "Pacific Beat" (Very Good Oct 28 MY)

11690 SOUTH AFRICA Deutsche Welle at 1908 with a dramatization with Africans playing roles of female teacher and students and a male administrator discussing female personal hygiene (Good, RTTY QRM Nov 7 HTS) – *this one is not via Kigali, Rwanda until 2100 - ed*

11810 ASCENSION BBC at 1956 with English to Africa, feature on history of the slave trade, 1959 ID. (Poor-fair Nov 7 HTS)

11990 KUWAIT Radio Kuwait at 1924 with pop and hip-hop music then into a program about "The First House for the People" at 1930 (Fair Nov 9 MY) also at 1931 with the end of a

musical piece, ID followed by a man reciting proverbs very slowly from the Koran. (Excellent Nov 14 JR)

12040 PORTUGAL TDP at 1958 in Portuguese with National Anthem, ID and frequencies, time pips at 2000 and into soccer coverage (Excellent Oct 26 RG)

12045 GERMANY Radio Netherlands at 1915 // 11655 with "Network Europe Extra" (Fair to Good Oct 25 MAC)

12080 SOUTH AFRICA Radio Netherlands at 1945 in English with "Contact" reporting on migration of peoples (Very good Nov 7 HTS)

15190 EQUATORIAL GUINEA Radio Africa at 1927 with English language Christian programs with apparently a new program every 15 minutes, some with good modulation and others poor (Poor-fair Nov 14 HTS)

2000 - 2059

4940 SAO TOME VOA at 2035 with Ted Roberts with his "News you can use" and tribal rhythms (Fair Nov 7 MAC-SL)

6080 SAO TOME VOA at 2030 with "Music Time in Africa" with some great African music (Poor-fair Nov 7 HTS)

7510 UKRAINE Radio Ukraine Int'l at 2012 in English, reporting on H1N1 vaccinations in Ukraine then ID at 2014 and into "Ukrainian Diary" reporting on a book fair. (Poor Nov 7 HTS)

9410 SEYCHELLES BBC at 2024 // 15400 with a feature on a British

marathon runner currently recovering from a serious injury (Good Nov 1 MAC)

9490 MADAGASCAR Radio Sweden at 2037 in English with news and a report on H1N1 vaccinations. (Good Nov 7 HTS)

9505 ZAMBIA One Africa Radio at 2002 in English with lively program called "Kick Start" with two men and a woman with chatter, quiz, Christian teaching and music. (Very good Nov 7 HTS)

9735 RWANDA Deutsche Welle at 2050 with Deborah Friedman's "Chart Chat" portion of "Pulse" (Poor to Fair Oct 27 MAC) - *"Pulse" is the new program name for "Cool" - ed*

9970 BELGIUM RTBF at 2056 in French with two men with talk and pop music then a woman with a "La Premiere" network ID and brief news then a man with brief sports and more music (Very Good Nov 6 MAC-SL) - **Important News** - *Andy Sennitt of Radio Netherlands has relayed the sad news that the RTBF will cease using shortwave at the end of the year. Catch this one NOW before we lose another radio country - ed*

11092.5 SAINT HELENA Radio St. Helena heard signing-on exactly at 2000 with music, announcer at 2002. Checked frequently up to 2200, but signal remained very poor. (Nov 14 HTS) - *Unfortunately, I didn't hear a peep from this one in Central Ontario as was the case with many DXers in North America. A couple of times in the past their schedule has coincided with our Shadow Lake Radio Camp where it was heard quite well - ed*

11990 KUWAIT Radio Kuwait at 2030 with pop music with no announcements until a man with ID and TC and news briefs at 2050 (Very Good Oct 25 MAC) also at 2004 with hip-hop and oldies music (Good Oct 29 MY)

21525 NETHERLANDS ANTILLES (BONAIRE) Radio Netherlands at 2017 in English with "The State We're In" looking at extra-judicial killings, i.e. killings by police. (Very good Nov 14 HTS)

2100 - 2159

4845 MAURETANIA Radio Mauritanie at 2115 in Arabic with local vocal and string music and a woman with talk (Good Nov 6 MAC-SL) also at 2149 in Arabic with a man with talk (Barely audible Nov 14 HTS) – *Harold notes that this was approximately 3 hours before sunset in BC - pretty good propagation across the Atlantic and North America - ed*

5005 EQUATORIAL GUINEA Radio Nacional at 2123 in Spanish with a man with talk with mentions of "Malabo" and "Bata" then brief guitar music at 2125 and more talk (Poor Nov 6 MAC-SL)

5030 BURKINA FASO Radio Burkina at 2134 in French with a woman taking phone calls with many mentions of "Burkina" (Fair Nov 6 MAC-SL)

6030 CANADA CFVP (Calgary) at 2145 with country music and ID as "Southern Alberta's hometown radio station - Classic 10-60" (Fair Nov 7 HTS)

6270 EGYPT Radio Cairo at 2139 in English, woman with news. (Poor Nov 7 HTS)

7280 PORTUGAL Deutsche Welle at 2100 // 11690 (*via Rwanda*) with a man with news then "Newslink" from 2105 (Fair Nov 27 MAC)

7400 BULGARIA Radio Bulgaria at 2103 with news, weather, then "Daily Events and Developments" (Excellent Oct 20 RG)

7550 INDIA AIR at 2127 in English with Indian music and ID at 2131 ID (Fair-good, //6180 poor Nov 7 HTS)

9000 CHINA Firedrake from 2209-2237 with non-stop traditional Chinese instrumental music (Fair, improving to good Nov 14 HTS) – *Firedrake is not the official station name. It was penned by DXers like Glenn Hauser. It refers to a number of jammers aimed at preventing reception in China of Radio Free Asia. Programming consists of constant string, woodwind, and percussion music, although I cannot, for the life of me, figure out why they would bother using this frequency - ed*

9505 ZAMBIA One Africa at 2124 with English, Christian pop music, 2130 ID. (Good Nov 14 HTS)

9755 ROMANIA RRI at 2131 with ID and news then "The Week in Review" from 2137 (Very good Nov 14 HTS)

9580 GABON Africa No. 1 at 2145 in French with a man with talk and western pop music (Good Oct 27 MY)

9830 AUSTRIA Adventist World Radio at 2108 with "Family Affairs"

discussing loving your spouse then ID and address in Accra, Ghana at 2112 (Fair, ute QRM Nov 7 HTS)

11600 CZECH REPUBLIC Radio Prague at 2130 with sked the news (Very Good Oct 20 RG)

11690 RWANDA Deutsche Welle at 2130 with Deborah Friedman's "Hits in Germany" (Fair Oct 26 MAC)

11760 CUBA RHC at 2110 with "DXers Unlimited" (Fair with fading Oct 31 MAC)

17675 NEW ZEALAND RNZI at 2102 with news, New Zealand rugby results, and weather report (Very good Nov 7 HTS)

2200 - 2259

5910 SOUTH AFRICA BBC at 2200 with a woman with ID and news then "World Book Club" with a feature on a respected Islamic novelist (Very Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

5995 MALI RTV Malienne at 2230 in French with local string music and a man with talk then a man and woman with talk with mentions of "Mali" and "Bamako" from 2238 (Good Nov 6 MAC-SL)

6070 CANADA CFRX Toronto at 2222, starting out very weak but improving with obvious ads and at 2230 good enough to hear Toronto traffic report and "Newstalk 10-10" ID (Poor Nov 7 HTS)

6200 BULGARIA Radio Bulgaria at 2240 with ID then 52nd anniversary edition of their DX programme (Good Nov 20 MAC) also at 2233 with a

feature on environmental issues in Bulgaria (Excellent Nov 14 JR)

6973 ISRAEL Galei Zahal at 2257 in Hebrew with local pop music and a man and woman with talk at 2259 then a fanfare at 2300 and a woman with news (Good Nov 6 MAC-SL)

7230 THAILAND VOA at 2234 with a man with "News in Special English" (Very Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

7440 ROMANIA RRI at 2200 with sked then "Radio Newsreel" (Excellent Oct 20 RG)

9445 INDIA AIR at 2201 with a woman reading news then ID at 2210 as "This is the General Overseas Service of All India Radio" (Good Nov 2 MAC)

9625 RCI Northern Quebec Service from 2203 - 2210 with a French song and news and cultural items from the Montreal area (Excellent Nov 14 JR)

9915 ASCENSION ISLAND BBC at 2201 // 12095 with a woman hosting "Newshour" (Good Nov 11 MAC)

2300 - 2359

3985 CROATIA Voice of Croatia at 2328 in English with a woman with news and ID as "Voice of Croatia English news service" then into sked (Poor with HAM QRM Nov 6 MAC-SL)

4319 DIEGO GARCIA AFN at 2311 in USB // 5446.5 with a woman interviewing a man about Muslims serving with the US Army in Iraq (Weak Nov 6 MAC-SL)

5960 TURKEY Voice of Turkey at 2306 with a woman with "The news continues on the Voice of Turkey" (Good Nov 6 MAC-SL)

6015 ROMANIA RRI at 2318 with "Song of the Day" then a woman with ID at 2322 and into "Through the Looking Glass" (Good Nov 6 MAC-SL) also at 2300 with ID and frequencies then news (Very Good Oct 26 RG)

6070 CANADA CFRX (Toronto) at 2325, ads, drive home program with John Tory. (Fair with QRM Nov 20 HTS)

6160 CANADA CKZU (CBC Vancouver) at 2328 with traffic report, PSA, and weather (Very good Nov 20 HTS)

6240 PRIDNESTROVIE Radio PMR with OC from 2313 then a man at 2315 with "This is Tirasopol, capital of the Pridnestrovie Moldavian Republic. This is Radio PMR." then news (Very Good Nov 19 MAC)

7220 ROMANIA RRI at 2350 in English to Europe, program about writers, 2352 ID. Strong co-channel QRM. //6015 poor-fair. (Fair Nov 20 HTS)

7250 RUSSIA Voice of Russia at 2353 with a woman hosting a program of 20's dance music then a man with ID at 2358 as "This is the World Service of Voice of Russia" with frequency changes coming up at 0000 then IS (Very Good Nov 10 MAC)

7355 CZECH REPUBLIC Radio Prague at 2328 with Jan Vellinger with sked followed by IS then fanfare at 2330 and "Radio Prague News"

(Good Nov 11 MAC)

15720 NEW ZEALAND RNZI at 2353 with a reporter visiting landfill (Good Nov 20 HTS)

PIRATES

6924.9 UNID at 0424 in USB with German cabaret songs and Yiddish folk songs with frequent transmission breaks and dead air then a Frank Sinatra song at 0442 followed by more German music with no announcements to 0459 tune-out (Good Nov 7 MAC-SL)

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