



DX-Mirror

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Dear friends,

The hottest items in the stuff below are undoubtedly St. Helena Day and reveal of IRRS/NEXUS transmitter site location. Well, don't miss other news that are interesting as well!

73s, Dmitry

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DX NEWS

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AFGHANISTAN

6700.0, R Solh, Bagram Air Base (t), 1855, Oct 15, Quran chants, Vernacular talk, not clear whether Pushto or Dari – but who else is that being Quran on that frequency? Very weak 15542 and audible on 95 / 110 degrees aeriels. (Schliephacke)

ARGENTINA

13363.5, LS4, R Continental, Ciudad Autonoma de Buenos Aires, 2105, Oct 13, Spanish transmission of football match Argentina vs Chile from River Plate Stadium in Buenos Aires city, LSB mode, 34433. (Slaen)

AUSTRALIA

2485, VL8K, ABC Katherine, NT, 2040, Oct 26, had a different programme from the others Northern Territory outlets on 2310, which was in // 2325. Do they use to have different programming? S 3 on 2485, which was stronger than the others. (Fransson). Some times their programmes are different. (Petersen). Similar case noted Oct 24 at 2200 UTC (which is 0500 local time), on 60 mb: all three Northern Territory Service stations audible with 4835 and 4910 in //, but 5025 carrying separate programme. (Werdin)

BAHRAIN

9744.60, R Bahrain, Ras Hayan, 1350-1459 and 1810-1826, Oct 31 and Nov 06, Islamic programme in Arabic, music, talk, IDs and news, weak to moderate signal. QRM from *1459 from CRI, China, which signed on on 9740 and *1826 when TWR, Meyerton 9745 signed on. (Schulze). Also presumed heard at 0516-0517, Oct 30, Nov 01 and 09. (Liangas)

BOLIVIA

4600.44, R Perla del Acre (tentative), 1005-1009*, Nov 03, religious programme, "Dios en el lado...", weak. (Wilkner)

4732.04, R Universitaria, Cobija, 2300-0120, Oct 10 and 12, romantic songs in Spanish, Spanish talk, maybe about political celebration: "...el presidente de la republica Evo Morales Alva...", Radio Universitaria en esta transmision...", 24332. (Bobrowiec via HCDX, Slaen and Wilkner). Also heard 0140-0212, Oct 12, with a special transmission about la 4a Feria Expopando 2007 conducted by Pedro Picapiedra. "...somos Radio Universitaria en los 4730 Khz banda ancha de 60 metros onda corta y los 97.9 frecuencia modulada...Radio Universitaria voz oficial de la Universidad Amazonica de Pando...". (Rodríguez). Wasn't able to hear the station during the 2300-0100 check in late Oct - early Nov, only RTTY with "ryryryryryryryryry.." present. (Wilkner)

4875.9, R Estambul, Guayaramerín, 1000-1025, Oct 13, noted with weak signal, but silent since then! (Wilkner)

5996.35, R Loyola, Sucre, 2259-2400*, Nov 03 and 09, new station broadcasting Boleros and ballads in Spanish and Aymara, "...musica que todos quieren escuchar el sabado a traves de Loyola..." presented in the programme "Cancionero de Siempre". Ann: "...si amigos de la capital de Bolivia, hemos estado por Loyola con esta programacion, amigos de Loyola, hasta mañana..." Left the air without closing ann, 23432.

(Cañote, Rodriguez and Slaen). Heard Nov 10 at 0030-0040. (Wilkner). Also heard 0945-1030, Oct 31, Nov 06, 07 and 10 (but not Nov 01, 02 or 03!), Spanish news, talk about Bolivia: "...la Asamblea Constituyente", ann: "todas las noticias.....todas las informaciones..", best reception on LSB mode, poor quality signal, 24322, QRM R Guaiba, Brazil on 6000. (Slaen and Wilkner)

BRAZIL

6010, R Inconfidencia, Belo Horizonte, MG, 0513-0640, Oct 28, Brazilian songs, Portuguese ann and ID: "Madrugada, Inconfidencia", 22222. (Méndez)

9504.9, R Record, São Paulo, SP, 2155-2215, Oct 28, soccer reports and results in Portuguese, 2200 ID, 23332. (Schulze)

9695, R Rio Mar, Manaus, AM, 1007-1015, Oct 14, transmission of Sunday Mass in Portuguese. 24322. (Méndez)

11855, R Aparecida, Aparecida, SP, 2205-2209, Oct 27, religious programme in Portuguese, ID: "Radio Aparecida", "Aparecida", 24322. (Méndez)

CANADA

6030, Calgary - CFVP relaying CKMX (AM 1060), 0450-0520, Oct 22, the usual clear Monday (Marti and jammer are off), County and Western songs, promo (The Classic Country bumper sticker contest, giving away a deluxe fly-fishing trip to Wyoming) poor-fair. Radio ICDI (Central African Republic) still not heard at their *0500. Then a couple of weeks later, 1225-1333, Tu Nov 06, briefly noted the same relay on this rare non-Monday reception, under CNR-1, Country and Western songs, Elvis with "Heartbreak Hotel", ID "AM 1060". (Howard)

CHAD

6165, Rdif. Nationale Tchadienne, N'Djaména, 2105-2230*, Sep 21, Oct 05 and 06, is back from 7285v, "Le Press" in French, 2229 ann, ID, instrumental national anthem, transmitter problems noted, 44444. (Petersen and Schulze)

CHILE

6028.97v, R Santa María, Coyhaique (tentative), 0135-0240*, Oct 06, all religious programming in Spanish, mostly talking and briefly some religious music, weak, best in LSB to get away from splatter from Calgary on 6030.0. Web: <http://www.radiosantamaria.cl>. Not heard Oct 07. R Amanecer Internacional was in place on 6025. (Howard)

CHINA

3280, Voice of Pujiang, Shanghai, 1558, Oct 07, Chinese talks // 5075, 232. (Van Arnhem).

4900, Voice of Strait (presumed), Fuzhou, 1336-1407, Oct 27, assume in Amoy and Chinese, played a variety of music (traditional, pop, ballads, etc.), weak. Per their website <http://www.vos.com.cn/introduction/gbpl.htm>, their current SW frequencies are:

Channel 1 - News and Public Affairs on 4940 and 11590.
Channel 2 - Lifestyle and Entertainment on 5050 and 7280.
Channel 3 - Fujianese-dialect programs on 4900 and 6115.
(Howard)

4980, Xinjiang PBS, Urumqi, 0112-0113, Nov 11, via long path ann in Uighur, more dramatic sounding program with man and woman and some instrumental music, nice signal at S3. (Churchill). Back here on winterschedule. (Petersen)

5075, Voice of Pujiang, Shanghai, 1559-1601, Oct 07, Chinese // 3280, 1600 pips and off the air, 232. (Van Arnhem).

CLANDESTINES

3880, Voice of the Communist Party of Iran (tent), 1440-1530, Oct 05, covered by jamming, but audible now and then with what sounded like Farsi ann, 21221. (Vestesen in Jordan). Early broadcast! (Petersen)

4670, UNID, *0358-0407, Sep 24, 26 and 27, Oct 02, 03, 04 and 07, military music (anthem?), 0400 song, ID "radio de la Kurdistan" and then turkic folksongs, talks UNID language, jammed. nothing heard on Sep 25, 22242. (Liangas). I am quite sure it is the Voice of Free Kurdistan which this spring was heard at 0245v-0430 and 1630-1830v in Sorani Kurdish on 4670-4675. But not heard in Denmark 0250-0355 on Oct 17. Only Airlines in USB on 4675. (Petersen)

4675.08, Voice of Free Kurdistan, *0359-0500, Oct 19 and 20, Martial song, 0404 Kurdish ID: "Dengi Azadi Kurdistan" and talk about Kurdistan, Kurdish instrumental music and songs, jammed all the time, 33443. New sign on time! (Petersen)

4860, Voice of Iranian Kurdistan was not heard in Jordan. (Vestesen)

5910, R Republica, via Wertachtal, Germany, Mo-Fr 2300-0400 in Spanish was cancelled from Oct 01. (Ivanov via BC-DX, Oct 03)

5954.13, R República, Miami via ?, *2259-0100, Oct 16, 20, 23 and 26, Nov 11, piano IS, talk on politics in Spanish on new frequency not heard // 6135, fair, QRM R Taiwan Int. via WYFR on 5950. (Bernardini, Hauser and Valko)

5985, Shiokaze/Sea Breeze via Yamata, Japan, Nov 03, first day of heavy jamming, also covered Myanma R on 5985.8. Reception this past week fair to poor, with Nov 02 (Fri.) in English with "Shiokaze Sea Breeze" ID. Still need to check if they use callsigns (JSR) in any IDs. (Howard)

7540, Voice of Mesopotamia, via Maiac, Moldova, *1500-2100*, Oct 28 and 29, Kurdish talk, ID, Kurdish folksongs, new frequency ex 7590 (not heard), 55444. The carrier was on at 1457 before 11530 signed off! (Petersen)

9445, Andenet Le Democracy Radio on <http://www.andenet.com/> ann that as of Oct 28 moves from 11720 to 9445, time unchanged 1600-1700. (Krone). In Amharic We/Fr/Su. Broker is still TDP. (Petersen)

9445, EOTC Holy Synod R is a new programme on Mondays at 1600-1700 in Amharic, probably via Samara. Broker TDP at <http://www.airtime.be/schedule.html>. (Petersen). It was heard from *1600 on Mo Oct 29. (Ritola)

9445, EPPF Radio, on Thursdays at 1600-1700 in Amharic, probably via Samara, ex 15260. Broker TDP. (Petersen)

9525, Star R, Monrovia, via Ascension, 0713-0730, Oct 30 and Nov 11, English and Vernacular, live report from Monrovia via phone call, "Star Contact", read messages and also plays recorded messages, "You are listening to Star Radio", fair/QRM (heterodyne from Voice of Indonesia's open carrier on 9526.0). A single whistle tone was noted just before 0730 where CTN took over the frequency with IDs and programme in English (Howard and Vestesen)

9525, Cotton Tree News (CTN), Freetown, via Ascension, 0730-0800*, Oct 29 and 30, Nov 07, drums, news segment in English (items about results of study regarding smoking, proposed subsidy for the University cafeteria, about the ICC Secretary-General), news in local languages, gives 9525 frequency, fair/moderate heterodyne from VOI on 9526.0. "You have been listening to the news in Krio, Limba, Mende and Temne from CTN". (Howard)

9825, Starting Oct 25, Miraya R, Juba, Sudan, began broadcasting on SW 9825 at 1500-1800UTC acc. to station's web site. Mo-Fr news every 30th minutes in simple Arabic, Arabic and English. Features and information for and about the Sudanese people are aired in between bulletins. Sa and Su the SW transmission joins Miraya FM for news bulletins on the hour and the weekend edition of Sudan Tonite. Miraya R is a part of the Hirondelle foundation in Switzerland and the UNMIS (UN Mission in Sudan). Miraya FM funding comes from Canada, Switzerland, Sweden and Norway. (Lovstrom).

This is brokered by IRRS/NEXUS in Italy. Heard relayed from a powerful transmitter, *1258-1600*, Oct 25, 26, 27, 28 and 30, news, political comments and interviews, several ID's, many African pop songs in Sudanese Arabic and English, ". . . comes to you from 101 Miraya FM", ann "9825 at 6 to 9 evenings Sudanese time", but that is 1500-1800 UTC! However, this period may well be true on their FM-transmitter, 55555. (Berg, Bueschel, Fransson, Green, Herkimer, Ivanov, Petersen and Ritola).

Useful addresses are: Nanci Hersh, Broadcast Technology Officer /Radio Operations, UNMIS/PIO/Radio at e-mail: hersh@un.org, Leon Willems, OIC PIO/Chief of Radio, UNMIS, willems@un.org; UNMIS, Plot 16-17 Block 25, New Bridges Street, Manshiya Khartoum, Sudan. And the site mirayafm.org mentions another postal address: P.O. Box 69, Khartoum, Sudan. (Berg, Hauser, Herkimer, Krone and Ritola).

Well, what about the IRRS/NEXUS transmitter site? In the promo for European Gospel R on the PANAMBC site <http://www.radiopanam.com/europe.htm> IRRS claims that they are now broadcasting from Slovakia: "We are excited about our newest European service broadcasting from Slovakia utilizing state of the art broadcast equipment and digital technology. With the station's new strategic location your messages will reach a larger audience with a powerful and clear signal. Beaming a powerful 150,000 watts throughout all of Europe and portions of the former Soviet Union you have the potential of reaching over 163 million shortwave radio listeners! And, you will also minister to many more souls via the internet with the station's streaming audio technology."

Furthermore at: www.rada-rtv.sk/data/modules/download/1178109138_zaspinica_c8_2007-24_04_2007.pdf, there is an official announcement of the Slovak regulator saying that NEXUS International Broadcasting Association is using the frequencies 6125, 7285, 9510 and 15735 from April 2007. So, it seems that NEXUS/IRRS moved from Kostinbrod (Bulgaria) to Rimavska Sobota (Slovakia) when they started to use 150kW last year. (Petersen)

11530, Voice of Mesopotamia, via Maiac, Moldova, 1330-1500*, Oct 28, Kurdish talk about Kurdistan, Kurdish songs, 45444. Continued on new 7540. (Petersen). Also heard 0959-1005, Oct 20, Kurdish pop songs, 45544. (Liangas)

11610, R Voice of the People, via Talata-Volonondry, *0357-0425, Nov 09, open carrier until instrumental music 0400, opening ID and ann in local language. News began at 0401 and so did a music-type Zimbabwe jammer dominating the frequency. Fair at opening but quite poor after jammer opened up. (D'Angelo). New frequency, ex 9765. (Petersen)

11655, Suab Xaa Moo Zoo, a new daily broadcast at 2330-2400 in H'mong to Asia. Broker is TDP. (Petersen)

11900, Voice of Unity - Tensae Ethiopia scheduled here by TDP, *1500-1600*, Su Oct 28, signed on with typical Horn signal, Amharic test programme with non-stop Ethiopian songs except for ID every 15 minutes sounding like: "Yeh ye sait o piam dimtse Radio" - whatever that means ? It is repeated and later the word "demokrasi" is also announced. Abrupt s/off. No jamming yet, but QRM 1500-1530 from a religious station on 11895, 33443, after 1530: 35434. Former 15645 was no longer heard as it was on Oct 16, 19, 24. (Ivanov, Petersen & Zeidan). Not heard Oct 29. (Hauser). Registered for B07 on 11900 at 1500-1600 via Armavir, Russia. E-mails: tensae.support@gmail.com and tensae.ethiopia@gmail.com. (Bueschel, Oct 21)

13630, Voice of Democratic Eritrea, via Juelich, has this valid postal address: "c/o Eritraisches Zentrum, Neue Mainzer Str. 24, D-60311 Frankfurt". (Trutenau in DXplorer, Oct 09). P.O.Box 3524, Khartoum, Sudan is an alternative address on their web page http://www.nharnet.com/Contact%20Us/contact_us.htm. (Ritola in DXplorer, Oct 09)

15675, Southern Sudan Interactive R Instruction, via Meyerton, 1410, Nov 08, English lessons frequently punctuated by doorbells (as in American usage). Now in the SENTECH schedule: Tu/Th/Sa 1400-1430. Ex 15650. (Hauser)

17650, Voice of Meselina Delina [sic, really Meselná as pronounced and on VOMD website], via WHRA, still here on WHR website Mo-Fr at 1800-1830, and heard Nov 07 or 08 (Hauser). This frequency had faded out in Denmark at 1805 when checking it on Mo Nov 12. (Petersen)

COLOMBIA

6035, La Voz del Guaviare, San José del Guaviare, 2345-0220, Oct 04 and 13, Nov 05, Spanish talks, ID and song introductions, low signal (S3), but clear and good modulation. After 0000 little QRM from Bhutan. (D'Angelo, Bernardini via DXLD)

CONGO, Dem. Rep.

4845, R Tangazeni Kristo, Aru (near Uganda) may be active again on SW (with its 300 watts according to BDXC) or on FM. Site icc-cpi.int mentions that the first three of five programmes, "La CPI en RDC", "Les droits des victimes" and "Les droits de la défense" were produced with Radio Okapi and distributed to Canal Révélation, Radio Candip and Radio Tangazeni Kristo for broadcast throughout the Ituri region. (Kuhl in DXplorer)

EQUATORIAL GUINEA

5005.01, R Nacional, Bata, 2145-2155, Nov 11, back on the air, Vernacular ann, Afropop, 44333. (Petersen)

ERITREA

5100, R Bana, Asmara (tentative), 0413, Oct 05, Ethiopian style Afro pops, short talks between two songs in Tigrinia or other language. Also at 1600, Nov 02 and 09, low modulation S 5-7 signal. (Liangas)

7900v, Voice of the Broad Masses, Asmara, 1600-1700, Nov 04 and 05, talk heard with weak strength // P-1 on 7180. It was jumping around 7800-8100 followed by the Ethiopian "multitone" jammer audio which also was in synchro on both frequencies. I wonder if Eritrea now uses R Bana transmitter during 16-17 time block. (Savolainen in DXLD)

ETHIOPIA

5990, R Ethiopia, Geja Dera, 1800-2100*, extended broadcast (ex 2000*), Oct 04, 05 and 06, Vernaculars, international news, music from African Horn, 2058 national hymn by choir without interval signal, 54444 // 7110 (33443) and 9704.2. (Schulze)

HONDURAS

3340, R Misiones Internacionales, Comayagüela, 1110-1115, Nov 01, noted with increased power. (Wilkner)

INDIA

4835, AIR Gangtok, 1230-1240, Nov 11, can be heard loud and clear in the morning and afternoon. From *1240 its signal is been blocked by R Pakistan noisy transmission and its rough audio. (Sharma via Gupta, Nov 12)

4940, AIR Mumbai, 0151, Oct 05, on wrong frequency instead of nominal 4840, local ID's at 0133, 0147 and 0151. QRM Co-channel AIR Guwahati. (Jacob and Gupta). Another switching error! (Petersen)

4940 and 7280, AIR Guwahati is currently off the air via SW on as well as its external service transmission is also off the air on 7420. I have not found AIR Guwahati via SW on any other alternate frequency even on 4900. AIR Guwahati is nowadays very poor here on 729 MW. So, I was unable to listen to their frequency ann. (Sharma via Gupta, Nov 12)

4960 and 5985, AIR Ranchi: Is "regularly irregular." During my two-week stay at Bhubaneswar, eastern part of India, I could hear them only once on 5985, when it was blasting in. (Jacob)

INDONESIA

The following stations were/ were not audible on Java on Oct 23 and 24 between 1100-1400 UTC:

2960 RPDT2 Manggarai; ann in definitely Bahasa Indonesia (BI), poor level even here SIO 232
3215 RRI Manado not heard
3266 RRI Gorontalo, local/reg ann in BI, meny mentions of "pemerintah"=government, distinct echo probably from feeder, later gone when studio ann, ID and TA waktu Indonesia tengah = Central Indonesia Time, SIO 433
3325 RRI Palangkaraya, Indonesian pop music, SIO 444
3345 RRI Ternate, phone-in programme in BI, SIO 333
3579 RSPK Ngada, programme in BI, not pirate-like chat, rather professional, but even here in West-Java little more than threshold level on my ICF 7600GR
3976 RRI Pontianak, BI telephone reports, SIO 444
3987 RRI Manokwari, word programme in BI with either instr music in background or second station 3985/3990
3995 RRI Kendari, local/reg ann with many mentions of "pemerintah", SIO 333
4050 Pirate; chat in BI, 1 min off, then on again, chat w background music, quite strong but hollow audio
4606 RRI Serui, BI lovesong, 1159 RPK (SCI), ID into warta berita, co-channel Utility or Pirate, talk in BI, SIO 333
4750 RRI Makassar, BI news, still the strongest of them all here, but distant audio, SIO 434
4790 RRI Fak-Fak, BI ann, 1209 sports transmission with rapid talk, SIO 434
4870 RRI Wamena not hrd
4875 RRI Sorong not hrd
4925 RRI Jambi, word programme and live reports in BI, ID, regional news, the second strongest here, SIO 444
4925 Pirate at 1425 after s/off of Jambi, chat and music, sounds rather unprofessional, also at around 1430 no IS, no ID or TA, strong - I recall 10 years ago when I lived here, having come across this several times, pirate stations occupying a RRI station after close-down of latter. (Werdin).

IRAQ

6335, Voice of Iraqi Kurdistan, Salah al-Din, 0340-0405, Oct 02 and 06, Kurdish, instrumental music, female presenter with clear ID at 0400, 43433. (Liangas, Vestesen in Jordan). Also heard 0455-0510, Oct 23-10, Arabic news, Arab music - severe utility noise on the channel! 31341. (Petersen)

KOREA, North

6250.46, Pyongyang, Pangsong, 2104-2113, Oct 22, hymns and talks (programme schedule?), opera, 43433 FDM type QRM on its upper side // 6398.8, 33434. (Liangas)

KYRGYZSTAN

6030, Hit Shortwave, Bishkek, again after some weeks, with clear laconic ID at 1605, Oct 03: "Hit Shortwave". (Ritola). Here it unfortunately was covered Oct 14 and 16 by CNR-1 jammer (// 4800 and 5030) of Taiwan 6030 at 1555-1605 and by BBC Oman in Arabic from *1630. (Petersen)

LAOS

6130, Lao National R, Vientiane (presumed), 1440-1605, Oct 20 and 21, Vernacular, nice program of SE Asian music and songs, fair, on past their scheduled 1600 sign-off. (Howard)

6130, Lao National R (presumed), 1149-1223, Nov 06, Vernacular program of SE Asian music and songs, 1200 distinctive sound of a gong/bell rung slowly seven times, anthem, assume news and commentary, fair, above average reception. Also 1555-1603*, Nov 08, Vernacular, SE Asian music, sign-off ann and anthem, fair reception. (Howard)

LIBERIA

4760.05, ELWA, Monrovia, 1900-2301*, Nov 14 and 15, back on the air after 18 months absence, mostly African Christian hymns, light gospel vocals, bits of English religious talk, contact info for California, closed with Liberian National Anthem. Increasing signal strength during the four hours, but CODAR QRM, at best 34343. (Barbour, Herkimer, Savolainen and Wilkner in DXplorer, Petersen and Schulze). I checked various websites and found out that ELWA has a new 5 kW SW transmitter under installation, maybe even testing now. They will use old 4760 frequency and another channel in the 49 meterband. Some pages suggest 6070 will be used. Not yet known which transmitter will be on which frequency. (Savolainen in DXplorer)

MEXICO

9599.3, XEYU, R UNAM, Ticomán, reactivated after a few weeks, but still irregular and with better signal than ever, 2227-2312, 0314-0642 and 1341-1345, Oct 31, Nov 01, 05, 08, 09 and 11, mostly classical music, but also Spanish cultural discussion, TA and ID: "...son las 4 de la tarde y 30 minutos XEUN 860 Khz de amplitud modulada y XEYU 9600 Khz onda corta banda internacional de 31 metros agradecemos el favor de su preferencia...", mentioned e-mail: contacto@radiounam.unam.mx, 1332 relay of R France International during news hour, good modulation and at times no heterodyne, but QRM 2315-2400 Vatican R in Vietnamese and 0315 R Habana Cuba. It was silent on Nov 03. (Hauser and Rodriguez)

MICRONESIA

4755.25, Pacific Mission Aviation (PMA), Pohnpei, these contact details were sent to me direct from the station along with an e-mail verification for my reception:
Postal address: Pacific Missionary Aviation, The Cross Radio Station, P.O. Box 517, Pohnpei, FM 96941, Federated States of Micronesia.
Tel: 691-320-1122.
E-mail: radio@pmapacific.org.
Web: <http://www.pmapacific.org> and <http://radio.pmapacific.org>. (Cattermole).

Station wishes to receive as small audio samples as possible in our reception reports due to dial-up connection. Exactly on 4755.25 with 1 kW. They say that the speech parts come on very low modulation, because they have problems with the signal processor and they must bypass it for the the time being. (Ritola)

Station's announcements are: "You are listening to The Cross Radio and it is 1 o'clock – 12 o'clock.", "Hi, this is Nova, you are listening to The Cross Radio, I love it.", "Hi, this is Anjel and Tanya and you are listening to The Cross Radio, 88.5 FM, I like it." There are a couple of others but those are the main ones. Some of them are not English but Pohnpeian. (Roland at "The Cross" on Pohnpei, via Valko)

Current schedule of PMA The Cross at http://www.pmapacific.org/ministries/radio/thecross_schedule_11x17.pdf is at 1600-1000 on 4755 and 88.5 FM. (Kuhl in DXplorer). Obviously they do not go off the air between midnight and 6 am local as in their PDF program schedule for FM and SW (Hauser)

MONGOLIA

7260, Mongoliin R-2, Ulaanbaatar, 0842, Nov 05, comments in Russian by female voice about corruption among various Mongolian political parties' members, month of Mongolian-Russian friendship, performance of Russian/Soviet songs on Mongolian stages, etc. 34433. At 0855 returned to the frequency, but Russian announcer has already passed the mike to Mongolian speaker. (Mezin and Kulinchenko). Also heard at 0838, Nov 13, good signal with news in English and ID: "This is the news bulletin of the Voice of Mongolia in English on the Blue Sky Radio. We are on the air on Tuesday and Thursday". (Ritola via HCDX)

MYANMAR

5770, Myanmar Defense Forces, Taunggyi (tentative), 1130-1532*, Oct 12, 13 and 23, Nov 07, strong carrier with not too strong audio, usual Taunggyi-type of programming, pop songs, talk about Myanmar in Vernacular for about 10 minutes. Brief selection of indigenous instrumental music followed by sign-off ann, same indigenous music again till off the air. As no ID was recognized (anyone ever had a reliable ID from this one?) consider this one as tentative. They have been unheard here for weeks, maybe for months. Poor at tune-in but quickly improving to fair by sign-off. (Howard, Savolainen in DXLD, Wilkner). Last recorded TBM-logging was in May 2007. (Petersen)

NEW ZEALAND

3935, R Reading Service, Levín (presumed), 0804, Oct 05, English talks, 22222. (Bobrowiec via HCDX)

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

3355, R Simbu, Kundiawa, 1055-1204, Oct 13, music, Pidgin feature and long talk from 1126-1133, program outro giving address over choral music. 1134 National Broadcasting Commission promo over music. Then audio much too low and I got some awful local QRM. Glad to see this one return. (Valko)

PERU

3234.92, R Luz y Sonido, Huánuco, 0930, Nov 03, return to frequency after week of silence. Fair signal with ann and Peru music. (Wilkner)

5602.5, R La Voz de los Andes, El Higuero, 2358-0020, Oct 13, only operating on SW during weekends, greetings to "amigos colegas" de R La Voz del Rondero (6535.6 active) and R La Voz de las Huarinjas (6819.6 inactive), musica folclorica, ". . . continua en la sintonía de La Voz de los Andes, desde el Higuero para Perú, América y el mundo . . ." (Rodríguez)

RUSSIA

5960, R Tikhyy Okean, Vladivostok, *0935:16-1000, Oct 28 and 29, open carrier already on at 0918, Russian talks // 7330 (fair). This station broadcasts to the Russian fishermen and seamen out in the Pacific Ocean and is also broadcast via Primorskoe Radio on AM 810, also from Vladivostok. The website for PTR is: <http://www.ptr-vlad.ru/>. Audio streaming of

AM 810 and audio clips of Tikhyy Okean available at: <http://www.ptr-vlad.ru/tv&radio/listen/> . E-mail from Alexey Giryuk (Engineering Department - R. Tikhyy Okean), from Vladivostok, confirms that starting Oct 28, they will change to their winter frequencies and times of 5960 and 7330 from 0935-1000 (ex: 9765 and 12065 and ex: 0835-0900). (Bolland and Howard)

SAINT HELENA

Radio St. Helena is celebrating its special DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY year 2007 with a very special Radio St. Helena Day 2007 world-wide shortwave broadcast.

The year 2007 marks a DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY for Radio St. Helena :

- - the 40 th anniversary of broadcasting for Radio St. Helena, and
- - the 10 th shortwave transmission anniversary.

Saturday, 15. December 2007

From UTC	To UTC	Target area
1730	1815	New Zealand
1815	1900	India
1900	2015	Japan
2015	2145	Europe
2145	2245	North America East
2245	2330	North America West
2330	0015	South America North
0015	0100	South America Central/South

RSH will be transmitting on 11092.5 KHz in USB with 1000 Watts and using a 3-element monoband directional antenna. There will be a VERY SPECIAL and beautiful full-colour QSL card issued by Radio St. Helena for this special DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY shortwave transmission. The same procedures as in 2006 for reception reports, return postage, and QSLing will apply for this broadcast in 2007. Watch our web page: www.sthelena.se/radioproject for more information. (Lawrence and Kipp)

SINGAPORE

6185, R Singapore International, 1115-1315, Oct 20, programming in Chinese, IDs "RSI", often mentions RSI website, several "Singapore" jingles. Good reception. Scheduled for 1100-1400. I occasional see postings for China Huayi Broadcast Co. here during this same time period, but I wonder how CHBC's 15 KW could compete with RSI's 250 KW. Not a trace of CHBC heard today. Does CHBC still change to 4830 in the winter? (Howard)

TURKMENISTAN

4930, Türkmen R, Asgabat, 2135-2200, Nov 11, Turkmen talk mentioning Turkmen, 3 ID's: "Miras Radio...", audible in AM and LSB only, 33333. Another Central Asian station was audible at the same time, maybe a spurious signal from another Türkmen programme which was not // 5015. (Petersen)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

9265.04, WMLK , 1857-1901, Oct 15, talk by Elder Jacob O. Meyer with references to Yaweh. ID with address at 1901. Poor to fair strength. Modulation seemed to be about 30%. Only peaking at about S-6. (Valko)

VIETNAM

5975, Voice of Vietnam, Son Tai, *2259-2350, Oct 04 and 05, new sign on time (ex *2200), Vietnamese time ann, 2300 ID by man and woman, instrumental national anthem, news with short music bridges, political reports with mention of Myanmar and other Asian countries, 45433, no parallels heard. (Schulze)

6165, Dai Tieng Noi Vietnam, Xuan Mai, Hanoi, 2230-2300*, Oct 05-10, H'Mong talks mentioning Viet Nam, songs, closing ann mentioning Viet Nam, audible when Tchad signs off, QRM weaker Bolivia, 33333. (Petersen and Schulze)

9850, Voice of Vietnam, Minorities Network, *0400, Nov 08-10, excellent no-fading signals. (Padula)

9875, Voice of Vietnam, National Network, 0410-0500, Nov 08-10, Vietnamese. (Padula)

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