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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Friday, 18th/November, through Friday, 25th/November there were 233 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E6, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TY, Z, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XW, XX9, XZ, YA, YB, YI, YL, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZD8, ZF, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

3B9, RODRIGUEZ ISLAND (Reminder). By the time you read this Olof, GOCKV, will once again be active as 3B9HA from Rodriguez Island (AF-017, WLOTA 4265) until December 12th. Activity will be holiday style focusing on the low bands and CW. He also plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via M0OXO or LoTW.

3D2, FIJI. Jim, WB2TJO, will once again be active as 3D2JS from Taveuni Island (OC-016) sometime late November through March 2017. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign.

3D2, Chris, VK3FY, will be active as 3D3FY (requested call) from Fiji (OC-019) between December 6-14th. Activity will be holiday style on 80-10

meters using CW and SSB. QSL via M0OXO OQRS.

3Y0Z BOUVET ISLAND DXPEDITION UPDATE. The following update was posted under <http://www.bouvetdx.org/news-and-updates/>: A Message From the DXpedition Team -- Our Commitment to You -- A DXpedition to Bouvet is not to be taken lightly. Bouvet is a serious and dangerous place; demanding attention to safety, serious planning, physical and mental endurance, time to allow for storms and rough seas, and a team with the right balance of size, experience, talent, emotional stability, and sense of purpose. We feel we have met these criteria, but when we arrive at Bouvet we also need to attend to our obligations to you, our financial supporters and DX audience. How we meet those obligations and expectations will define us as a team.

It is our belief that, given the rarity of this entity, we must pull out all the stops. We must utilize maximum legal power, the best antennas, world class transceivers, propagation studies, the best location on the island, a safe vessel and crew, highly qualified helicopter pilots, and the complimentary resources of our team. We will need near real time information flowing to us through our extensive pilot system so that we can maximize our primary purpose ? providing QSO?s.

We have a conscience. We will not do this just for the sake of doing it and end up using a compromised location, less than 24/7 coverage of all open bands, limited power, inefficient antennas, and insufficient time at the island. We want to do this right and give everyone the best possible chance of making the QSO?s they desire, be they on 160, the WARC bands, SSB, CW, RTTY, or 6 and 2 meter EME.

Rest assured that we will do our very best for you! No shortcuts or compromises! ..... The 3Y0Z Bouvet Island DXpedition Team

4L, GEORGIA. Operator Vaho, 4L8A, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contests (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via K1BV or LoTW.

4X, ISRAEL. Arthur, 4X4DZ, will be active as 4X2M during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via his home callsign.

5H, TANZANIA. Mike, 5H3EE, from Dar es Salaam will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. In the past suggested frequencies were 14069, 21069 and 28069 kHz. QSL via DL4ME. Mike states, "Fast and safe is to request QSLs online via our Online QSL Request System (OQRS). Please do not send QSL cards via bureau or emails with QSO data anymore! Use the Online QSL Request System! This will create a much less work load for us. We do not answer QSL cards, that come in via the bureau!"

8R, GUYANA. Heye, DJ9RR, is now active as 8R1/AG6UT from Guyana. His length of stay is not known. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, and he is planning to be in CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-17th). Look for him to be on the air after the contest. QSL via DJ9RR.

9XB954, RWANDA. Harald, DF2WO, will be active from Kigali, Rwanda, with the very unusual callsign, 9XB954, sometime during February/March 2017. This callsign has already been "validated by ARRL". Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS. Look for more details to be forthcoming.

A3, TONGA. Hiro, JA6WFM, is now active as A31MM from Nuku 'alofa, the capital city of Tonga (OC-049), until the end of the year 2017. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using a TS-480 into a long-wire with ICOM AH-2 for 160-10m, HB9CV for 15m and a 4 element beam for 6m. Look for him to

be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via EA5GL or LoTW.

A4, OMAN. The Royal Omani Amateur Radio Society (ROARS) Contest Team led by Adnan, A41LP, will field a multi-national group coordinated by Prasad/VU2PTT (A45VA), consisting of Mohib/A41JZ, Chris/A45XR, San/VU2WH (A45WH), Paul/A65DR (A45VB) and Pai/VU2PAI (A45VI) with technical support from several Omani amateurs in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry from the new A47RS club station using the special contest callsign A44A. QSL is via A47RS. QSL individual operators who may be active before or after the contest to their home callsign or check QRZ.com.

A5, BHUTAN (Reminder). By the time you read this, Nobuaki, JA0JHQ, will once again be active as A52NH from the Dochula Resort in Paro until November 27th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. However, Nobuaki states, "Last time in March, I could not QRV on 80m and 40m, so this time, Low bands mainly... At the sunrise, I am trying 160m." He will also try to be in CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th). He plans to use a TS-480HX w/200 watts on HF and 100 watts on 6m. Antennas are a 10m Micro-vertical (160/80/40/30m), Single-Delta-Loop (20/17/15/12/10m) and a LW for 6m. Log will be posted to ClubLog daily. QSL via JA0JHQ, direct, by the Bureau and LoTW (after his return). For more details and updates, see: <http://pandasan.jimdo.com>

AH2, GUAM. Members of the Guam Contest Club will be active as AH2R during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Toshinobu/JI3ERV (NH2C) and Mikawa/JR7OMD. QSL via LoTW or to JH7QXJ, direct or by the Bureau. PLEASE DO NOT QSL via the KH2 Bureau.

CN2, MOROCCO. A Russian team is expected to be active as CN2AA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Operators mentioned are R3FA, Dmitry/R3GM, Dimitri/RA3CO, Roman/RN5M, Dimitri/RA9USU, Andrey/RV1AW, Dmitriy/RW3FO, Andrey/RW4PL, Sergey/RX3APM, Vadim/RX4W, Andrew/UA3AB, Babayan/UA3ASZ and UA4Z. QSL via UA2FM and LoTW. See more details and pictures at: <http://www.cn2aa.com>

CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS. Operators Serge/R7KW and Oleg/YL3JM are now active as CT9/R7KW and CT9/YL3JM, respectively, from Madeira Island (AF-014) until November 27th. Look for R7KW to be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as CT9/R7KW and as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power/Assisted entry. QSL via K2PF or ClubLog's OQRS.

D1, DPR. Konstantin, D1WW, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power entry. The DPR is the "Donetsk People's Republic"  
<[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Donetsk\\_People%27s\\_Republic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Donetsk_People%27s_Republic)>  
<[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Communist\\_Party\\_of\\_the\\_Donetsk\\_People%27s\\_Republic](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Communist_Party_of_the_Donetsk_People%27s_Republic)>  
and is an unrecognized republic still a part of Ukraine. It is in Zone 16 and NOT GOOD FOR DXCC. QSL via UA6GG or eQSL.

E2, THAILAND (Reminder). Members of the Thailand DX Association (HSDXA) will be active as E2X (in Zone 26) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW. Visit the HSDXA Face-Book page or Web page at: <http://www.facebook.com/hsdx>  
<http://www.qsl.net/hsdx/index1.htm>

ES, ESTONIA. Operators Aleksander/ES1OX, Andy/ES2NA, Toivo/ES2RR, Arvo/ES2MC, Villi/ES3VI, Anatoli/ES4RD, Tonno/ES5TV, Toomas/ES5RY, J?ri/ES5JR, Kristjan/ES7GM, Juha/OH1JT, Jarmo/OH7JR, Honza/OK1JD, Girts/YL2KL and

Oleg/YL3DW will be active as ES9C during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via LoTW or ES5RY.

GU, GUERNSEY. Oleg, RL5D, will be active as GU3HFN (the Guernsey Amateur Radio Society callsign) from St. Peter Port during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Listen for QSL info.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. Felipe, NP4Z, will be active as HI3/NP4Z from the Dominican Republic during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via N4AO.

HS, THAILAND. Bob, HS0ZIA, and a team of operators will be active as HS0ZIA during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. Just a reminder that Bob has a full-size 80 meters Yagi 3/4 wave high, four-over-four 3 element Yagis stacked on 40 meters as well as some big stuff on the higher bands. HS stations are only allowed to operate between 3500-3540 kHz. Bob usually will be looking for NA stations every evening from now through the contest on 80m. QSL via LoTW.

HS, THAILAND. Members of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST) national will be active as HS0AC during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. Operators mentioned are Jack/HS1FVL, Nikorn/HS5NMF and others. The station does have a 3 element 40 meter Yagi. QSL via E21EIC, LoTW and by the Bureau.

#### IOTA NEWS.....

AS-088. Members of Qatar Amateur Radio Society (QARS) will be active as A70X from Al Safliyah Island between January 1-7th. Activity will be on various HF bands using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via M0OXO or OQRS.

EU-123. Operators George/EA2TA, Dave/EI9FBB and Col/MM0NDX will be active as MS0INT from Isle of Bute between February 10-12th, 2017. Activity will be on various HF bands. QSL via M0OXO.

EU-157. Operators Gil/F4FET, Antoine/F5RAB and possibly others will be active as TM1CEZ from Cezembre Island between December 26-28th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. They will have 3-4 stations on the air. QSL via M0OXO or OQRS <http://www.m0oxo.com/oqrs/>.

KP4, PUERTO RICO. Jaime, WP3A, will be active as KP4BD from Las Piedras during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via NP3LT.

MD, ISLE OF MAN. Gordon, MM0GPZ, will be active as MD2N from the IOM between November 26-28th. He plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (40m)/Low-Power/Assisted entry. He states that he will use a 1/4 vertical in the sea and a dipole.

MZ5, SCOTLAND. Nigel, G3TXF, will once again be active from the Scottish Shetland Island (IOTA EU-012) as MZ5A during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via ClubLog's OQRS for direct, Bureau and LoTW.

MZ5, SCOTLAND. Ian, G3WVG, will once again be active from the Scottish Shetland Island (IOTA EU-012) as MZ5B during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as Single-Op/Single-Band (160m) entry. QSL via ClubLog's OQRS for direct, Bureau and LoTW.

NH2, GUAM (OC-026). Joel, KG6DX, will once again be active as NH2DX in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (15m)/entry. QSL via NH2DX (CBA or QRZ.com address) or LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs.

NI6, UNITED STATES (Special Event). Members of the "Battleship Iowa Amateur Radio Association" (BIARA) will be active as NI6BB between 1600-2359z on Wednesday, December 7th, in memory of the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941. The ship's circa 1980's legacy gear will be manned by the "Gray Radio Gang" on 40 meters SSB from approximately 1800-2300z. Operations are planned to be on 7241 kHz and as the transmitters are on deck 3 and the receivers are on the main deck, QSYing to tweek you in is nearly impossible. Please ensure you are on frequency before you call as they cannot easily track you. Understand that there will be a delay between transmit and receive due to the receiver recovery time. The main BIARA team will man both their SSB and CW stations using amateur radio transceivers on 20-10 meters commensurate with conditions. Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 14041, 18078, 21041, 24896, and /or 28041 kHz

SSB - 14341, 18141, 21441, 24941 and /or 28441 kHz

Watch the packet clusters for frequencies. QSL via the info on QRZ.com. Also follow BIARA's activities at: <http://biara.org>

OF9, FINLAND (Press Release OH2BH -- From Offices of Santa Claus in Finland, dated November 19th). DECEMBER'S ULTIMATE EVENT -- OF9X PROMOTES THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ON THE RADIO SPECTRUM -- Greetings from the Land of Santa Claus, in the Far North at the Arctic Circle.

The busy yuletide season is soon upon us, and Santa is preparing his sleigh for another world tour. The old man is very busy, but fortunately the elves are there to help him deliver the Christmas spirit to the world's children.

The Ou-Hou (OH) people are also bringing Santa to the ham community as in many past years, utilizing some high tech to assist him. With the help of multimedia and the Internet, a dozen or so elves will operate Santa Radio, OF9X, with their own identity.

As a reward for contacting several of them, your brave children, grandchildren, or neighbors' children may even speak with Santa himself. Amateur Radio's future resides in our youth, and Santa can be their first contact with the art. This year's activity will also pay respect to the ARRL's late President Emeritus, Jim Hayne, W5JBP, who became a SK at the time the Santa script was in making. We wish to carry on the spirit of his mission ? the Big Project ? in this format.

The certified reindeer driver and Laplander Pertti ?Pete? Koivula, OH2BEE/OH9U, will give Santa a face and voice, tapping into his professional background as a famous actor of the Helsinki City Theatre. Pete is well known from his role in the Finnish national movie ?The Unknown Soldier,? exploring those difficult bygone times of war, still remembered by seasoned Finns.

The Santa activity's end will mark the beginning of Finland's Anniversary as a 100-year-old sovereign and independent nation.

The patron of the OF9X Santa Activity is Mr. Juha Sipil?, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Finland. Mr. Sipil? indicates his sincere support of Finland being the home of Santa and states that "using the latest technology to promote Santa is valuable support for Finland and helps make this Christmas a special one." He further expresses his pleasure of "welcoming an increasing number of visitors, such as those from America and China, who come to explore the treasures of Finnish Lapland by flying directly to Santa Claus Airport at the Arctic Circle."

More details will be released soon. The OF9X (Old-Father-9-Christmas) activity is supported by the Finnish Telecommunications Regulatory Authority

(FICORA) and the Finnish Amateur Radio Association (SRAL), and is organized by Radio Club of Pusula, OH9W with Radio Arcala, OH8X of Oulu, the frozen

North.

Note; you can request two pictures from SRAL, Annika, OH2HSJ, email at: [oh2hsj@sral.fi](mailto:oh2hsj@sral.fi)

1: Prime minister Juha Sipila and 2: Santa Claus, OH2BEE/OH9U

PJ4, BONAIRE. Mike, NA9Q, will be active as PJ4/NA9Q from Bonaire (SA-006) between December 4-10th. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 meters using primarily SSB with some RTTY and CW, with 100 watts and portable/temporary antennas. Depending upon band conditions, an effort will be made in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest (December 10th). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW upon his return. QSL via his home callsign.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (November 28th-December 4th).....

Nov/28th HN	Dec/01st AN	Dec/03rd AN
Nov/29th HN	Dec/02nd AN	Dec/04th AN
Nov/30th HN		

SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE

NORMALITY	GEOMAG	K Values	Alpha
AN - Above Normal	Quiet	K=0-1	0-7
HN - High Normal	Unsettled	K=2	8-15
LN - Low Normal	Active	K=3	16-29
BN - Below Normal	Minor Storm	K=4	30-49
DIS - Disturbed	Major Storm	K=5	50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed	Severe Storm	K=6-9	100-400

REALTIME BAND CONDITIONS WEB SITE <http://www.bandconditions.com>:

The purpose of this experimental Web site is to provide 24-7-365 actual (REALTIME) band condition information to CW QRPp, QRPe and CW/SSB for Contesters interested in increasing their scores. It can also be of benefit to other Radio Amateurs to determine band conditions for Nets and casual QSO's. This information is NOT based on any software predictions or any kind of satellite based readings. It is based on a new Ionospheric sounding method called "HF Ionospheric Interferometry" which operates very similarly to the PolSAR system used by NASA.

Also, check out the VOACAP predication Web page at:

<http://www.voacap.com/prediction.html>

PY, BRAZIL. Ed, PS7DX, will be active from a Lighthouse (BRA 035) during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m)/High-Power entry. QSL via his home callsign.

PZ, SURINAME. Members of the Voodoo Contest Group will be active as PZ5V from Paramaribo during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-? entry. QSL via Tim, M0URX. Operators mentioned are Ned/AA7A, John/G4IRN, Lee/KY7M, Dave/N4QS and Bud/N7CW. For more details, see:

<http://voodoocontestgroup.com/suriname-2016>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX by Lothar, DL1SBF.. (November 25th) [www.qsllinfo.eu](http://www.qsllinfo.eu)

40/KC0W via KC0W (d)	EA8/OH5C via OH5C	TA3/LZ1CNN via LZ1CNN
6Y9X via KQ1F	EA8/OZ1AA via OZ1ACB	TK/S53WW via S53WW
8Q7DV via UA9CLB	EA8/RM5M via RM5M	TK/S57C via S57C
8Q7SP via SP6FXV	EA8/UA3RF via UA3RF	TO2EE via K2HVN
8S7A via W3HNC	II7WAVE via IK7HTB	VE3DZ/KP4 via VE3DZ
A60TVD via A61BK	PJ2/RW0CN via RW0CN(B)/VE7ACN (d)	VP2ESM via OH1VR (d)
CT9/DJ0IF via DJ0IF	PJ2/W8WTS via W8WTS	VP5/W5CW via W5CW

CT9/DL1CW via DL1CW      PJ4/K9NW via K9NW      VP9/KQ8Z via GM0IIO (d)  
CT9/DL5CW via DL5CW      PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI      ZA/OG1N via OH2TA  
CT9/DL8JJ via DL8JJ      PZ5V via M0URX      ZF2MJ via W6TMD  
CT9/YL3JM via K2PF (O) R80BRE via RC3M  
(e) eQSL only    (d) direct only    (B) Bureau only    (\*-B) DX's- Bureau  
(O) OQRS only    (C) ClubLog only    (L) LoTW only

XZ1A is now open for OQRS at: <https://secure.clublog.org/charts/?c=XZ1A>

CYPRUS QSL NEWS. Baz, 5B4AHO, has retired as QSL Manager for the Pafos Radio Club after 10 years of sterling work. The new QSL Manager is Norman, 5B4AIE. QSLs for the following callsigns should be sent via 5B4AIE: 5B4PRC, C4EURO, C4EU, P3EU, P3R and 5B70VE. ADDED NOTE: QSLing 5B stations in general -- A reminder that many Cyprus stations have a QSL Manager who is not resident in Cyprus. It is therefore pointless to send QSLs for these stations to the Cyprus QSL Bureau - the cards will almost certainly not be delivered to their intended recipient. A full list of these stations can be found here: <http://bit.ly/1QdZQht>

QSLs RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3W2DK, 9N7XW, AD8J/HR9, C31MF, DP0GVN, GI4SNA, J68HZ, LW9ETQ, LX1TI, N6NO/VP9, PJ4L, T6TM, T88XH, TI5/KE2D, TL8AO, TZ4AM, UA2F, V63YY, VE2TKH, VK2DX, WH7AA, XX90, YT1AA and ZL7G

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 5A1AL, AT2SL (AS-176), ED7SPI (EU-143), OD5RI (AS-108), PJ2AF, R3CA/8, R3CA/9, R3CA/0, RI1C/p (EU-133), RK10/p (EU-161), TL0A, VI6DH400 (OC-206), VK3IO and ZY8M (SA-045)

QSLs RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 3W4VE, 4S7FMG, 5B4AGY, 5B4AHJ, 5B4AHK, 5B4AJR, 5B4AJT, 5B8AP/P, AH0J, C4EURO, H2T, H22H, P3J, P40R, R2015KK, RP68TG, RP70AB, RP70AQ, RP70EV, RP70KD, RP71AQ, RP71VF, UE16SF, V73A and RW5CW

TL, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (Update). Members of the Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TL8TT (not TL8T) from Central African Republic between February 1-14th. Operators mentioned are Alfeo/I1HJT, Silvano/I2YSB, Vinicio/IK2CIO, Angelo/IK2CKR, Marcello/IK2DIA, Stefano/IK2HKT and Mac/JA3USA. The pilot stations are Art/IK7JWY (HF) and Sergio/IK0FTA (6m). Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and the Digital modes (The RTTY activity will be restricted to 20m). QSL via I2YSB, direct or the OQRS on their Web page at: <http://www.i2ysb.com/idt>

A TL8TT needs/wants survey is available on the Web page also. Logs will be posted on LoTW about 6 months after the conclusion of the DXpedition. For News and Forum, see: <http://www.hamradioweb.net>

LAST MINUTE UPDATE FROM IK7JWY (November 24th): "Our TL8TT license has been credited by ARRL and LoTW has been activated. Subject to availability of internet connection, the REAL TIME Log will be available at:

<http://win.i2ysb.com/logonline>

OQRS will be activated from the beginning of the DXpedition. At the end of the DXpedition, QSO data will be uploaded to LoTW for our Sponsors, the LoTW EXPRESS applicants and those requesting QSL via OQRS. In addition, contributors for 50 USDs or more will receive, besides our QSL, the DXpedition DVD. The complete logbook upload will take place by the end of August 2017."

UA2, KALININGRAD. Members of the "UA2F Contest Club" will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via UA2FM. Operators mentioned are Dima/R3DCX, Dmitry/RA2FA, Dmitry/RA3ATX, Alex/RN2FA, Dmitri/UA2FB, Vladimir/UA2FF, Victor/UA2FM and Igor/UA2FX.

UN4, KAZAKHSTAN. Nick, UN4L, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via UA9AB.

UP2, KAZAKHSTAN. Sergey, RU9I, will be active as UP2L during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (40m) entry. QSL via UA9AB.

VE2, CANADA (Zone 2/Cancelled). Operators Jean/VE2VIA and Jean-Pierre/VA2SG have cancelled their VE2SSS operation from Zone 2 during the CQWW DX CW Contest. No reason was given. For more details and updates, see: <http://nordx.net/index.php/les-dxpeditions/vb2t-cq-ww-ssb-2016-cq-zone-2-2016>

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND. Matt, VK1MA, will be active as VK9NM from Norfolk Island (OC-005) between December 19-26th. He states, "The primary aim of the visit is a family holiday, so I will not be operating for large periods of time whilst there, but do hope to make quite a few contacts over the stay. As a keen participant in the SOTA (Summits On The Air) program, I am intending to activate Mt. Bates several times during my visit. I will also be operating from the rented house near the center of the island - all going well, I will be using 40m to 10m from Mt. Bates and I hope, 160m to 10m @100W from the house." QSL via e-QSL and LoTW only.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. Dave, W5CW, will once again be active as VP5/W5CW from the VP5JM Hamlet QTH on the Island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 1476) between November 21st and December 13th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB. Dave also plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry and using the callsign VP5CW. QSL direct to his home callsign (See QRZ.com address).

XX9, MACAO (Update). Operators Alberto/VR2XAN/IV3TAN (XX9TXN), Andrea/IV3SKB (XX9TKB), Stefano/IK2JUB (XX9TJU) and Luca/IK2PFL (XX9TPF) are now active as XX9TXN from Macao (AS-075) until November 21-29th. Excerpts from an update states that the team will be active on 40-10 meters using CW and RTTY. They will use the callsign XX9TXN on 160/80/40/20/15/10 meters. The callsign XX9TKB will be used on the 30/17/12 meter bands. They state the following [edited], "Currently we have a lot of problems on Top Band due to a Radar covering a wide spectrum from 1.5 to 2.3 MHz. We are working to find the best possible solution in RX. From time to time we are looking only for North America because from this part of the world the path with NA is extremely difficult (Polar path) especially with East Coast of US. From XX9 working a W1 is like for a DL working T31 or KH1 !!!!! Please be patient. Opening with NA are very short and limited." The group will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-2 entry signing as XX9TXN. QSL via VR2XAN direct (also OQRS). Outside of the contest you may hear the operators use their own XX9 callsign. QSL via the operators' instructions.

YE, INDONESIA. The YE2A Team will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL only LoTW. NO Bureau QSLs. Operators mentioned are Agus/YB1ALL, Yohanes/YB2DX, Rivai/YE3AA, Totok/YB2FWQ, Dani/YB2TJV, Nur/YB2WBF, Igor/YC2/KC5VFFV, Martinus/YB2LSR and Han/YD1SDL/2.

YW4, VENEZUELA. Paolo, YV1DIG, will be active as YW4D during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via LoTW.

ZC4, UK SOV. BASE AREAS ON CYPRUS. Steve, G0GSB, will once again be active



as ZC4SB from UK Sovereign Base Areas on Cyprus (AS-004) between January 11-25th, 2017. Activity will be on 80/40/20 meters using CW and SSB, with an IC-706MKIIG w/100 watts into dipoles. QSL via his home callsign direct.

ZS8, MARION ISLAND. A couple of sources are reporting that David, ZS1BCE, will once again return to Marion Island as a communications technician, and be active as ZS8Z, possibly last December or early next year through May 2018. Activity will be limited to when time permits on various HF bands using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via ZS1LS.

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 The following stations are expected to be active in the  
 CQ World Wide DX CW Contest (November 26-27th, 2016)  
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Thanks to Bill, NG3K, for providing OPDX readers with the following consolidated listing of the participants in the 2016 CQWW DX CW Contest. For a more detailed listing (and up-to-date changes/corrections) in HTML format, please visit Bill's Web page at:

<http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqc2016.html> (By call sign)  
<http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcd2016.html> (By entity)  
<http://www.ng3k.com/Misc/cqcz2016.html> (By zone)

The CQ World-Wide DX Contest Web page and rules:  
<http://www.cqww.com/rules.htm>

Contest Callsign	DXCC Entity	CQZ	Class	QSL Route
3B9HA	Rodriguez Island	39	SOAB	LoTW; QSL via M00XO
3V8SS	Tunisia	33	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via LX1NO
4L8A	Georgia	21	SOSB 20M	LoTW; QSL via K1BV
4X2M	Israel	20	SOSB 20M	4X4DZ
4X6FR	Israel	20	SOAB	4X6OM
4X0W	Israel	20	SOAB LP	W1UE
5H1WW	Tanzania	37	M/S	RZ3FW; QSL via (C)
5H3EE	Tanzania	37	SOAB LP	DL4ME
5X1XA	Uganda	37		G3SWH
5Z4/DJ6TF	Kenya	37		DJ6TF; QSL via (DARC B/d)
6Y3T	Jamaica	08	M/2	VE3CX
6Y9X	Jamaica	08	SOAB	KQ1F
8P1W	Barbados	08	SOAB LP	KU9C
8Q7DV	Maldives	22	M/?	UA8DX
8Q7SP (B/C)	Maldives	22	M/M	LoTW; QSL via SP6FX
8R1/AG6UT	Guyana	09		LoTW; QSL via DJ9RR
9H3PP	Malta	15	SO	HA5PP
9M6NA	East Malaysia	28	SOSB 20M	LoTW; QSL via JE1JKL
9Y4/VE3EY (C)	Trinidad & Tobago	09	SOAB HP	LoTW; QSL via VE3EY and
A31MM	Tonga	32	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via EA5GL
A44A	Oman	21	M/2	A47RS
A52NH (C)	Bhutan	22		LoTW; QSL via JA0JHQ or
AH2R	Guam	27	M/S	LoTW
AH0K	Mariana Islands	27	M/2	OH6GD
AT5X	India	22	SOAB HP	LoTW
BA4TB	China	24	SOSB 160M	BA4TB
CB1H	Chile	12	M/?	CE1DY
CN2AA	Morocco	33	M/S	LoTW; QSL via UA2FM
CN2R	Morocco	33	M/2	W7EJ

CR2V	Azores	14	SOSB 20M	HB9CRV
CR300	Madeira	33	SOAB	LoTW
CR3W	Madeira	33	M/2	LoTW; QSL via DL5AXX
CR6K	Portugal	14	SOAB	CT1ILT
CT9/R7KW	Madeira	33	SOAB LP	K2PF; QSL via (C)
CU9AB	Azores	14	SOAB HP	HB9CRV
D1WW*	Ukraine	16	SOSB 20M	UA6GG; QSL via (e)
DX2R	Phillipines	27	M/S	
E2X	Thailand	26	M/S	LoTW
ED8X	Canary Islands	33	M/S	RN3RQ
EF3T	Spain	14	M/S	LoTW; QSL via EA3NO
EF8U	Canary Islands	33	SOAB HP	EA8URL
ES9C	Estonia	15	M/2	LoTW; QSL via ES5RY
ET3AA	Ethiopia	37		N200
FG/WJ20	Guadeloupe	08	SOAB LP	N2ZN (d)
FH/HB9AMO	Mayotte	39	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via M0URX
FO/K7AR	Austral Islands	32	SOAB HP	LoTW; QSL via K7AR and (C)
FY5FY	French Guiana	09	SOSB 80M	FY5FY
GJ2A	Jersey	14	SOSB	LoTW
GU3HFN	Guernsey	14	SOAB	
GU4CHY	Guernsey	14	SOSB 20M	GU4CHY (d)
GU4YOX	Guernsey	14	SOSB 80M	LoTW; QSL via GU4YOX
HB0/DK4YJ	Liechtenstein	14	M/S	DK4YJ
HI3/NP4Z	Dominican Republic	08	SOAB	N4AO
HI3CC	Dominican Republic	08	M/S	W2CCW
HR2DMR	Honduras	07	SOAB LP	KD4POJ
HR2J	Honduras	07	SO LP	HR2J; QSL via HR2J (d/e)
HS0AC	Thailand	26	M/?	
HS0ZAR	Thailand	26	M/2	K3ZO
IH9R	African Italy	33	SOSB 80M	IZ1GAR
IO5O	Italy	15	M/S	IK5RLP
J68GD	St Lucia	08	SOAB	LoTW; QSL via K9AW (d)
J70BH	Dominica	08		OH2BH
KH7M	Hawaii	31	SOAB HP	KH6ZM
KP2Q	US Virgin Islands	08	M/?	K3TEJ
KP4/VE3RSA	Puerto Rico	08	SOAB QRP	LoTW; QSL via VE3RSA (d)
KP4BD	Puerto Rico	08	SOAB LP	NP3LT
LY4A	Lithuania	15	M/?	LoTW
MD2N	Isle of Man	14	SOSB 40M	
MZ5A	Shetland Islands	14	SOSB 40M	LoTW; QSL via (C)
MZ5B	Shetland Islands	14	SOSB 160M	LoTW; QSL via (C)
NH2DX	Guam	27	SOSB 15M	LoTW; QSL via NH2DX (d)
NP2P	US Virgin Islands	08	SO	LoTW
NP3A	Puerto Rico	08	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via WD8CW
NP4DX	Puerto Rico	08	SOAB HP	TBA
OH5DX	Finland	15	M/M	LoTW
OH0Z	Aland Island	15	SOAB HP	W0MM
P40W	Aruba	09	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via N2MM (d)(no B)
PJ4A	Bonaire	09	M/?	K4BAI
PJ4Q	Bonaire	09	M/S	W4PA
PJ7/G4JEC	Sint Maarten	08		LoTW; QSL via N0UK
(B/d/C)				
PJ7/K0CD	Sint Maarten	08	SOAB QRP	K0CD
PX2V	Brazil	11	M/S	PY2KJ
P40C	Aruba	08		
P49Y	Aruba	09	SOAB	LoTW; QSL via AE6Y
PZ5V	Surinam	09	M/?	M0URX
RM3F	Russia (Europe)	16	M/S	UA3DPX
SU9JG	Egypt	34		EA5GL

SW9AA	Crete	20	SOAB	LZ1PM
TC3A	Turkey	20	M/2	LZ1NK
TF3CW	Iceland	40	SOSB 20M	LX1NO
TF3JB	Iceland	40	SOSB 80M	TF3JB
TI5/AB2E	Costa Rica	07	SOAB HP	AB2E (d)
TI5W	Costa Rica	07	SOAB HP	W4FS
TK0C	Corsica	15	M/2	LoTW
TO1A	French Guiana	09	SOSB	F5HRY
TX8F	New Caledonia	32	M/S	NI5DX; QSL via (C/e)
UA2F	Kaliningrad	15	M/S	UA2FM
UN4L	Kazakhstan	17	SOSB 80M	UA9AB
UP2L	Kazakhstan	17	SOSB 40M	UA9AB
V26K	Antigua & Barbuda	08	SOAB LP	LoTW; QSL via AA3B
V47T	St Kitts & Nevis	08	SOAB HP	W2RQ
V6A	Micronesia	27	SOAB	JA7HMZ
V73NS	Marshall Islands	31		LoTW
VC2T	Canada	05	M/S	LoTW
VE2	Canada	02	M/S	VE3NE
VK6NC	Australia	29	M/?	
VK9NX	Norfolk Island	32		LoTW; QSL via NX1P (B/d)
VP2EHC	Anguilla	08	SOAB HP	OH3JR (d)
VP2ESM	Anguilla	08	SOAB LP	OH1VR (d)
VP2VI	Br. Virgin Islands	08	M/?	TBA
VP5CW	Turks & Caicos	08		W5CW (d)
VP5M	Turks & Caicos	08	M/S	K4PQL
VP9I	Bermuda	05	SOSB 20M	GM0IIO
XW4XR	Laos	26		LoTW; QSL via E21EIC
XW0YO	Laos	26		LoTW
XX9TXN	Macao	24	M/2	VR2XAN (d)
YB0ECT	Indonesia	28	SOSB 15M	W2FB
YE2A	Indonesia	28	M/S	LoTW
YR8D	Romania	20	M/S	YO8KRR
YW4D	Venezuela	09	SOAB HP	LoTW
Z39A	Macedonia	15	SOSB 20M	LoTW
ZA/OG1N	Albania	15	SOSB 20M	LoTW; QSL via OH2TA
ZD8W	Ascension Island	36	M/2	W6NV
ZF2MJ	Cayman Islands	08	SOAB HP	W6TMD
ZF9CW	Cayman Islands	08		K5GO
ZL7/W1XGI	Chatham Island	32		LoTW; QSL via JA1XGI
ZM4T	New Zealand	32	M/S	LoTW
ZS2DL	South Africa	38	SOAB HP	ZS2DL

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