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PROPAGATION: Jul 2, Above Normal; Jul 3, High Normal; Jul 4, Above Normal; Jul 6, High/Low Normal; Jul 7, Low Normal; Jul 8, High Normal; Jul 9, Low Normal; Jul 10, Disturbed; Jul 11, Low Normal; Jul 12, 13, High Normal. TNX N4XX.

1AØKM at the Sovereign Military Order of Malta in Italy will be on the weekend of Jul 9/10, which is also the weekend of the IARU Radiosport Contest. IØMGM, IØIJ, and others will be setting the station up the weekend of Jul 2/3, and may operate briefly on those days. Operation will be mostly SSB although they will try to honor requests for CW contacts.

The July issue of Mother Jones magazine had an investigative article on CIA/Vatican connections; here's what they had to say about the "Knights of Malta": "The American section of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta has about 1,000 members... they represent the vanguard of American Catholicism, the point at which the Vatican and the U.S. ruling elite intersect... they are more than the Catholic aristocracy...they can pick up a telephone and chat with the Pope." American SMOMers include Lee Iacocca, William Simon, Clare Booth Luce, and both William Buckley Jr. and his brother James. Mother Jones claims the American section of SMOM "is one of the main channels of communication between the CIA and the Vatican."

KERMADEC: ZK1CG has been heard to say that ZL3AFH (ZK1WL) will operate from Kermadec in September. Let us be hopeful. Incidentally, ZK1CG's slide show of both S. and North Cooks, is now making the rounds of Stateside club meetings and reports on it are highly favorable.

31st ANNUAL NORTHWEST DX CONVENTION in Seattle Jul 29-31 will feature Hugh Cassidy as banquet speaker. Get a registration package from Ruth Bennett, WB7RVA, 6729 Beach Drive SW, Seattle WA 98116. MALPELO: the Colombian Minister of Communications has now granted permission for the operation, with a starting date of Oct 12. The Colombian Navy has agreed to provide a ship, which will depart Buenaventura for the 38-hour trip to Malpelo. The duration of their stay is not known.

On a related note, Colombia has established a novice class license and lowered the minimum age for amateurs from 18 to 14.

SOUTH YEMEN: word continues to filter in, to the effect that J28AZ has, after many years of trying, secured permission for a 70 operation. Holland's DXPress mentions an eight-day operation starting August 24. Rumors circulating that the operation would not be allowed to work U.S. amateurs appear to have no foundation. However, as is standard practice in the Arab world, contacts with Israel will probably be verboten. And another rumor is that, perish the thought, split frequency operation will not be allowed.

August issue of *Playboy* magazine has an article by Danny Goodman on general-coverage shortwave receivers. What's more interesting than the article itself is the "teaser" in the index:

"Time was, short wave was for studious types who couldn't hold their beer. Now it may be the best way to keep your ear to the world."

AS IF JIM SMITH, VK9NS, doesn't already feel persecuted enough, QST's "How's DX" column for July has a photo of Eric, SMØAGD, labeled as being VK9NS. Well, those things happen. Matter of fact, last week's issue of this very sheet reversed the two Cambodia photos. But we're certain you figured it out.

CLIPPERTON will be a reality at the end of 1983. We are sworn to secrecy as to the details, but we can say operators have been chosen and plans continue apace.

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MT ATHOS operation by six Greeks scheduled to have begun Jun 25 was cancelled; they could not get the necessary permission. They are talking about an SV9 operation in October, but we have nothing either pro or con Crete on that.

OSCAR 10 Satellite getting into the right attitude and the "kick motor" is expected to be fired July 4, with the transponder being turned on a couple weeks after that.

50.100 has been sounding like the low end of 20 Meters lately, with N-S propagation strong. VP2KBH and FGØHZW were the big attractions last week.

Stations in the Georgia R.F.S.F.R. will sign special calls from rare Oblasts 12-15 this month: EM60AC Jul 5-24, and UF6DA/U60, EM6V, and EM6Q the entire month, for a 200th anniversary celebration of something.

1SICK QSLs now being received for DUICK's early May operation from Panata Cay; ARRL DXCC Desk has received no documentation yet.

YU2DX made 1223 QSOs from BY1PK during his May 18-25 operation, and says he might go back sometime. QSL those contacts made by YU2DX to him, not to China.

S2BTF was on a "list" operation Jun 25, but no reports since then. Some sources have Peter returning to the U.K. about now.

The 31st Annual W9DXCC Convention will be Sept 17 at the Itasca Ill Holiday Inn. Advance regustration is recommended. Get details from H. Huntington, K9KM, 65 South Burr Oak Drive, Lake Zurich IL 60047.

ZLIAMO now says he just turned down a chance to go to Pitcairn this summer, as he's putting in much of his time (still) working on Kermadec permission.

Here's a breakdown of East German callsigns:

Repeaters: Y21A-Y29Z Individuals: Y21AA-Y29ZZ Contest stns: Y31A-Y39Z Clubs: Y31AA-Y39ZZ Beacons: Y41A-Y49Z

Clubs: Y41AA-Y49ZZ, Y51AA-Y59ZZ, Y61AA-Y69ZZ, Y71AA-Y79ZZ

CANADA'sDOC has jsut granted landing permission for another VEISPI St. Paul Island operation...Sept 23 to Oct 3. Eight operators will work 160 Meters through 432 MHz, and they hope for better worldwide propagation than they had during the last operation, in July 1982.

QSL INFO

YB5ASO is former YB5AES; QSL to W4BBP KØLD needs help with XZ20M, Oct 1956 K4JRB needs leads on an A51 adr and a manager for XUIDX (1974)

9V1VP via K5YY ONLY May 15-17, 1983; otherwise direct to Bob Furzer, #5 Jalan Harum, 1026 Singapore

WØAX is NOT manager for FRØFLO; QSL direct only

For LU3ZY, try via WA2VUY, with a large (5X7 in) SASE and a donation

W5XC looking for tips on: ZD8ZF (6/68), ET3USA (5/64), KW6EM (9/67), 9G1FK (64)

VE7BD looking for help getting VS9AJS (67); K4JRB suggests on VS9s to try G3RAF or RSGB Bureau

W6GO/K6HHD QSL LIST available from PO Box 700, Rio Linda CA 95673; updated continuously, published monthly, QSL managers listed for over 5,000 DX Stations. US/VE/XE rates are \$15 for 12 issues, \$1.75 each. Overseas Airmail rates are \$25 for 12 issues, \$2.80 each.

-----Advt.-----

COMMENT

IT MAY BE just a coincidence, but when our circulation peaked a couple of years ago, we were doing unofficial "equipment reviews." Many of you perceived that we were beholden to no one, and it showed in our comments.

We certainly didn't make any friends at Ten-Tec, Astro, Heath, and Yaesu! We found the TR-7 acceptable, the KWM-380 marvelous, the TS-830 a bargain, and the new singlelever Bencher paddle the answer to our prayers. If any of you are in a position to briefly loan TDXB any of the new rigs, please consider doing so. Thanks!

BANDPASS: Call/Frequency/UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Date

A22GM 14155 08C 25	ISØOMH 14028 03E 19
A4XJO 14189 01C 24	JX5DW 14025 02E 25
A71BJ 21280 15E 20	JY5HY 21315 23C 21
A92F 14176 03C 24	JY3ZH 14221 23E 24
CEØZAD 21345 23W 20	J2ØWCY 14026 22E 19
CN2AQ 14154 05W 21	J73DF 21345 23W 20
CO1BJ 14005 02E 23	KC6IN 14220 12C 25
CT2CR 14189 04W 23	KX60D 14310 06W 19
CT3DJ 14042 23E 19	KX6PO 14208 12C 19
CT3BM 21256 23E 24	KX6QC 14009 09E 22
CT3DJ 21034 22E 26	KX6AJ 14214 06W 23
C21RK 14212 13C 25	KH6LW/
C3ØLAE 14026 23E 24	KH7 21333 01W 21
C53EY 21319 20W 20	KH6LW/
WA3UHK/	KH7 14207 11E 25
DU2 14027 13E 19	AH9AA 14310 05W 25
LA5NM/	KHØAC 14310 06W 19
EA6 21311 22W 20	KHØAC 14187 12C 20
EA8BF 14013 04W 20	KHØAC 14227 14W 25
EA8VI 14006 09E 22	LXØWCY 21027 19E 18
EA8AER 14023 23E 24	OD5ZF 21305 22E 21
EA8BS 14196 03W 24	OD5LF 21363 23E 24
EA9GK 14051 23E 19	OX5RM 14200 05W 12
EA9KQ 14224 05W 23	OX5RM 14204 03W 25
EA9JE 14178 04W 24	PJ8II 14025 21E 24
EL2AD 14155 08C 25	(N8II NOT MGR)
FC8TT 21033 19E 18	PZ1DV 14037 10E 22
TO7GAS 14014 03E 19	PZ1DV 14022 21E 23
(FG7)	PZ1AP 7004 10E 25
FK8EJ 14014 04E 20	PZ9AB 7008 10E 25
FK8CE 14014 07W 20	P29LB 21290 04W 21
FK8ET 14057 13W 24	P29QA 14212 11E 23
FM7WD 14017 02E 23	P29SO 14200 12C 23
F08GM 14039 04C 19	P29JP 14197 12W 24
F08GL 14017 08C 22	K4DY/
FR7BP 14027 12C 19	SV5 21025 19E 19
FR7BP 14026 13W 22	K4DY/
FRØFLO 14193 04W 22	SV5 14028 03W 20
FR7BP 14026 11C 24	K4DY/
FGØDDV/	SV5 14027 00E 22
FS 7006 10E 25	S2BTF 14228 00E 25
GU3AAM 21032 19E 19 HH2VP 7007 10E 22	(list opn)
HLØB 14204 12C 23	S79WHW 21358 18C 26
HV2VO 14248 06W 23	S79WHW 14200 02C 27
H44SH 7084 11C 19	TASBE 14216 00E 25
H445H /084 110 19	TA8MSC 14216 00E 25

TAIUA 21017 21E 28

H44IA 14260 13W 21

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TF3SV 14025 23E 19
 TF5BG 14002 02E 25
 TJ1GH 21041 15E 25
 TL8ER 14019 22C 20
 TL8ER 21014 13E 23
 TR8JLD 14009 00C 16
 T32AB 14163 06W 20
 UF6FCO 21035 14C 25
 UL7MG 21029 15E 25
 VK9NC 14044 05C 19
 VK9NC 14020 06C 22
 VK9ND 14223 12C 23
 VK9ND 14220 11E 25
 VQ9EA 21367 16W 25
 VS5GF 14186 13W 22
 VS5HG 14227 14E 24
 VS6DO 14185 12C 18
 VS6AY 14219 14W 23
 VU2GI 14007 00E 20
 VU2UGI 14157 01E 22
 XT2AW 21026 18E 18
 YB5ASO 14021 10E 23
 YB5ASO 14038 11E 25
 ZB2EO 14037 23E 24
 ZB2EO 21014 21E 26
 ZC4BI 14024 03E 25
 ZD9BZ 21335 18E 24
 ZK1CG 14180 10E 25
 ZP5XDW 14024 03W 19
 Z21AE 21303 17W 23
 Z23JS 14026 12E 24
Z23J0 14027 13W 24
3B8CF 14166 12E 18
3B8DA 14019 11E 22
3B9FK 14207 04E 20
3B9FK 14027 03E 22
3B9FK 14204 04W 24
3B9FK 14016 11E 25
3V8PS 14206 00E 22
TS8WCY 14017 00E 22
   (3V8)
3X4EX 14221 23E 24
4K1GDW 21013 16E 24
  (S. Shetlands)
4K1GDW 21011 14C 25
4S7WP 14040 01E 17
4S7WP 14040 02C 17
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4S7EA 14202 12C 21 4Z4UR 14220 04W 24 5A1BQ 14027 21E 21 ????? 5B4JE 21295 14E 23 5H3DM 21292 18E 24 5N8ACY 21321 23E 22 5V7CP 14026 23E 23 5W1AB 14286 04W 24 5Z4DE 21295 18E 21 5Z4PR 14205 03W 22 5Z4CM 14189 12C 24 6W8JX 21029 21E 26 7Q7LW 14211 03W 23 7X4MB 14014 22E 20 7X2HM 21284 23W 20 7X2CI 14217 02C 22 7X2CQ 14197 03W 23 7X2CI 14216 03W 23 7X2LS 14188 00E 25 8P6AU 7011 11E 25 8Q7AV 14220 11E 18 8R1Y 14025 23E 19 9H1GZ 14015 23E 20 9H4B 14190 02W 21 9H4B 14183 05W 23 9J2BO 21032 19E 19 9M2RD 14205 14W 23 9V1SY 14225 14W 12 9V1VM 14225 13W 22 9V1VM 14175 12C 23 9V1SY 14320 14W 24

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CALENDAR

Bangladesh S2BTF may be gone now; I 197
CHINA How to work it: I 193
Chad DJ5RT/TT rumored on again soon
Tuvalu T2 by GM4JAM soon; I 193
Taiwan BV2B shows some Wednesdays, 14225/1500Z

Malagasy 5R8AL back, scarce; I 196
S.M.O.M. 1AØKM second weekend of July; I 197
Rodriguez 3B9FK staying until December
Gambia C53CC by W4MGN NOW to Jul 9
Cambodia JAs working on it; I 196

Madeira G4JMB/CT3 by VS6CT not heard yet
Corsica FØCH/FC by HB9TL NOW to Jul 26
Georgia USSR using special calls in Jul; I 197
Fr St Martin FGØDDV/FS by NJDXA ends Jul 6; QSL W2QM

St Maarten K2KTT/PJ7 Jul 5-12

St Pierre FPØ for Radiosport Jul 6-12; I 190
Aland Is K8MFO/OHØ Jul 8-10; I 196
Contest IARU Radiosport Jul 9/10
Senegal 6W8JI by W4MGN Jul 9-11
Mali T78DC by D12BW/DL8DC Jul 14-24

Mali TZ8DC by DJ2BW/DL8DC Jul 14-24

 Burundi
 9U5JM by W4MGN Jul 26-Aug 2

 Market Reef
 Jul 22-Aug 1; I 189

 Andorra
 C31YT by G8APZ Jul 16-24

Convention NW DX, Seattle, Jul 29-31; I 197

Contest WAE CW Aug 13/14

Contest All Asia CW Aug 27-28

S Yemen Rumored by J28AZ starts Aug 24; I 197

Contest WAE Phone Sep 10/11 St Paul VE1SPI Sep 23-Oct 3 Malpelo Starts Oct 12; I 197 CONTRIBUTORS

AB4D, WB9NOV, AB8Y, KA1BU,
K4CEF, KM9J, VE7BD, K4JRB, W5XC,
KAØE, K5YY, KØLD, W4BBP, K1BV,
AF9Y, W7HRD, WDXØM, KB8KW, K1CC,
PY3JC, K8UNV, KE9A, KB1BE, K9KM,
WØVIP, KA7AJS, W4VQ, K1SA, G3ZAY,
W9SC, IØMGM, KH6BZF, W3EKN,
KA3R, N4NO, VK9NL, W1BL, K4BAI,
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