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SOMALIA On the 601FG which continues to bring hope to the needy DXer, this one appears to be Giampaolo Forti, I2FGP, from Milano in Italy. All this seems to tie together and I2FGP was due to arrive in Somalia in mid-July for a month or so work on a communications system.

It is possible that he will leave Mogaddiscio for work in some of the southern areas of Somalia. At this point there is no reason to believe that Paul is anything else than the true-blue 60-DX type that all the Deserving enjoy talking with. Do not be surprised should more stations show. A JY-type DXer has been talking of going in a month or so.

SOUTHERN SUDAN The word, and the rumors, is that this one will be accepted for DXCC counters in the very near future. Meanwhile, San Hutson, K5YY, will be leaving right after the middle of the month for the autonomous southern area and should be heard right after the twentieth or so. From STØ San will head for FHØ and C68AF activity. Once he starts, they will come fast.....

QSLs for any of his activities on this one will go to him at Box 5299, Little Rock, Arkansas 72215.

NEW ONE!! Minute 28 of the ARRL Board Meeting says that the UN Headquarters in New York City will be recognized as a separate DXCC Country effective October 1, 1978.

This is exactly what it says....."....effective October 1, 1978. Undoubtedly there will be further clarification on this and especially whether contacts with 4U1UN before October 1st will be accepted. You will hear more....

BOUVET The word continues to come that this one will be heard right around the first of the year. The Norwegians do appear to have a bead on this one.

AGALEGA 3D6BA continues to be heard and should be around for another week. He has a new iddress.....Clairfords Road #1, Araken Lane, Vascoas, Mauritius.

PETER : ISLAND This one is starting to look a bit more real. The intended operator is Willy DeRoos out of Belgium who a year or so back made a single-handed passage of the NorthWest Passage. The only one ever to accomplish this feat.

Last week aboard his vessel he was at the Marquesas Islands in the South Pacific. He was planning a trip to Chile and then a flight to the states and the San Francisco area in September for business and some Tectures.

He plans to single-hand the vessel to Peter 1 Island and to spend close to a year there. The vessel is designed to be lifted by ice pressure and he expects to be frozen in for a long period. He has a KENWOOD 520 rig and a 3-element beam. He hopes to sign 3YØBZ.

He is not a dedicated, 24-hour DXer but he does work the bands. Often he is a communication with VE7ZQ. If he gets to Peter 1 Island, he probably will find that he is the most popular operator there. This might come early next year.

SUNSPOT LOUIE No. 1203 finally turned the western limb a week back, flaring right up to the end. The area had so much potential that they were even keeping an eye on it and charting it even after it had gone around the corner, the last listing showing it at 95°W.

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6 spots

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3 spots

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This one originally showed in early July and will be back with us again before long. It turned the corner at the western limb about July 22nd and should be showing again on the eastern limb in a week or so. Brace yourself!

The good Doctor Waldemeier at the Zurich Observatory looks for improved conditions and his feel for the months ahead has it....August 92, September 97, October 102, November 107. For comparison, the May figure for the monthly mean was 79.6. It might be interesting to note that the smoothed sunspot number based on the twelve month period keeps moving up in the predictions. Those with long memories for the forboding will recall a few years back the dire predictions that we would never again see the Good No. Days of DXing.

Some proved it with their charts. But, as in many other cases, we have to preface most of our solid statements with 'maybe' and things are much better than expected.

At the bottom of Cycle 21 the peak of the current cycle was predicted to be about 78. Then Ohl developed the connection between sunspot numbers and the Kp and Ap indices of geomagnetic activity. This brought a new prediction of a peak of about 150, plus or minus 30. Then the NOAA came up with

a modification using a different paramater called the aa index. Using the aa index the peak was predicted to be up around 192, plus or minus 33. The initial calculation had some incomplete data and a revised figure now has the peak at around 168.

The peak of the present Cycle 21 is looked for as early as late 1979. It does seem so long to come and so quick to go. But all of this may be interesting but always keep in mind that the Palos Verdes Sundancers are beating their bongos back in the barrancas there along the Pacific and if they have done so well with Cycle 21, think of what they might do with Cycle 22 if they can get that big bass bongo tuned.

Back on the shores of the Atlantic NAXX carefully tends the sursburn and forgets the tomato patch back on the south bank of the Potomac. And Ted, stirs himself by the sea to peer down the next couple of weeks of Cycle 21 and he says it will be

August 1st	Below Normal	August	7th	Above Normal
2nd	High/Low Normal			Above, dropping to
3rd	High Normal			Low Normal
4th	High Normal		9th	Low/Below Normal
5th	High Normal	*	Oth	Disturbed
6th	High/Above Normal	1	11th	High Normal

There it all is. Just get out your net on those good days and scoop up the DX. On real good days the Russian Woodpecker will demonstrate how a real strong signal sounds.

Down in the land back from the Pacific, K6EC is not wearing out his bongo but rather is listening to the word from WWV and waiting for the TI to get on a list to work some of the Elusive Sixes. And Ev says that the word out of WWV was:

		Solar Flux	Ap Index		Solar Flux	Ap Index
Jul		156	7	Jul 21	136	5
	18	152	11	22	123	10
	19	144	16	23	120	10
	20	11/1	6			• •

You may get a storm period from the first of August....but watch for the return of Area 1203 which should be back the first part of next week.

DXAC REPORT TO THE ARRL BOARD As an advisory committee, the DXAC submitted a report on its activities to the recent ARRL Board meeting. As nothing replaces the reading of the full text in giving DXers information, the whole thing is run without any cuts or changes.

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The July 1978 Semiannual Activities Report of the DX Advisory Committee

Gentlemen:

I wish to begin my report with a well earned tribute to my predecessor, Louis Muhleisen, K51M, Chairman, DX Advisory Committee, 1976 and 1977. Inder Louie's guidance, the Committee moved through several controversial and difficult areas, and resolved long term problems, such as the rule 9 matter.

The success of the Committee today is due in no small part to Louie's patience, time, and personal expense. Thank you, Louie - all DXers owe you a debt of gratitude for a job well done.

In the first half of 1978, a number of items have either been voted on or and under consideration by the Committee.

- 1. Should a country be temporarily deleted for Honor Roll purposes if there has been no amateur activity in the last ten or fifteen years?
 This motion failed to carry.
- 2. Shall EA9-Spanish Sahara, be deleted from the current country list?

 The Spanish Sahara was de-colonized by Spain and subsequently divided by treaty between Morocco and Mauritania. The motion carried and was accepted by the Communications Manager. Notice of deletion appears in July QST.
- 3. Should any country on the DXCC list which bans amateur radio by not issuing amateur licenses to its citizens or by not allowing amateur operations by its citizens be removed from the country list for Honor Roll purposes until such time as the restrictions are lifted.

This motion failed to carry.

4. Does the Aosta Valley region of Italy meet Country criteria by reason of "..a distinctive separate administration?"

This area was proposed for country status on the basis of regional autonomy. However, the motion failed to carry.

5. Should the United Nations Headquarters in New York City count as a separate country?

The root of this proposal was whether the UN Headquarters carries sovereignity beyond that of the normal embassy. Since it was demonstrated that in fact it does, the Committee voted favorably and the recommendation has been forwarded to the Communications Manager.

- 6. On the basis of later data supplied, should the Pribiloff Islands count as a separate country on the basis of a "..distinctive separate administration?"

 The motion failed to carry.
- 7. Should Bophuthatswana count as a separate country on the basis of "..a separate administration?"

Bophuthatswana is one of the tribal reserves within South Africa. The Committee voted favorably and the recommendation has been forwarded to the Communications Manager. However, it is anticipated that no action will be taken pending further developments.

BOARD MEETING MINUTE No. 56 ther chapter in the on-going opera "Can The Deserving DXers and the ARRL Find Happiness Together?" was written at the July Board meeting. Note the following:

56) On motion of Mr Zak, seconded by Mr. Eaton, after discussion unanimously VOTED that the Board express its continuing concern over harmful operating tactics and procedures and improper language being heard with disturbing frequency on amateur backs, particularly during rare DXpeditions, and directs the General Manager to undertake suitable educational programs through channels available to the League so that the international image of amateur radio is not tarmished and so our stature at international radio conferences will be enhanced.

By inference, who are the culprits?

We had heard some months bank that one top elected official in the ARRL was upset over the activity during the Clipperton DXpedition, upset even to the extent of wanting to cancel all credit for the operation.

We have also heard that the evidence presented to the board was reports that League representatives when traveling are being forced to listen to tapes of uproars on the bands and the question esked: "Is this what you are promoting?".

It might be noted that generally the U.S. amateur receives favorable mention by many DX operators. Under the available conditions, the U.S. amateur usually is not unruly or fails to follow instructions. It should also be noted that the DXer or any W/K amateur should be to held accountable for the intrusion of deliberate interference, unidentified wulgarities and the argumentative QRMer who seeks out not only the DX action but is also heard on other bands including the two meter repeaters.

What has the ARRL in mind? Better ask your Director. He voted for the resolution and undoubtedly is well acquainted with the subject.

But let us get back to Clipperton which apparently triggered the resolution. There was one country that it is reported that the operators sought to avoid because of their unruliness. In the book printed in France recounting the DXpedition, the following should be of interest. These are quotes from the book.

Jacky Billaud F6BBJ: "....our expedition was European and so we wished to make as many contacts as possible rather than make the easier contacts with North America.... We were lucky indeed.... But here again indiscipline with European stations was a nuisance and our frequency was overloaded with words that should never be heard on amateur wave bands....."

Oliver Cado, F6ARC "Although the traffic with America on this band was without incident the same cannot be said for Europe. There was too much impatience and lack of discipline.

F6ARC was talking about eighty meters.

Frankly, we do not know all of the details, only what has surfaced. It might be best to write your Director, asking for facts. There is a possibility that verbal reports naming neither names, places or incidents may be offered. These are hardly acceptable in the face of such charges. The ARRL undoubtedly will be happy to furnish explicit details.

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DXAC REPORT (cont'd)

8. If Bophuthatswana is to count as a separate country, shall the southernmost region count separately by reason of Country Criteris #3?

One enclave of Bophuthatswana is removed from the rest of the country by more than the seventy-five miles required for separate status under criteris #3.

The motion carried. However, until the primary area of Bophuthatswana shall attain country status, no action is indicated.

Other matters before the Committee which shall be voted on include:

 A new vote on the country status of Water Island and of Desecheo Island. In 1977 Desecheo Island received a favorable vote from the committee but Water Island failed to carry.

It was pointed out by then Chairman K5LM that both islands appeared to have identical credentials and hence the DXAC vote was inconsistent. Therefore, any recommendation was withheld. The matter is being restudied and a new vote on both Water Island and Desecheo Island will be taken shortly.

A new criteria is proposed for the country criteria. The proposed criteria would read:

Any area which is classified as a Demilitarized Zone, Neutral Zone or Buffer Zone, will not be eligible as a separate entity. Further, no embassy, consulate or extraterritorial monument shall be considered.

Also, the question is raised as to whether or not such a criteria should be applied retroactively, and this question will be voted on separately. This item will appear in August QST with a call for comments from the membership and will be voted on in October.

3. There is a proposal before the Committee to delete the "..Distinctive separate Administration" clause of Criteria #1 of the DXCC country criteria. This clause has been the basis for country status for a number of controversial, additions to the DXCC country list. The proposal is under study.

It is my plan, as chairman, to call for Committee studies of two other areas in the balance of the year. One is a study of DXing outside the competitive arena, seeking ways to encourage the natural fraternal spirit of DX and DXers. A sub-committee is being formed to study the matter and make recommendations. Bob Wood, WØUD, has agreed to serve as chairman of the sub-committee. Dr Wood will be well remembered for his exemplary work on the DXAC survey published last year.

Also, a subcommittee will be soon formed to study phone DXing, with particular emphasis on list operations. There is widespread feeling that list operations are generally contrary to the spirit of DXCC, without adequate justification, though it is recognized that in a few instances lists are justified. Hence, a sub-committee will be formed to study the abuses and to seek to make recommendations on ways to improve the situation.

In minute #23 of the July 1977 Board meeting, the Board instructed the DXAC to consider the following:

Should QSL's for contacts made on or after January 1, 1978 for single mode DXCCs show two-way contacts with each party using the same mode?

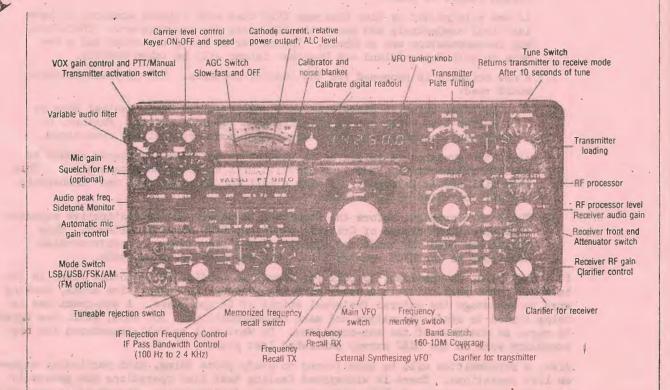
The DXAC recommendation to the Board in response was moved but tabled at the January 1978 meeting, as recorded in minute #33 of the meeting. We now ask for renewed consideration of the DXAC recommendation:

- A) Valid contacts for all single mode DXCC awards shall require that the applicant both transmit and receive in that mode with the confirming station.
- B) As long as the QSL does not indicate that a cross-mode contact took place, it is acceptable for single mode DXCCs.
- C) This rule should not be applied retroactively, and should be implemented after due notice is published.

To conclude this report, I wish to thank the members of the DX Advisory Committee for the rolunteer help that makes the Committee a success. I would like to thank the headquarters staff for their cooperation and able assistance, the Board Liaison, Mr Gay Milius, for his representation and also his invaluable counsel and advise, and of course, the Board itself, for allowing the CX fraternity an opportunity to communicate its views to the Board.

Respectfully submitted, /s/ Bob Locher, W9KNI Chairman, DX Advisory Committee

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NORTHWEST DX MEETING

On right now. Tune for OJØMA K5YY ready to go. Mid-August San heads for 1st stop-STØ September 29th for a week or so..... Alex signing 3D6BA for another week..... ID90N from Thursday, August 3rd, for a couple weeks VP2EEK from September 1st ZL2BJU/K on right now Lots of activity now, more coming. DA1GR/GF from Aug 10th CEXXX during CQs October DXfest....from October 25th ZLs going for the CQ October DXfest..... VP2LBH for the CQ October DXFest November! Across the CQ November Test GMs due to be there to this weekend August 5th 601FG being heard....may have gone down country if you don't hear... Still being heard....still needed. Several European groups planning August activity DKs supposed to be there to mid-August VS6HK from September 10th for two weeks. Reports persist that the turn into 1979 will bring action KA1NC being heard

SV1JG in the Grecian island group....there for about a month This weekend downtown Portland at the Sheration ... TEXAS DX/CONTEST MEET This weekend.....downtown Houston. Galleria Plaza Hotel W9DXCC/NIDXA MEETENG Middle states DXers meeting for 26th time....Sept 9th...Arlington Hts.

> K9KM will supply information Getting close. Downtown Tysons Corners..nr Washington Sept 16/17th This weekend.....August 5/6th
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> Phone August 19th.....CW August 20th. Second outing for this one. CW August 12/13th Phone September 9/10th CW.... Aug 26/27th October 28/29th



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ARRL Board of Directors held its summer meeting a week or so back, and though the minutes get more difficult by the year to understand, a persistent one will find out some of the things that go on.

Among some of the actions or matters discussed included an acknowledgement of a potential threat to the 220mHz amateur bands as indicated by a recent FCC study report, the abuses reported in the reciprocal licensing program, a move to restudy the multiple-year membership rates, a raising of the charge for life memberships to a multiple of twenty-five times the annual rate....from November 1st such life memberships will cost you \$300, a plaque will be awarded to the first ten amateurs working WAS on 220mHz or above, the General Manager was charged to continue to employ such resources as necessary to ensure that outgoing QSLs are dispatched in an accurate and timely manner. The Board also voted that an ARRL flag be established, after July 1, 1980 single-mode DXCC shall require that the applicant both transmit and receive in that mode with the confirming station and the QSLs must specifically indicate that both sides used the same mode.

A motion to grant life membership to those over 65 years of age with 20 years annual membership on payment of 12.5 times the annual rate was voted down....Holladay, Price, Stevens and Thurston were in favor. The FCC will be petitioned to grant Novices all mode privileges on 220mHz. An attempt to change the Directors term of office to four years was referred to a committee for study.

There were a number of other matters touched, discussed, adopted or rejected by the Board. Check the September QST for the full minutes. Do not be surprised if you have trouble following the tortured and tangled path of board procedure.

TNX to W1AB, W1DA, K1DC, W1MV, K2BT, W2FP, W2HAZ, W2NC, WA2SON, W3CDL, W4BAA, AELX, K4FJ, WB4FOT, WALGKR, W4HU, W4KA, W4ICL, W4OEL, N4OL, W44QUF, W4OUN, WB4HIS, WB4TPU, W4WJ, W4UF, N4XX, W5CPI, W5ALA, K5AQ, K5DB, K5DUT, K5IH, K5GZ, W5IMJ, W5JW, K5RC, W5OSJ, K5OVC, K5VNJ/2, K6ARE, W6CAE, K6DT, WA6CPP, WA6FIT, WA6DNM, K6EC, W6JD, N6JM, K6JG, K6LAE, W6MI, K6OP, W6PYV, WA6PJR, W6PN, W6TSQ, K6XP, K6UFT, WB6UJO, WB6VTE, W6VD, WB6WHM, K6WR, K6XT, W7IL, K6YK, WB6ZUK, K7ABV, WA7OBH, K8CFU, W7OK, W3JXM, K8MN, W8PBO, WA8RCN, K9XJ, K8RD, W9DH, K9MM, W9DRL, W9QWM, W9SS, KØBJ, NØRR, KØKES, WAØKDI, WBØMSZ, KH6GI, WØPT, KH6BZF.

WEST COAST DX BULLETIN Published every week by the Marin County DX Group. One of the local QRPers was up the hill last week, this one deep in his own troubles. "It is my DXCC total," the QRPer explained, "I have hardly moved for months." We were properly sympathetic for well we knew the chasm that awaits for the unwary DXer at the 300 country mark. "Oh! No," the QRPer interrupted, I have a long way to go to get to the 300 mark. I am stuck at one twenty-seven." Son of a Gun! We had to hear more on this one. How could a true-blue DXer get stuck at such a low total. "Well," the QRPer said, "you know how it goes. I listen for all the lists and am always right in there to work the DX. I also check with all the daily DX Nets and the other gathering spots and I fear I have cleaned out all the DX there. Then I have looked around for other chances and picked up what I could. But after cleaning out all the nets and working all the lists, all I do now is listen. Maybe I've worked everything available." Something was not adding and we had to ask more questions. "What about the DX that Red Eyed Louie is reporting," we asked. "You haven't worked all of that, have you?" The QRPer was silent for a bit. Finally he spoke. "Look," he said, "I do real good on the lists and the nets. But how do you work a DX Station that is just out there in the open and not on a list. I have never worked one of those." This was hard to believe but these are unusual times. We thought for awhile and finally we figured we had an answer. "Just pretend you are calling someone taking a list," we advised and it was a real joy to see the QRPers face. "I will, I will," he cried and raced off down the hill. And we had to think of the day that is coming when someone will make the Honor Roll without ever going outside a list. We have even heard that there is a move afoot, and the ARRL may surprise us with it, to have a "LIST DXCC AWARD". Think of the excitement that will bring when the word gets around on Straight Key Night! Meanwhile, a full year of the DX wave of the future will come your way each week by second-class mail for \$15.00. First class mail, to VE/XE and the far APOs, goes to \$19.00 a year. \$20.00 sends it down the moonpath to all the DX lands where just about every DX is training for the day when someone makes a list for

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