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DX ITALIA

DX NEWS

by **I2MQP**

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RED = Important operation **GREEN** = Details not yet fixed

ON NOW OR WITHIN NEXT WEEK -- IN ARIA ORA O ENTRO UNA SETTIMANA

PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL
3B8	Mauritius	Now - Dec 11	SM6GOR is on as 3B8HB SM6JBC is on as 3B8JB	H.C. dir & bur
3D2/ R	Rotuma	Dec 20 - Jan 20	3D2AG has confirmed his expedition but start date could be later	H.C. dir
5R	Madagascar	Nov 1 - Dec 12	F6ICX will be again on frequency as 5R8IC	H.C. LoTW
7P	Leshoto	December	MW6GOZ will be on as 7P8GOZ sometime in December	H.C.: \$ LoTW
8P	Barbados	Dec 5 - Dec 12	W8AKS will sign 8P9EZ	H.C dir & bur
8P	Barbados	Dec 15 - Jan 5	J69AZ will sign 8P9JB	H.C. dir
8T	Antartica	Now - Dec 2016	VU3BPZ is active as BT2BH	I1HYQ

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A4	Oman	Dec 10 - Dec 11	A43SI group will be on from AS-112	A47RS
B	China	Dec 2016	B90IARU group will activate the call during the month of December	BA4EG
C6	Bahamas	Nov 15- Mar 16	9H5G will operate as C6ATS and will try to activate NA-048-054-113-80-001	M00XO
CY0	Sable	Nov 28 - Jan 31	VA1AXC will be /CY0 after his work duties	JE1LET dir
DP	Antartica	Nov - Feb	DP1POL base will be active thanks to DL5XL	DL1ZBO and LoTW
E5	S. Cook	Dec 5 - Dec 11	JA1XGI will sign E51XGI	H.C. OQRS LoTW
E5	S. Cook	Dec 14 - Jan 8	SM6WET will be on as E51WET	H.C. dir
EL	Liberia	Nov 8 - Dec 17	KD4UDU will be on as EL2DW	H.C.
FJ	S.Barthelemy	Dec 19 - Dec 19	K2HVN will be /FJ all bands CW & SSB signing TO2EE	H.C dir & bur
FR	Reunion	Dec 16 - Jan 8	F5UOW will be /FR during spare time	LoTW
H44	Solomon	Dec 2 - Dec 31	WL7HP is signing H44MK and will try to activate some islands	H.C.
HH	Haiti	Dec 2 - Dec 14	N5JR is ON /HH2	H.C. LoTW Clublog
J6	St.Lucia	Dec 6 - Dec 13	W7DGP & N8WD will be /J6	H.C. Dir & LoTW
J6	St.Lucia	Dec 7 - Dec 13	W2LNX will be /J6	KC3EYZ
KH2	Guam	Dec 10 - Dec 13	F4HEC will be /KH2	H.C. LoTW
OA	Peru	Now - Dec 31	OA4CD will be on as OA850	OA40 & LoTW
PJ2	Curacao	Dec 14 - Jan 14	SM4KYN will be /PJ2	H.C. dir & bur
PJ6	Saba	Dec 9 - Dec 13	G3TXF will be on /PJ6	G3TXF & OQRS
PY	Brazil	Dec 10 - Dec 11	ZY2QG group will be active from SA-071	PY2DS die & bur
SV/A	M. Athos	NOW	SV2ASP/A is on when free from his duty	H.C. dir
T8	Palau	Dec 9 - Dec 15	JR1UBR signs T88AB	H.C.
TG	Guatemala	Dec 3 - Dec 15	W8ERI will work in Guatemala and, when free, will operate /TG5	H.C.
TZ	Mali	Dec 7 - Dec 19	F4WBN & F5DUX are active as TZ9A	F4WBN dir

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V5	Namibia	Dec 10 - Jan 10	DD0VR will be /V5	H.C. dir & bur
VE	Canada	Dec 13 - Dec 20	VE2JCW will sign VY0JCW from NA-047	H.C.
VK9L	Lord Howe	Dec 16 - Dec 23	G0UIH will sign VK2IAY/9	H.C. dir & bur
VU	India	Now - Dec 31	AU90IARU will be on	VU2CDP OQRS
ZF	Cayman	Dec 6 - Dec 19	N2GG will sign ZF2EA	H,C,

TOP 10 DX NEXT DAYS

PFX	11/12	12/12	13/12	14/12	15/12	16/12	17/12	18/12	19/12	20/12
CY0	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
E5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
EL	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
H44	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
J6	X	X	X							
PJ2				X	X	X	X	X	X	X
PJ6	X	X	X							
TZ	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
V5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
VK9L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
ZF	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

FUTURE OPERATIONS --- OPERAZIONI FUTURE

PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL Info
3B8	Mauritius	Apr 15 - Apr 18	M0RCX will be on /3B8	ED7BX
3X	Guinea	Feb 18 - Mar 4	3XY1T expedition will take place from AF-051	I2YSB dir only

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3Y	Bouvet	2016 - 2017	3Y0F will be the call of the expedition managed by UN7PCZ	
4S	Sri Lanka	Jan 3 - Jan 8	EA3BT & EA3WL will be on as 4S7HTO & 4S7NTS including AS-171	EA3BT dir bur & OQRS
5W	Samoa	Jan 1 - Jan 7	G4BUO will be on signing 5W0UO	H.C.
5Z	Kenya	Mar 26 - Mar 28	TA1HZ will be /5Z	LZ3HI dir LoTW
6W	Senegal	Dec 26 - Jan 12	VA3DX will be active /6W1, /6W6 & 6W7	H.C.
6W	Senegal	Jan 3 - Jan 31	F6BLP will be active signing 6W7SK holiday style 160 to 6 meters	H.C dir & bur LoTW
7P	Lesotho	Jan 4 - Jan 7	DD0VR will be on holiday style as 7P8VR	H.C dir & bur
A2	Botswana	Dec 22 - Dec 30	M0XUU will sign A25GR	H.C.
A3	Tonga	Jan 15 - Feb 15	KC0W will be on low bands for Europe	H.C. dir
A3	Tonga	Feb 18 - Feb 24	W5MJ K5NA K5DU ZS6RJ VA7DX VE7KW W5PF with callsign to be fixed	MoURX
C5	Gambia	Dec 24 - Jan 9	ON7WP will operate as C5WP.	
CE0Y	Easter Isl.	Feb 10 - Feb 14	W7YAQ will be /CE0Y	LoTW
CT9	Madeira	Mar 11 - Apr 7	DL3KWR will sign /CT9	H.C. dir & bur
CY	St. Paul	Aug 19 - Aug 29	CY9C will be on by a 9 operators group	WA4DAN OQRS
E4	Palestine	CANCELLED	S500 S59M HB9OCR MM0NDX EA4AK EA7JX group will be on signing E44Y	EB7DX dir OQRS
E5	N Cook	Jan 12 - Jan 21	JA3ARJ, JA3AVO, JA3IVU, JA3UJR, JF3HPN, JH3LSS and JH3PBL will operate. Call will be E51J	
EA8	Canary Islands	Mar 5 - Mar 6	S59M will be in the contest as ED8W	W3HNC
FH	Mayotte	Mar 18 - Mar 24	F2DX will be /FH	OQRS
FO	F. Polynesia	Feb 6 - Feb 7	W7YAQ will be /FO	LoTW
FP	St. Pierre	Mar 17 - Mar 29	KV1J will be /FP	H.C dir bur LoTW
FR/J	Juan de Nova	March 2016	F Operation will take place	

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FS	St. Martin	Feb 2 - Feb 10	WZ1P, W3FF, KC4VG, W6HFP, W7ZT, K8EAB, KB9AVO and WG0AT will be in FS 40-10 meters all modes.	
FT4X	Kerguelen	Nov / Dec	An expedition is planned for the last part of the year	
HB0	Liechtenstein	Apr 15 - Apr 18	EA5IDQ will be /HB0 SSB & RTTY	H.C dir & bur OQRS
HK0	S.Andres	March	A SP team will be on	
HK0	S.Andres	March/April	N4THW is planning an expedition to NA-133	
HR	Honduras	Feb 15 - Feb 25	AA4W will sign /HR8	H.C.
J7	Dominica	Feb 17 - Feb 23	WJ20 will be on /J7 before his trip to Heard	N2ZN
JA	Japan	Dec 25 - Jan 4	JS6RRR will be on from AS-079. Will also use 8N3KCJ/6	J13DST bur
KH5	Palmyra	Jan 11 - Jan 26	Big team will operate several stations signing probably KH5/p	OQRS LoTW
P4	Aruba	Mar 2016	PA7DA will be on HF /P4	H.C.
P5	N.Korea	Jan - Feb 2016	3Z9DX is planning and expedition , see below some details	
PJ4	Bonaire	Jan 7 - Jan 22	PA8A will sign PJ4B	H.C. dir
PJ7	S.Naarten	Feb 16 - Mar 12	AA9A as PJ7AA	H.C.
PY0F	F. de Noronha	Jan 19 - Jan 26	PP1CZ will be /PY0F	H.C.
S9	Sao Tome	Feb 25 - Mar 25	S9BK will be used by HB9BEL	H.C.
T32	E. Kiribati	Mar 1 - Mar 16	K8AQM as T32TR, KG8CO as T32CO, K8QKY as T32SB, K8MU as T32MU, AC8W as T32WW, N8LJ as T32LJ, N6FS as T32FS	LoTW
T8	Palau	Dec 22 - Dec 29	I2DMI will be on as T88RY RTTY. Updated info will be on QRZ.com	H.C.
T8	Palau	Jan 7 - Jan 14	JA6EGL as T88SM, JA6KYU as T88HS, JA6UBY as T88RR	H.C.
T8	Palau	Jan 7 - Jan 14	JH7IPR will sign T88UW	H.C. dir bur & LoTW
UA0	A.Russia	Jan	Russian team will be on from AS-203	
V2	Antigua	Jan 6 - Jan 14	GW4DVB will sign V25GB	H.C. dir & bur
V2	Antigua	Feb 21 - Mar 4	OH2IS will be on as V26IS	H.C. dir bur LoTW

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V3	Belize	Jan 3 - Jan 12	K7YB will be on as V31YB	H.C.
V4	St.Kitts	Feb 5 - Feb 25	K1KA will sign V47KA	H.C.
V4	St.Kitts	Feb 13 - Feb 21	K8AQM will be on as V47TR	H.C.
VK	Australia	Dec 29 - Jan 1	VK2IAY will sign /3 from OC-136	G0UIH dir & bur
VK	Australia	Jan 10 - Jan 17	G0UIH will be /6 from OC206	G0UIH dir & bur
VK0	Heard	Mar 6 - Apr 20	VK0EK will be the call of the expedition by a large group (HB9BXE K2ARB K3EL KM4MXD N6TQ NG2H NP4IW UT6UD VK2BAX VK6CQ WJ2O KK6EK W7XU)	KY6R
VK9C	Cocos Keeling	Mar 14 - Mar 26	VK9CK will be the call of a LA group	LA6OP dir & bur
VP2M	Montserrat	Feb 20 - Feb 25	NE9U, KK9K and Jim will be in the contest	
VP6	Pitcairn	Sep 3 - Nov 25	DL2AH as VP6AH	DL2AH
VP8	South Georgia	Jan 17 - Feb 27	Large tam will be on as VP8SGI	Club Log
VP8	South Sandwich	Feb 1 - Feb 11	Large team will be on VP8STI	Club Log
XW	Laos	JANUARY	XW4ZW by K4ZW December operation has been cancelled but January one is still on	
XZ	Myanmar	Feb 14 - Mar 15	Expedition planned from AS-182, AS-183 and AS-184. Period could shift to April 15 - May 15	
YJ	Vanatu	Dec 27 - Jan 13	DL7VOA will sign YJ4AO	H.C.
YJ	Vanatu	Jan 2 - Jan 10	VK4AFU will sign YJ0AFU	LoTW & NA5U
ZF	Cayman	Dec 31 - Jan 5	WW4LL will sign ZF2LL	LoTW
ZF	Cayman	Jan 9 - Jan 17	K9PGJ as ZF2PG	H.C. & LoTW
ZL9	Sub Artic Islands	Jan 7 - Jan 11	VE3LYC VK5CE SQ8X KD1CT will be on from the new one OC-286	OQRS

SPECIAL CALLS AND PREFIXES

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PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
9J	Zambis	Sep - Dec 2014	9J2JOCV	JE1EMO
9V	Singapore	All 2015	All 9V stations can use the S61 prefix	
A9	Bahrain	Now Dec 18	A93AR/45 A92AA/45	A92AA A92AA
BV	Taiwan	Sep 1 - Dec 31 Nov 1 - Dec 31	BV60CRA BV90IARU	QRZ BV2FP
DL	Germany	All 2015 All 2015 All 2015 All 2015	DJ90IARU DA300KA DL50MER DL1965WH	DH2ES Bureau DL1WH
DL	Germany	All 2015 All 2015 All 2015 All 2015	DG150ZRS, DK65DARC DJ90IARU, DL65DARC SQ1200HI DK60ZAB	Bureau Bureau Bureau Bureau
DL	Germany	All 2015 All 2015 All 2015 All 2015	DQ70ELBE DM700LSW DF50USLAR DQ40AIX	DJ9ZZZ Bureau Bureau Bureau
DL	Germany	All 2015 All 2015 May 1 - Apr 2016	DA300CFG DL60BUND DM700BURG	Bureau Bureau DF1XC
DL	Germany	Jun - Mar 31 Oct 1 - Dec 31 Oct 1 - DEC 31	DR100MF DG150ZRS DF60VGZ	DJ6ZJ Bureau Bur OQRS
E5	N.Cook & S.Cook	All 2015	Stations in the two countries can use the E50 prefix	
EI	Ireland	All 2015 All 2016	EI150ITU EI90IARU EI1916E	EI6AL EI6AL EI3GC
EU	Belarus	Now - Dec 31	EV90IARU	EW1I
F	France	All 2015 Nov 29 - Dec 13	TM320NE TM21COP	F1EOY F8DVD
FR	Reunion	Jun 27 - Dec 26	TO90R	FR4QT
G	England	Dec 10 - Dec 13	GB200ADA	
HA	Hungary	All 2015 All 2015	HG90IARU HA45KHW	HA5MA Bur OQRS

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		Oct 2015	HA0...4ITU, HA5BPITU, HA6...9ITU, HG0...9ITU, HA150ITU, and HG150ITU	
HB	Switzerland	2015	HB970IARY	HB9JOE
HB0	Liechtenstein	Dec 2015	HB0IARU	
HS	Thailand	Dec 2015	HS0IARU	E21EIC
I	Italy	Dec 8 - Nov 20 II0IEM Dec 2015	II0IEM IR2CSN	IQ0RM Bureau
JA	Japan	All 2015 Now - Nov 30 Now - Dec 2015	8J1FUYO 8N2IKUJU 8J7XMAS	Bureau Bureau JH7YES
JA	Japan	Now- Sep 19 2016	8N1KCJ, 8N2KCJ, 8N3KCJ, 8N5KCJ, and 8N8KCJ	JO3OMA
JA	Japan	2015 - 2016	90 YEARS OF JARL Jun 12 2015 - Dec 07 2015 8J190Y Nov 09 2015 - Mar 31 2016 8J290Y Jun 12 2015 - Mar 30 2016 8J490Y Sep 01 2015 - May 31 2016 8J590Y Jun 12 2015 - Jun 30 2016 8J690Y Jun 12 2015 - Jun 30 2016 8J790Y Oct 10 2015 - Jun 30 2016 8J890Y Jun 12 2015 - Jun 30 2016 8J090Y	
JT	Mongolia	May 1 - Dec 31	JV150ITU	JT1CD dir
LX	Luxembourg	2015	LX60H	Bur
LZ	Bulgaria	2015	LZ362MT (December	Bureau
OE	Austria	Oct 1 - Dec 31	4U79VIC	4U1VIC
OM	Slovak Rep	2015	OM200TC	
ON	Belgium	Jun 1 - Dec 31	OR90VL	ON5VL
P4	Aruba	Now - Dec 22	P490IARU	P43E
PA	Netherlands	All 2015 All 2015 Dec 2015	PA90IARU PI25COM PD15XMAS	Bureau PA3CAL PD7DX
PY	Brazil	Now - Jan 12	ZW400BEL	QRZ
S5	Slovenia	Dec 4 - Jan 4	S508PMC	S50X

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SP	Poland	Now - Dec 31 Dec 5 - Dec 27	SP500YFF 3Z15XMS	SP9WAN SP6IEQ
UA	Russia	Now - Dec end	RL170GS	RL5G
UN	Kazak	Nov 5 - Dec 31	UP90IARU	RW6HS
VE	Canada	Dec 13 _Jan 11	XM7100AS	VA7DP
VP9	Bermuda	Dec 2015	VP90IARU	Bur
VU	India	Apr - Dec 2015 Nov 27 - Dec 13 Dec 18 - Dec 21	AT150ITU AU2JCB 8T5APS	OQRS LoTW VU2DSI VU2NRO
YO	Romania	All 2015	YO90IARU, YP90IARU, YQ90IARU, and YR90IARU	
YU	Serbia	All 2015 Mar 1 - Dec 31 Now - Dec 31	YT90NS All Serbian CW Club can sign YT45 & YU45 YU270AJM	YU7BPQ Bureau
Z3	Macedonia	Now - Dec 31	Z390IARU	Z37RSM

Contest, mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM

AWA Bruce Kelley 1929 QSO Party: 2300Z, Dec 5 to 2300Z, Dec 6 and 2300Z, Dec 12 to 2300Z, Dec 13

NCCC RTTY Sprint: 0145Z-0215Z, Dec 11

QRP Fox Hunt: 0200Z-0330Z, Dec 11

NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 11

ARRL 10-Meter Contest: 0000Z, Dec 12 to 2400Z, Dec 13

SKCC Weekend Sprintathon: 1200Z, Dec 12 to 2400Z, Dec 13

International Naval Contest: 1600Z, Dec 12 to 1559Z, Dec 13

QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint: 2000Z-2359Z, Dec 13

QRP Fox Hunt: 0200Z-0330Z, Dec 16

Phone Fray: 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 16

CWops Mini-CWT Test: 1300Z-1400Z, Dec 16 and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 16 and 0300Z-0400Z, Dec 17

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YOTA

A number of special event stations aiming to attract youngsters to our hobby.

Among the calls to be active are: 3V8YOTA, 9A0YOTA,

9A15YOTA, A2YOTA, A43YOTA, DQ0YOTA, EA1RCG/YOA, EG9YOTA, EI0YOTA, ES9YOTA, G15YOTA, GI15YOTA, GM15YOTA, GW15YOTA, HA8YOTA, HB9YOTA, HG0YOTA, II2YOTA, II5YOTA, J62YOTA, LX4YOTA, LY5YOTA, LZ2015YOTA, OD5RI/YOTA, OE0YOTA, OE15YOTA, OH2YOTA, OL15YOTA, OM15YOTA, OM9YOTA, ON4YOTA, PA6YOTA, PD6YOTA, SH9YOTA, SP3YOTA, YT15YOTA, ZS9YOTA. QSL via OM2FY, ClubLog OQRS. <http://www.ham-yota.com>

Heard Island Expedition Newsletter (Vol. 1, No. 7)

You are receiving this because you subscribed to it, or you made a donation to the expedition, or you are a team member or a corporate sponsor, or I just happen to know you and think you would like to have it. This issue goes to 1369 different people. In addition, Bernie W3UR, will distribute it with his Daily DX newsletter. There is no charge or obligation for this—we just want to help you make a QSO with VKØEK, or to collaborate in the scientific work, or to just enjoy the evolution of the project..

Future Newsletters will be issued now and then, when we have something to say, probably every few weeks. If you missed a previous Newsletter and would like to have a copy, you can click on the cover image above.

The expedition is scheduled to begin in early March, 2016, and end in late April. You can see the current status of the project on the main website www.heardisland.org, and on the blogsite www.vk0ek.org.

I hope you like this Newsletter and find it useful. If you have suggestions, comments, subjects you would like to see addressed, etc., or wish to be removed from the distribution list, please write to me.

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ZL9A OC-286 EXPEDITION

Since our project was approved by the Department of Conservation of NZ as a partnership, we have been working very hard to prepare all the logistics and build in the necessary contingencies for the very difficult tasks ahead. In the following I would like to share with you briefly some of the aspects involved:

- The team will meet in Invercargill on Jan 2 and spend the evening/night treating all their clothing, boots, sleeping bags, backpacks, etc. with an antibacterial and disinfectant approved by DoC for quarantine.
- A comprehensive quarantine is scheduled on Jan 3, which will additionally include a careful spraying and treatment of all equipment (which we must bring and carry in waterproof pelican cases).
- All food provisions must be purchased from a specially approved DoC quarantine depot to comply with their regulations.
- Following the quarantine, we will rent a van and drive to Dunedin on Jan 4, where we will board the boat.
- It will take 3 days to sail to the Antipodes. Landing is only possible in cold, southerly winds. There are only two landing spots, both of them involving wet landing, one more dangerous than the other.
- Unless the sea conditions are perfect, landing can only be done away from the vertical cliffs on top of which the research hut is located, and will involve more than a couple of miles of steep hiking through boulders and slippery terrain.
- All equipment, personal effects and provisions will have to be carried out by our backs. It will take several trips back and forth to finish this work.
- We expect rainy, misty and foggy weather, with temperatures of 13-14C, hopefully with some sunny breaks. Same time last year, the DoC team was hit after landing by a strong hailstorm while the temperature plummeted to 3C.
- Please keep in mind that delays can occur at any step of this project!

We regret to inform that we have already incurred additional expenses as a result of higher cost of plane tickets over the holidays, baggage surcharges, and quarantine requirements. Any delays will obviously lead to yet additional costs.

Over the last few days we received several messages in which IOTA chasers expressed doubts that they will be able to make it through, either because of the propagation path

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(western EU), the anticipated pile-ups (ZL9 being a relatively rare DXCC), etc. While we cannot possibly guarantee that we will be able to log every single station which will be calling us, we wish to assure the IOTA chasers that our operators are familiar with the IOTA community, and that we will do every possible effort to provide it with a satisfactory service world-wide.

Meanwhile, as we continue to look for financial support from the amateur radio community, we will have to divide our attention to satisfy the needs and expectations of all groups and individuals who will step in and support this project. We would like to use this opportunity to ask once again the IOTA chasers who haven't yet committed to this project to come on board!

We do need your help now, so please, please support our team at <http://iotahunter.org/>

Thank you and best regards,

Cezar, VE3LYC

PALMAYRA K5P

In about a month, the Palmyra Team will be assembling in Hawaii on the first leg of their journey to Palmyra and our excitement is growing!

Palmyra ranks in the top ten of the Most Wanted List and #2 in Europe!

As with major DXpeditions, there has been a change of plans due to unforeseen events. Based on the original award received in January 2015, a Team of 12 operators was assembled.

The air charter is provided by our host, The Nature Conservancy, as part of the award. Earlier this year, the air strip was decertified and as a result the aircraft type had to be changed to allow access to the Palmyra. The aircraft selected will only seat 9 persons, which is a major change of plans for the DXpedition.

Several alternate options were examined but were unsuccessful.

It was with great pain that three of the operators stepped back from the Team

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to allow the DXpedition to proceed.

All equipment has been received, being pretested and packaged for shipment to Hawaii. The Team plans on leaving Hawaii for Palmyra on 11 January 2016 and being active from 12 January through 25 January.

Future Palmyra Atoll activations may not happen for many years, as access is severely restricted. Permissions to operate on these rare and extremely controlled locations are very difficult to obtain. We wish to thank The Nature Conservancy and the US Fish and Wildlife Service for their cooperation and support. Without this, K5P Palmyra2016 would not occur.

Check the K5P Palmyra2016 web page for future updates, propagation predictions and donation page.

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