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# DX ITALIA

## DX NEWS

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**ON NOW OR WITHIN NEXT WEEK -- IN ARIA OR A ENTRO UNA SETTIMANA**

PFX	COUNTRY	DATE	INFO	QSL
4J	<b>Azerbaijan</b>	Jun 10 - Jun 25	4J3DJ is again active as 4JF1EU	Dir only
4O	<b>Montenegro</b>	Jun 18 - Jun 28	IK5WWA will sign 4O7GD	H,c, Dir & Bur
5T	<b>Mauritania</b>	Now - Dec 31	ON8RA/5T0JL will be on as 5T0ITU Will sign 5T3MM during next days	ON8RA PY4KL
5V	<b>Togo</b>	May 21 - Jul 28	OK1FCJ & OK6DJ will be on all bands and modes	LoTW & OK6DJ
5Z	<b>Kenya</b>	NOW till 2019	DL2RMC will sign /5Z4	H.C.
8J	<b>Antartica</b>	All 2017	JG2MLI will be on from 8J1RL. Will also use 8J60JARE	H.C. LoTW
8Q	<b>Maldives</b>	Jun 26 - Jul 6	G4IRN will be on	H.C. LoTW ClubLog
9A	<b>Croatia</b> <b>EU-016</b>	Jun 28 - Jul 9	DM5JBN will be on from different islands in this group	H.C. dir &

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<b>9M4</b>	<b>W.Malaysia</b> <b>AS-073</b>	Jun 24 - Jun 26	9M2TO & JE1SCJ will be active as 9M4DXX/P	9M2TO dir & bur
<b>BY</b>	<b>China</b> <b>AS-143</b>	Jun 26 - Jul 2	B7CRA group will be on from Paracel Islands with 3 stations	BA4TB & ClubLog
<b>C6</b>	<b>Bahamas</b>	Jun 7 - Jun 16	K6KLY (C6ALY), K8CC (C6ACC) and Ken/K2KW (C6ATA) will be active mainly VHF	H.C. & LoTW
<b>CP</b>	<b>Bolivia</b>	Jun 28 - Aug 14	EA5RM will be on as CP1XRM	H.C. dir & LoTW
<b>D2</b>	<b>Angola</b> <b>AF-108</b>	Jun 2017	8 Operators will be on from AF-108 Details will follow	
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany</b> <b>EU-042</b>	Jun 22 - Jun 24	7 operators will be on as DL0DFE	DL3HBZ & ClubLog
<b>FO</b>	<b>F.Polynesia &amp; Marquesas</b>	May 1 - Jul 31	IZ2ZTQ will be on from <b>OC-027, 046, 066, 067</b> . Details on the schedule not yet known	H.C. LoTW
<b>FO</b>	<b>F.Polynesia</b>	Jun - Sep	F6CTF will sign /FO from Thaiti	H.C. dir & bur
<b>GD</b>	<b>Isle of man</b>	Jun 29 - Jul 9	GW4SKA will sign GD4SKA	M0OXO
<b>GM</b>	<b>Scotland</b> <b>EU-123</b>	Jun 19 - Aug 1	G3TTC will activate several islands in that area	ClubLog only
<b>HB0</b>	<b>Liechtenstein</b>	Jun 11 - Jun 24	SP9FIH, SP2FUD & SP2GCJ will be /HB0	ClubLog
<b>HH</b>	<b>Haiti</b>	Jun 27 - Jul 8	W3CMP will sign 4V1G	W3HMK
<b>HI</b>	<b>Dominican Rep</b>	Jun 6 - Jul 4	F5PLR will sign /HI9	H.C.
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b> <b>AS-147</b>	Jun 23 - Jun 25	JA8COE will be /8	H.C. & ClubLog
<b>JD</b>	<b>Minami Torishima</b>	May 15 - Jul 15	JG8NQJ will be /JD1 from <b>OC-073</b>	JA8CJY
<b>OJ0</b>	<b>Market reef</b> <b>EU-005</b>	Jul 1 - Jul 7	OJ0V team will be on	ON5TC
<b>OX</b>	<b>Greenland</b> <b>NA-151</b>	Jun 12 - Jun 26	OZ1DJJ will sign OX3LX	OZ0J
<b>OY</b>	<b>Faroe</b>	Jun 14 - Jun 25	K2HVN will be /OY	h.C. dir & bur
<b>PJ7</b>	<b>S.Maarten</b>	Jun 14 - Jun 28 2017	K9UK, K9N, W9AEB, W9DR and W9KXQ will be /PJ7	H.C.
<b>RI1</b>	<b>Antartica</b>	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	UA1OJL will be on as RI1ANO All bands and modes	RN1ON dir & Bur LoTW ClubLog
<b>SV9</b>	<b>Crete</b>	Jul 1 - Jul 10	SX9VK will be on	VK2IR
<b>T32</b>	<b>E.Kiribati</b>	Jun 28 - Jul 4	KH6QJ will be again on as T32AZ	H.C. dir & bur

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<b>T8</b>	<b>Palau</b> <b>OC-009</b>	Jun 16 - Jun 23	JA6UBY as T88RR, JO3LVG as T88MK, JH6DUL as T88VV, JL1HYH as T88HY, JM1LIG as T88FM, JI6NCY as T88NC;	
<b>T8</b>	<b>Palau</b> <b>OC-009</b>	Jun 28 - Jul 2	JF1FKR will operate as T88TJ JH1MLO Will sign T88HR	H.C. Bur H.C. bur
<b>TK</b>	<b>Corsica</b>	Jun 18 - Jun 24	IZ5CMI will be on /TK	H.C. dir & bur
<b>V3</b>	<b>Belize</b>	Jun 21 - Jun 27	KG5CCI will sign V31CI	H.C. LoTW
<b>V4</b>	<b>St. Kitts</b>	Jul 1 - Jul 9	KE1B & W6NN will be /V4	H.C.
<b>V6</b>	<b>Micronesia</b> <b>OC-226</b>	Jun 24 - Jun 29	V6J group will be on	JP3AYQ dir \$ 3
<b>VK9N</b>	<b>Norfolk</b>	NOW	G0PWH has moved to Norfolk and will be there as VK9PH	QRZ.COM
<b>VK9X</b>	<b>Christmas</b> <b>OC-002</b>	Jun 24 - Jul 1	HL1AHS will sign VK9AA	H.C.dir LoTW
<b>W</b>	<b>USA</b> <b>NA-076</b>	Jun 24 - Jun 25	N4AA group will be on	LoTW
<b>W</b>	<b>U.S.A.</b> <b>NA-168</b>	Jun 26 - Jun 29	KV4T & KS4YT will be on	H.C. LoTW
<b>XE</b>	<b>Mexico</b> <b>NA-221-224</b>	Dec 2016 & all 2017	XF2L call will be used by AREPAC group from NA-221 & NA224	XE1SOV
<b>ZS8</b>	<b>Marion Island</b>	Dec 26 - Dec 31 2017	ZS1BCE as ZS8Z will be on for more than one year	ZS1LS

## **FUTURE OPERATIONS --- OPERAZIONI FUTURE**

<b>PFX</b>	<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>INFO</b>	<b>QSL Info</b>
<b>3B7</b>	<b>S.Brandon</b> <b>AF-015</b>	<b>Mar/Apr 2018</b>	<b>Rumors are circulating about a French operations with 7 stations on all bands/modes</b>	
<b>3B9</b>	<b>Rodriguez</b>	Nov 23 - Dec 12	G0CKV will sign again as 3B9HA	M00XO & LoTW
<b>3X</b>	<b>Guinea</b>	Oct 27 - Nov 6	F5RAV & F5NVF will sign 3XY4D	F5RAV dir only

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<b>3Y</b>	<b>Bouvet</b>	<b>Jan 20 2018 - Feb 28 2018</b>	<b>KOIR K4UEE &amp; LA6VM are announcing their operation</b>	
<b>4L</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	Jul 13 - Jul 20	AD0PY/DL7ZM will be on mainly on 6 meters as 4L/DL7ZM	AD0PY
<b>4L</b>	<b>Georgia</b>	Aug 3 - Aug 13	A 4L-F-UR expeditions will be on as 4L0GF all bands and modes with attention to 80/160 meters	F5RAV dir UR5EAWbur ClubLog & LoTW
<b>5T</b>	<b>Mauritania</b>	Sep 18 - Sep 26	Big OK group will be on as 5T50K	OK6DJ LoTW ClubLog
<b>5W</b>	<b>Samoa</b>	Sep 19 - Sep 28	K7AR will be on as 5W0AR	H.C. LoTW & ClubLog
<b>7X</b>	<b>Algeria</b>	Sep 18 - Sep 25	EA7JX will use the call 7U1X	H.C ClubLog
<b>8Q</b>	<b>Maldives AS-013</b>	Jul 18 - Jul 31	G4PWO will be on as 8Q7PW	H.C.
<b>9L</b>	<b>Sierra Leone AF-O5&amp;</b>	Mar 4 - Mar 17	Italian team will be on with 3 stations and 7 operators	I2YSB OQRS & LoTW
<b>9M0</b>	<b>Spratly</b>	March 2018	YT1AD will organize and expedition with the call 9M0W	
<b>9U</b>	<b>Burundi</b>	Nov 6 - Nov 17	9U4M MDXC expedition will be on with 5 stations	
<b>A2</b>	<b>Botswana</b>	Sep 7 - Sep 15	IW5ELA will be on as A25AL	H.C.
<b>CO</b>	<b>Cuba</b>	Aug 19 - Aug 20	T45FM group will be on with 6 stations	RW6HS dir
<b>CT9</b>	<b>Madeira</b>	Oct 3 - Oct 17	DL8JS, DF6QP and DJ8VC will be active /CT9	H.C.
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany EU-042</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30	DM5JBN will be /p in the contest	H.C dir & bur LoTW
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany EU-042</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30	DG5LAC will be /p in the contest	H.C dir & bur LoTW
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany EU-129</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30	DL5KVV will be /p in the contest	H.C.
<b>DU</b>	<b>Philippines OC-128</b>	Jul 7 - Jul 9	4F2KWT will sign 4G1L	H.C.
<b>DU</b>	<b>Philippines OC-128</b>	Aug 18 - Aug 22	KE0BRZ will be /DU1 from OC-128	H.C. dir LoTW
<b>E5</b>	<b>S, Cook</b>	Aug 7 - Aug 16 Aug 16 - Aug 25	F4GHS will be on as E51GHS <b>OC-083</b> F4GHS will be on as E51GHS <b>OC-013</b>	H.C.

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<b>EI</b>	<b>Ireland</b> <b>EU-121</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30	ON6QR will be in the contest	H.C.
<b>EL</b>	<b>Liberia</b> <b>AF-111</b>	Nov 1 - Nov 4	EL2BG EL2DT EI5GM EI9FBB MM0NDX as 5L3BI	M00XO & ClubLog
<b>F</b>	<b>France</b> <b>EU-105</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30		
<b>FJ</b>	<b>S.Barthelemy</b> <b>NA-146</b>	Oct 17 - Oct 26	AI5AP will be /FJ N0KV will sign /FJ	H.C. LoTW
<b>FJ</b>	<b>S.Barthelemy</b> <b>NA-146</b>	Nov 16 - Nov 30	TO2SP will be the call of the Polish DX Group Team members are: SP3CYY, SP3GEM, SP6EQZ, SP6IXF, SP6JIU, K1CC	
<b>FO</b>	<b>F.Polynesia</b> <b>OC-046</b>	Aug 15 - Sep 5	TX5EG group will be on	F6BCW
<b>FP</b>	<b>St. Pierre</b> <b>NA-032</b>	Jul 4 - Jul 18	KV1J plans to be /FP 1.8 to 50 MHz	KV1J & LoTW
<b>FP</b>	<b>St. Pierre</b> <b>NA-032</b>	Sep 17 - Sep 23	M0WUT and others will sign /FP	H.C.
<b>FT4X</b>	<b>Kerguelen</b>	<b>Nov / Dec</b>	<b>An expedition is planned for the last part of the year</b>	
<b>GD</b>	<b>Isle of Man</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30	MM0GOR will sign MD1E	M00XO
<b>GD</b>	<b>Isle of Man</b>	Jul 29 - Jul 30	M0UTD will sign MD1U	M00XO
<b>GM</b>	<b>Scotland</b> <b>EU-059</b>	Jul 10 - Jul 14	ON4GS will be /MM	H.C. Lotw
<b>H4</b>	<b>Temotu</b>	Oct 3 - Oct 17	LZ1GC will be again on as H40GC	ClubLog LoTW
<b>HC8</b>	<b>Galapagos</b>	Aug 1 - Oct 31	G8OFQ will sign /HC8	H.C.LoTW
<b>HC8</b>	<b>Galapagos</b>	Sep 14 - Sep 21	HD8M multinational team will be on all bands	WB2REM OQRS
<b>I</b>	<b>Italy</b> <b>EU-091</b>	Jul 28 - Jul 30	ARMI team will be on as IL7P or IJ7P	IZ8EGM ClubLog
<b>J5</b>	<b>Guinea Bissau</b> <b>AF-020</b>	Nov 15 - Nov 30	Italian team will be on with 4 stations and 8 operators	Y2YSB OQRS & LoTW
<b>JW</b>	<b>Svalabard</b>	Nov 10 - Nov 13	DL2JRM will sign /JW	H.C.
<b>KH1</b>	<b>Baker&amp; Howland</b>	Sep 1 - Sep 14	YT1AD and his group are planning an operation during Sept/Oct	
<b>KL</b>	<b>Alaska</b> <b>NA-157</b>	Aug 18 - Aug 28	VE7ACN will be on signing /NL6	H.C LoTW
<b>P4</b>	<b>Aruba</b>	Jul 22 - Aug 6	P40X group will be active	DL8UD & ClubLog

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PA	Netherland EU-038	Sep 2 - Sep 16	PD5MVH will be /P	H.C.
PJ7	S.Maarten	Oct 24 - Nov 4	PJ7T by a LU DX group	LU1FM dir LoTW
PY	Brazil SA-072	Jul 28 - Jul 31	ZY8D group will e on	OS8RV dir & bur
RI1	F.J. Land EU-019	Jul - Aug	UA4RX will be on as RI1FJ	UA2FM dir ClubLog
RI1	F.J. Land EU-019	Late September	RI1F group of 12 operators will be on	ClubLog
S9	Sao Tome	Oct 12 - Oct 21	EA5IDQ will sign S95CQ	H.C.
SV	Greece	Jul 4 - Aug 2	PY2DY will operate as SY8APQ	H.C. & LoTW
T8	Palau OC-009	Oct 11 - Oct 17	T88UW by JH7IPR	H.C. LoTW
T8	Palau OC-009	Oct 11 - Oct 16	JH3AZC (T88CX), JH3QFL (T88CU), JH3VAA (T88CV) and JP3EKR (T88DG)	H.C.
T30	W.Kiribati	Dec 2017	VK3FY plans to be in Tarawa before the end of the year as T30T	M00XO
TZ	Mali	Aug - Feb 2019	F5IXR will be on as TZ5XR	F5MXH & LoTW
UA	AS. Russia AS-022	Jul 20 - Jul 24	R7AL, RA1ZZ, RW5D and RK8A will operate as RI0LI from AS-022	
UA	AS. Russia AS-066	Jul 25 - Jul 30	UA0LCZ will be active as R66IOTA	
V2	Antigua	Mid July	KG4ZNX will be on operating as V21XN	Dir LoTW
V2	Antigua	Jul 23 - Aug 7	VE6SH will sign V29SH	H.C. Lotw
V2	Antigua	Jul 23 - Aug 7	VE6SH will be again on as V26SH	
V6	Micronesia OC-011	Aug 28 - Sep 4	V63KS by JA6REX all bands and modes	LoTW
VE	Canada NA-128	Jul 27 - Jul 30	CG2I will be on including the contest	VE2EBK ClubLoG LoTW
VE	Canada NA-174	Jul 28 - Jul 30	VY0/VA2NDX will be in the contest	F4BHW
VE	Canada NA-128	Jul 29 - Jul 30	VA2SG will be in the contest	VE2TLH
VK	Australia OC-216	Nov 6 - Nov 12	VK5CE will sign /9 from OC-216	H.C. dir burClubLo
VK9X	Christmas OC-002	Oct 1 - Oct 10	VK3FY, VK3GK & VK3TZ will be on as VK9XI	M00XO

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VK9X	Christmas OC-002	Oct 2 - Oct 19	W7GJ will be on mainly EME 6 meters signing VK9XGJ	H.C.
VK9C	Cocos Keeling OC-003	Oct 10 - Oct 17	VK3FY, VK3GK & VK3TZ will be on as VK9CI	M00XO
VK9C	Cocos Keeling OC-003	Sep 12 - Sep 28	W7GJ will be on mainly EME 6 meters signing VK9CGJ	H.C.
VK9C	Cocos Keeling OC-003	Oct 23 - Nov 6	GM3WOJ & GM4YXI will sign VK9CZ	N3SL
VK9M	Mellish Reef OC-072	November	9 operators will be on as VK9MA	N7QT ClubLog
VP2E	Anguilla	Nov 21 - Dec 2	OH3JR & OH1VR will be on as VO2EHC & VP2ESM	H.C. dir
VP2M	Montserrat	Nov 1 - Nov 30	DL group will be on as VP2MDL	DL7DF & LoTW
VP2V	British Virgin Is	Nov 23 - Nov 29	N2DXX & AA7V will be /VP2V	NR6M
W	USA NA-067	Jul 16 - Jul 23	WB8YJF will be /4	H.C dir & bur
YJ	Vanatu	Jul 5 - Jul 13	ZL3GA will operate again as YJ0GA	
YN	Nicaragua	Jul 8 - Aug 4	NN3RP will sign YN2RP	LoTW
ZS	S. Africa AF-064	Aug 9 - Aug 13	ZS9V group will be on	M00XO OQRS

**SPECIAL CALLS AND PREFIXES**

PFX	Country	Date	Info	QSL Info
5B	Cyprus	All 2017	H2017PFO	OQRS
9H	Malta	Now - Jun 30	9H2017EU	9H1SP dir
CO	Cuba	Jun 28 - Jul 3	CO9KAA	
DL	Germany	All 2017	DR1517LU, DR500MLE, DR5LUTHER	Bur
		All 2017	DC500LS, DL500ML DM5LUTHER	
		All 2017	DR25MDK	Bur
		All 2017	DR60SAL	Bur
		All 2017	DR60VKL	Bur
			DK60HERTEN	Bur
			DL60NEU	DC1MAS

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<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany</b>	All 2017 All 2017 All 2017 All 2017 Jun 21 - Jun 25	DR0HARZ DB20ENERGY DL40MFR DM1517L DL0DFP	DF7AA DM1DX Bur Bur Bur
<b>DL</b>	<b>Germany</b>	May 1 - Jul 31 Now	DL2017TDF DB125PTB	Bureau Bureau
<b>E7</b>	<b>Bosnia</b>	Jun - Dec	E770BAB	E71EYC
<b>EA</b>	<b>Spain</b>	Jun 22	EH2UNI	EA2BD
<b>EA8</b>	<b>Canary</b>	Jun 26 - Jul 2	EG8JCT	EA8URA
<b>EV</b>	<b>Belarus</b>	Now - Jun 22	EV145O	QRZ
<b>F</b>	<b>France</b>	Apr 22 - Oct 20 Jul 5 - Jul 10 Jun 4 - Jun 18 Jun 22 - Jun 28	TM160BF TM500LH TM24H TM62GREF	Bur F6KOH F6KFI
<b>HA</b>	<b>Hungary</b>	Now - Aug end	HG17EYOF	Dir
<b>HB</b>	<b>Switzerland</b>	Apr - Dec	HB600NFV	HB9JOE
<b>I</b>	<b>Italy</b>	Now - Jun 30 Apr 1 - Jul 31 Jul 1 - Jul 31 May 6 - Jul 9	I11TON I12ARI I12VALT IQ9SY	ClubLog I2MQP OQRS Bur IT9NVA
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	NOW Apr 1 - Oct 31 April - June Apr - Mar 2018 Apr - Mar 2018	8J2A 8J2016Y 8J1IP 8J1YAC 8N60JLRS	Bur JE1XUZ JF6FQI
<b>JA</b>	<b>Japan</b>	Apr 26 - Jun 30 NOW Now - Aug 31 May 15 - Mar 31 2017 2017	8J4VLP, 8J6VLP, 8J8VLP, 8J9VLP 8J7FESTA 8N3H70Y 8J2YAF 8N4KL	Bur Bur Bur Bur Bur Bur
<b>LA</b>	<b>Norway</b>	2017	LM80Q, LM80REX	LA9VDA
<b>LY</b>	<b>Lithuania</b>	May - Jun	LY17PM	LY2KM
<b>LZ</b>	<b>Bulgaria</b>	2017 2017 Jun	LZ45YE LZ73TR LZ121SBS	LZ1YE LZ1YE LZ1KCP
<b>OM</b>	<b>Slovak rep</b>	2017  July Jun 26 - Jul 9	OM685RADOLA OM42KYSUCE OM500R OM60ND OM2017WYAC	OM3CND OM3CND QRX Bur OM3CND

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<b>ON</b>	<b>Belgium</b>	2017 Jun 2017 Jun 2017	OP17HC OR95RCBE OS500RD	ON7PP ON4GDV Bur
<b>OX</b>	<b>Greenland</b>	2017	OX90EDR, OZ90EDR, OV90EDR, 5P90EDR	OZ1ACB
<b>PA</b>	<b>Netherland</b>	2017 Now Now	PG400TH PC55C PA5FR	PA3ETC PD7YY Bureau
<b>S5</b>	<b>Slovenia</b>	ALL 2017	S557E	Dir & Bur
<b>SM</b>	<b>Sweden</b>	Now - Dec 31 Now . Dec 31	SC90SM 7S1GRK & SK0BL	Bureau Bureau
<b>SP</b>	<b>Poland</b>	Jun 2017 Jun - Apr 2018 Jun - Nov	HF800RC SN5PSK SP660K	SP9MZ SP4KM
<b>SV</b>	<b>Greece</b>	May 25 - Jun 23	J43GEO	SZ8LSV
<b>UA</b>	<b>Russia</b>	Jun 2017 Jun 2017 Jun - Aug 31 Now	R1380M & R1945M R100K R110A R80PSP	RK3AW RA1OD RU3WR UA3QII
<b>UR</b>	<b>Ukraine</b>	2017 Jun - Oct	EN90IWA EN90QDG	UR6QR
<b>VE</b>	<b>Canada</b>	2017 2017 Jun 3 - Jul 3	CG9NC XM1150CAN XM3CARF	VE9NC Bur VE3FRG
<b>VR2</b>	<b>Hong Kong</b>	Jul 1 - Jun 30	All VR2 Can sign VR20	
<b>YV</b>	<b>Venezuela</b>	2017	YV50ARV	W4DTA

## **DXCC NEWS.**

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**5A5A - Libya (April 2017)**

**VU4YC - Andaman Islands (2017)**

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**HISTORY:**

**“Exodus 1947” - 70 Years Memorial Event**

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**“Exodus 1947”**

After WWII the British enforced restrictions on Jewish immigration to British controlled Palestine.

The Exodus 1947 was a US coastal freight passenger ship launched in 1928, sold as scrap. It was purchased by the Hagana (the underground Jewish military organization) in order to transport Jews who sought to illegally immigrate into Palestine.

In July 1947, the ship left Sète, France. It carried 4,554 Jewish men, women, and children, all Holocaust survivors from displaced persons (DP) camps. The ship was shadowed by the British navy. On July 18, 20 miles from Haifa, the British navy boarded the ship. In a fierce fight one Jewish crew member and two passengers were killed. Dozens suffered bullet wounds and other injuries.

Attempting to make an example of the Exodus 1947, the British towed the ship to Haifa and transferred the passengers onto three navy transports which returned to Europe. The ships first landed at Port-de-Bouc, France, where the passengers were ordered to disembark. The French authorities refused to forcibly remove the refugees. British authorities, fearing adverse public opinion, sought to wait until the passengers disembarked of their own accord. The passengers, including many orphaned children, forced the issue by declaring a hunger strike which lasted 24 days. Mounting pressure from international media coverage pressed British authorities to find a solution. The British transported them to Hamburg in the British-occupied zone of Germany, where the passengers were interned in DP camps. DPs in camps all over Europe protested vociferously and staged hunger strikes when they heard the news. Large protests erupted on both sides of the Atlantic. The ensuing public embarrassment for Britain played a significant role in the diplomatic swing of sympathy toward the Jews and the eventual recognition of Israel, the Jewish state, in 1948.

**“Exodus 1947-2017”**

70 years after the historic and heroic Exodus 1947 voyage, a commemorative voyage will be held from September 17, 2017. 100 of original Exodus 1947 voyage survivors and 900 Israeli youths will board the ship MS Golden Iris in Haifa port for a 24-hour commemoration sea voyage, during which the Exodus 1947 events will be discussed with survivors of the original voyage, and the role of illegal Jewish immigration in Israel's establishment, as well as the role of the young generation in the future of Israel, will be debated.

**4X70EXODUS, 4Z70ARNON**

The Gideon (pronounced Gid'on) wireless network, with stations all over Europe and the Middle East, was a clandestine wireless network operated by the Haganah Signal Service, providing communication service enabling illegal immigration into British held Palestine, prior to Israel's establishment in 1948. The wireless operators of this network were called Gideonim (singular Gideoni/Gideonit). Arnon was the code name of the network HQ in Tel Aviv. The network was using home-made QRP HF equipment (10-15 Watts) with long wire antennas, utilizing Morse code.

In honor of the Gideonim, the Israel Amateur Radio Club, supported by the Association for the Commemoration of the Fallen Soldiers of the Israeli Signal Corps, will operate two amateur radio stations during the symbolic sea voyage: 4X70EXODUS, on the ship cruising

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in the Mediterranean, will be on air during the actual sea voyage, from around 0600 UTC, Sunday 17 September 2017 and 4Z70ARNON, in Tel Aviv, will be on air from 0500 UTC, Friday 8 September 2017, until 2000 UTC, Monday 18 September 2017.

**Unique eQSLs and Certificate**

All QSOs within the framework of this special event will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. An eQSL registered operator making QSO who successfully contacts any one of these special-event stations will receive a unique eQSL.

Note the unique sea locator (KM72MV) and Holyland square (G05-HF) for this special event. An operator who successfully contacts both stations during the period of the special event will be eligible to receive a special certificate.

Requests for the special certificate should be mailed with relevant QSOs details to [4Z4DX@iarc.org](mailto:4Z4DX@iarc.org) who will email them the certificate.

**Updates**

Most updated information about the special event will be posted on [QRZ.COM](http://QRZ.COM) - look for the special call signs 4X70EXODUS and 4Z70ARNON before the starting date.

## **Contest, mainly from ARRL Bulletin & WA7BNM**

**NAQCC CW Sprint: 0030Z-0230Z, Jun 22**

**RSGB 80m Club Championship, SSB: 1900Z-2030Z, Jun 22**

**NCCC RTTY Sprint: 0145Z-0215Z, Jun 23**

**NCCC Sprint: 0230Z-0300Z, Jun 23**

**Battle of Carabobo International Contest: 0000Z, Jun 24 to 2400Z, Jun 25**

**Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest: 1200Z, Jun 24 to 1200Z, Jun 25**

**His Maj. King of Spain Contest, SSB: 1200Z, Jun 24 to 1200Z, Jun 25**

**ARRL Field Day: 1800Z, Jun 24 to 2100Z, Jun 25**

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