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Introduction

During the informal meeting of HF Managers at Friedrichshafen in 2006, RAAG proposed the idea of a 'Balkan HF Contest' and requested the support of Region 1 Member Societies. The meeting agreed to the principle of this contest on the basis that it would replace the current national events and RAAG was asked to liaise with the other Societies involved and produce a set of rules.

Background

Neighbouring Member Societies RAAG, TRAC and BFRA have not always worked closely together in the past but recent developments have meant that this situation is changing. A growing mood of optimism now exists and it is hoped to promote this optimism with the introduction of a new but simple contest that will also attract newcomers to the hobby.

Recommendation

That IARU Region 1 supports the South East European Activity Contest, the rules of which are included as Annex 1 to this paper.

SOUTH EAST EUROPEAN ACTIVITY CONTEST (SEEAC) RULES

1. Organisers: Radio Amateur Association of Greece (RAAG), Telsiz ve Radyo Amatorleri Cemiyeti (TRAC), Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs (BFRA)*

** Open for other candidates amongst the South East European societies*

2. Objective:

2.1. For amateurs around the world to contact as many amateurs from Balkan (South East European) countries as possible with as many prefixes as possible amongst these (in alphabetical order): **4N, 4O, 5B, 9A, ER, J4, LZ, S5, SV, SV/A, SV5, SV9, SW, SY, SX, SZ, T9, TA, TB, TC, YM, YO, YP, YQ, YR, YT, YU, YZ, Z3, Montenegro (Z7?), ZA, ZC4.**

2.2. For amateurs from South East European countries (prefixes listed above) to contact amateurs around the world (but outside South East Europe) as possible in as many countries as possible.

3. Date and Time: From 12:00 UTC on Saturday, 22 December 2007 to 12:00 UTC on Sunday, 23 December 2007.

4. Bands: All bands 1.8 through 28 MHz except for WARC bands.

5. Modes: CW, SSB, Mixed

6. Categories:

6.1. Category A: Power permitted to the amateur according his/her license, but not exceeding 1500 W INPUT.

6.2. Category B: Power not exceeding 10 W INPUT (QRP). The amateurs in this category transmit /QRP after their callsign.

7. Number exchange: CW: RST report plus the consequent number of the QSO (e.g. 589123), SSB: RS report plus the consequent number of the QSO (e.g. 57006). In case of changing the mode the sequence of numbers continues.

8. Multiplier

8.1. For amateurs around the world - the number of South East European prefixes contacted. For the purposes of this contest each callsign that differs in its **first three marks** counts for multiplier prefix (i.e. LZ1, LZ7, SV3, SV4, Z31, Z32, 4N1, 4N7 etc.; LZ07KM counts for LZ0, YO2007A counts for YO2 etc.). SV/A counts as a separate prefix.

8.2. For amateurs from South East European countries - the number of countries/territories contacted according to the DXCC list.

9. Points: Only contacts between South East European and non-South East European amateurs are valid. Only one (1) contact with other station is valid independently on band and mode (i.e. if LZ6Y makes a contact with W6RE on 14 MHz / CW, no more contacts between them would be valid - nor on SSB, nor on other band). Contacts between category A stations are worth one (1) point for each correspondent. Contacts between category A and category B stations are worth two (2) points for each correspondent. Contacts between category B stations are worth three (3) point for each correspondent.

10. Scoring: All stations: the final score is the result of total QSO points multiplied by the multiplier.

11. Logs: All times must be in UTC (GMT). All sent and received exchanges are to be logged. Indicate prefix or country multiplier only the first time it is worked. Logs must be checked for duplicate contacts, correct QSO points, and multipliers. Electronic logs in Cabrillo format sent by e-mail or on recorded CD are compulsory. Submit your logs to the address in the Appendix.

12. Disqualification: Violations of amateur radio regulations, the rules of the contest, unsportsmanlike conduct, use of any non-amateur means of contacts such as telephone, internet etc. will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification. The decision of the organising society (see the Appendix) is official and final.

13. Deadline: All entries must be sent by e-mail or postmarked not later than ONE MONTH after the date of the contest.

14. Awards: Plaques, trophies and/or certificates are awarded for top performance to the following amateurs:

14.1. Top ten (10) amateurs around the world in category A and top three (3) in category B.

14.2. Top ten (10) amateurs from South East European countries in category A and top three (3) in category B.

14.3. First ten percents (10%) of the participants from each country and in each category.

Appendix: Each of the above mentioned societies-organisers of the contest is consequently responsible for collecting the logs, calculating and announcing the results and dispatching the awards within 6 months from the date of the contest according to the following list:

2007 – Bulgarian Federation of Radio Amateurs, P.O.Box 830, BG-1000 Sofia, Bulgaria

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2008 – (To Be Announced)

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