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Thank you for your letter to Radio Finland. Enclosed please find the current Radio Finland broadcast schedule.

Radio Finland offers English language news and features about Finland and the North at peak listening times in most of our target areas. In addition to worldwide shortwave transmissions, Radio Finland is now available on medium wave (963 kHz - 312 m) in the late evening and early morning throughout most of continental Europe - in English at 19.30 and 22.00 UTC.

The weekend documentary series <u>Focus</u> will, in the weeks ahead, take a look at the position of neutral Finland in the process of western European integration. Finland is a member of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), and has a free trade agreement with the European Community.

In December and in early 1988, <u>Focus</u> will be providing background reports on the Finnish presidential election race.

The resumption of our Finnish-by-radio course Starting Finnish has been warmly received by those listeners interested in the Finnish language. The course is broadcast in ten-week cycles. It is based on the book Suomea Suomeksi by Dr. Olli Nuutinen. Inquiries about the book should be addressed to the publisher, The Finnish Literature Society, Box 259, 00171 Helsinki, Finland. Starting Finnish is broadcast in our Tuesday night - Wednesday morning transmissions.

Once again thank you for writing to Radio Finland. A selection of listeners letters will be answered in detail in <u>Airmail</u> broadcast in our Monday night - Tuesday morning transmissions to all areas and rerun additionally on Sundays at 14.20 UTC (9.20 am EST) for North America.

With best regards,

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