

Commanding Officer USCG Communications Station/NMR

PO Box S-2029 San Juan, PR 00903

2000 29 September 1987

Wayne Heinen 4131 S. Andes Way Aurora, CO 80013-3831

Dear Sir:

This is to confirm your reception of Coast Guard Communications Station San Juan/NMR transmission on 2670 Khz at 0410 to 0420 UTC of 21 September 1987. The signal you heard was this station making our twice daily Scheduled Broascast Notice to Mariners.

Our station is located in the City of San Juan, Puerto Rico (18.28N 66.07W). The transmitter used for this type of communications is the Sunair GSB-900 and is normally keyed at 1 KW output. The antenna used with this transmitter is a 35 ft vertical whip. We also work in the CW mode on the following frequencies: 500 Khz, 8471.0 Khz, 12700.0 Khz and 16982.6 Khz.

Our mission is to be on the alert for distress (we also guard 5000 Khz and 2182 Khz) and render assistance as required. We accept traffic from vessels of any country in the world free of charge, with traffic addressed to the U.S. Government. The majority of our traffic is in support of the International Automated Mutual Assistance (AMVER) System and relays of coded weather information to the U.S. Weather Bureau from ships at sea including the Pacific and Indian Oceans. As part of our assistance to mariners, we relay MEDICO (medical messages) CIRM Roma when necessary.

In closing, I would like to wish you good luck on your hobby.

P. C. Hopkinson

Chief Warrant Officer

U.S. Coast Guard Commanding Officer

