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MY DEAR RADIO FRIEND:

MAKES ME VERY HAPPY TO REPLY TO YOUR VERY INTERESTING LETTER OF 12 OCTOBER WHICH ONLY CAME IN YESTERDAY. ALSO TO VERIFY YOUR RECEPTION OF OURRIG. I GUESS EVERYBODY WILL BE FULLY SURPRISED TO FIND OUT THAT OUR STATION IS ONLY GIVING OUT WITH JUST 50 WATTS AND NOT THE 200 TO 500 THAT THEY SUPPOSE. SO I GUESS YOU CAN SAY THAT WE ARE DOING "VERY WELL INDEED" TO REACH YOU UNDER EXISTING CONDITIONS.

RIGHT NOW WE'RE ON BERMUDA DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME WHICH IS 2 HOURS DIFFERENCE THEN YOUR TIME, BUT ON THE NIGHT OF 4 NOVEMBER AT 0200 HOURS WE'LL BE MOVING THE CLOCK BACK AN HOUR TO BERMUDA STANDARD TIME, SO YOU'LL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE US FOR A LONGER PERIOD IN THE CLEAR THEN YOU ARE NOW. WOULD BE VERY HAPPY TO RECEIVE FURTHER INFO ON OUR RECEPTION AROUND THAT TIME.

YOU SEEM TO BE THE ONLY DXER WHO HAS HEARD BERMUDA BEFORE. ALL THE OTHER LETTERS THAT HAVE BEEN COMING IN RECENTLY HAVE MENTIONED THE FACT THAT IT WOULD BE A NEW COUNTRY FOR THEM. THOUGH I HAVE BEEN DOWN HERE SOME TIME, IN THE ARMY OF COURSE, I WASN'T FAMILIAR WITH THE STATION THAT MAJOR WATSON PUT ON SOME YEARS AGO... GUESS I WASN'T AROUND THAT LONG... I'M JUST HERE GOING ON 2 1/2 YEARS. IT MIGHT INTEREST YOU TO LEARN, THAT PERHAPS IN THE SPRING YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET ANOTHER STATION FROM THESE SHORES. FOR WHEN WE GO OFF THE AIR AROUND THE 1ST OF THE YEAR, OUR PLACE WILL BE TAKEN BY A STATION OF THE BERMUDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT. I DON'T KNOW THE FREQ THEY MIGHT GO ON, SO I CAN'T HELP YOU ON THAT SCORE, BUT THEY MIGHT USE THE SAME CALL LETTERS THEY USED IN THEIR LITTLE SET-UP BEFORE THE WAR "ZFA3", SO KEEP THAT IN MIND. YOU SEE, LOCAL RADIO IN BERMUDA NEVER PROVED SUCCESSFUL UNTIL THE U.S. ARMY CAME ALONG WITH AN ARMED FORCES RADIO STATION.... SO NOW THAT WE'LL BE THRU AND PACKED UP TO GO HOME FOR ALL OF AFRS WILL BE CLOSING SHOP VERY SHORTLY, THEY ARE GOING TO JUMP IN AND GET THEIR OWN STATION ON THE AIR TO FILL THE GAP. NO MATTER WHAT THEY DO I'M SURE THEY'LL HAVE TO GO A VERY LONG WAY OF EVEN COMING CLOSE TO THE EXCELLENT SHOWS AND PROGRAMS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO PUT ON THRU AFRS FACILITIES. IF YOU ARE AT ALL ACQUAINTED WITH ARMED FORCES RADIO TRANSCRIPTIONS, YOU THEN KNOW WHAT I MEAN... I GUESS AFRS IS JUST ABOUT THE BIGGEST NET-NETWORK IN THE WORLD, AT LEAST



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IT WAS AT ONE TIME, EVEN BIGGER THEN MUTUAL OR NBC OR ANY OF THEM. IT WAS A HAPPY EXPERIENCE TO BE A PART OF IT.

YOU'LL POSSIBLY AND PROBABLY GET ALL THE NEWS OF THIS STATION FROM YOUR NEXT EDITION OF THE "DX NEWS" OUT AROUND 28 OCTOBER FOR I'VE BEEN IN COMMUNICATION WITH RAY EDGE AND HE SAID HE'LL HAVE THE DOPE IN THAT EDITION. HOWEVER IF YOU WANT IT FOR RECORD HEREIN... THEN HERE IT IS...

WXLQ, IS AN ARMED FORCES RADIO STATION, ONE OF MANY SCATTERED ALL OVER THE WORLD. THIS RIG DOWN HERE AT FORT BELL RIGHT ON KINDLEY FIELD, IS MAINTAINED BY THE SIGNAL CORPS AND OPERATED BY SPECIAL SERVICE, U.S. ARMY. WE OPERATE ON 1240 KCS, HAVE A 6V6 CRYSTAL CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR. BUFFER 6L6 DOUBLING, FINAL PARALLEL 807'S. "50" WATT OUTPUT AND A 1/4 WAVE INVERTED L ANTENNA ABOUT 50 FT HIGH. MODULATION 4-6L6 CLASS AB2, PLATE. WE USE A TURNER #99 DYNAMIC MIKE IN OUR STUDIO, OUR TWO TURNTABLES HAVE GREENFLYER MOTORS, ASTITIC S-12 PICK-UPS. WE HAVE A 4 CHANNEL MIXER STUDIO AMPLIFIER AND A 4 CHANNEL MIXER REMOTE AMPLIFIER. ALL THIS EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN DESIGNED AND HOME MADE BY OUR TECHNICIAN, SGT JOHN V METZNER OF NEW YORK. I'M FROM NEWYORKCITY TOO IF YOU'RE INTERESTED. WE USE ARMED FORCES RADIO TRANSCRIPTIONS AS THE BACKBONE OF OUR PROGRAM SCHEDULE, AND FOR REBROADCASTING, WE PICK UP GENERALLY AFRS IN NEWYORK, STATION WOOW 11870 KCS, THAT'S FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, LIKE NEWS AND BALL GAMES ETC... I'M SURE YOU'RE ALSO INTERESTED IN OUR TIMES ON THE AIR; AND HERE THEY ARE, PLEASE NOTE, ALL TIMES ZEBRA.... (0930-1115, 1400-1715 & 1900-2315). I GUESS THAT SHOULD JUST ABOUT COVER IT EH PARD??

WELL, I GUESS THAT'S IT THEN... WOULD BE VERY EAGER TO HEAR FROM YOU AGAIN, AND THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR SWELL LETTER. AND AS I KEEP TELLING THEM DOWN THIS WAY, "FOR THE BEST IN MUSIC AND NEWS, KEEP YOUR RADIO TO "1240"....."

GOOD LUCK O.M. AND LOADS OF 73'S....

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sgt. M. Wertheim'.

SGT MARTIN WERTHEIM  
STA MANAGER WXLQ