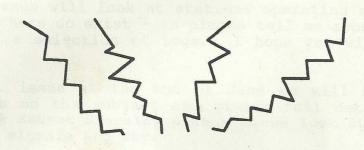
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"ENIGMA" - A RIDDLE - PUZZLING THING OR PERSON

Thank you for your interest in "number stations" - the radio spectrum is now larger and more accessible than ever - with something for everyone.

I hope through "Enigma" to look at the "number station" scene - I also hope you will be able to join in listening - it is important to say that the aim is only to provide dx interest - and extend the listening hobby.

The first issue will look at stations operating at present - I know that others do exist - so please tell me about them. Also enclosed is a selection of logs. I hope you will find it of interest.

In the next issue at the end of June we will be looking at publications on the subject and giving full details on Simon Mason's book Secret Signals, plus a close look at who might be sending the signals and why.

I would like to say thanks to:-

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Acknowledgements to Simon Mason

And Alison for typing all this.

Thank you.

The second issue of "Enigma" will be sent out at the end of June, please send in your letters, logs and comments to arrive by 5 June 1993, a stamp would be appreciated.

Kind regards 73's.

Chris

Everyone who receives issue 1 will automatically receive issue 2.

TWO LETTER GERMAN

ANNOUNCER GERMAN FEMALE MIXED AM / S S B

FORMAT

First 5 minutes consist of random electronic tones and a 2 letter identification - papa uniform - oscar alpha eet. Followed by group counts - 441-441-39 which would mean the message is for 441 and contains 39 5 figure blocks which follow.

This is the largest organisation with a great number of call signs and groups - the majority of broadcast are in the early-mid evening on 3 MHZ - 7 MHZ

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

2707	3262	3323	4010
4544	4595	4821	5015
5182	5732	5750	5770
	7405	7740	

Early/Late Evening

STATION NNN

ANNOUNCER GERMAN/ENGLISH FEMALE

The first 5 minutes consist of the letter N in morse code - followed by a group count, eg 15 and a selection of 5 figure blocks.

OBSERVATIONS

The announcer reads quite slow with a laid-back sort of reading - I have only found the German version so far.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

5177 11101 4026

Early Evening

FIVE DASHES

ANNOUNCER GERMAN FEMALE - OCCASION ENGLISH

FORMAT

First 5 minutes consist of a 3 figure number followed by a 5 figure number then 2 on 3 figures the english transmission was /257/05942/032/

257/257/257

05942

Address

Decoding Key

The number of 5 figure blocks to follow

This is all followed by 5 dashes and then the 5 figure blocks.

OBSERVATIONS

This station is easy to identify - the spaces between each letter are not equal - or of the same volume so the broadcast sounds <u>VERY</u> disconcerted and irregular - some are close together like FUNF - and some apart like NOYNER.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

12170

Afternoon/Evening

10255

5474 in English

LINCOLNSHIRE POACHER

ANNOUNCER ENGLISH FEMALE / ALL IN S S B

FORMAT

First ten minutes consist of opening bars of the tune Lincolnshire Poacher followed by a 5 figure ID, eg 55141 repeated. Transmission starts at 10 past the hour with 10 tones followed by 5 figure blocks each repeated - the transmission carries 200 x 5 figure blocks per broadcast.

OBSERVATIONS

The broadcasts in S S B are often jammed - the previous fixed scheme in the early evening now seems more erratic - some times the jammer will only hit one frequency whilst others are clear.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

14487/15682 Early Afternoon 7887/8464/9251 Mid/Early Evening 4468/5746/6880 Evening - Up to 22.00

Most days/evenings

SWEDISH RHAPSODY

ANNOUNCER GERMAN FEMALE

FORMAT

First 5 minutes consist of a short excerpt of the tune Swedish Rhapsody played on mechanical music box, this is followed by a group count, eg 61349 followed by a selection of random 5 figure numbers.

OBSERVATIONS

Some broadcast on more than one frequency - on Monday 22 February 1993 at 17.00 hours the announcer appeared between every third play of the tune and counted 0-9 is German, followed by a normal format at 5 minutes past the hour.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

4780 5340 5749 6508

Early - Mid Evening

COUNTING STATIONS

ANNOUNCER ENGLISH OR GERMAN FEMALE

FORMAT

First 10 minutes consist of count from 0-9 with a call eg 263 - this is followed at 10 past the hour with a count, eg 72 which is the number of blocks of numbers which will follow.

OBSERVATIONS

This station is in both English and German, the English version has a strong North American Accent, most transmission are on 2 frequencies at once and suffer jamming from time to time finding the pair of frequencies can be difficult.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE - In Pairs Where Possible

OPERATING

4540/3190 9050/5415 5415/4540 5415/7588

Most Evenings -Large number of repeat

Also 7820/9050 which sounded more distant - not aimed at Europe.

TWO LETTER GERMAN

15.12	4595	20.00	YL	GG	NOVEMBER UNIFORM
21.12	4545 SSB	21.30	YL	GG	DELTA TANGO
06.01	5770	21.05	YL	GG	ECHO LIMA
28.01	2707 SSB	21.00	YL	GG	ROMEO DELTA
02.02	4545	21.30	YL	GG	DELTA CHARLIE
12.02	4595	19.00	YL	GG	ROMEO DELTA
14.02	4821	22.00	YL	GG	ROMEO DELTA
25.02	5732	23.00	YL	GG	FOXTROT SIERRA
05.03	4545	21.00	YL	GG	OSCAR ALPHA
09.03	4821	19.30	YL	GG	VICTOR OSCAR
15.03	4545	21.03	YL	GG	PAPA ZULU
16.03	4595	21.05	YL	GG	PAPA ZULU

TRY ALSO 7740, 5182, 5750, 3323, 3262 ALL HEARD AFTER 5 MINUTE SIGN ON - IE AFTER SIGN ON.

ALPHABET STATION

7.01	8464	21.30	YL	EE	SYN2
14.01	4465	21.12	YL	EE	FTJ2
28.01	5092	21.35	YL	EE	SSR2
04.02	3420	21.30	YL	EE	ART2
10.02	2270	20.40	YL	EE	NOT I D' -
14.02	3150	22.00	YL	EE	PCD
7.03	4270	22.00	YL	EE	PCD
09.03	4560	21.00	YL	EE	YHF
09.03	4880	23.00	YL	EE	ULX2
08.03	5629	20.30	YL	EE	SYN2
16.03	5232	20.30	YL	EE	M I W - MESSAGE WAS
					M I W 16748
16.03	3150	21.05	YL	EE	PCD

LINCOLNSHIRE POACHER

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7.1	8464	21.30	YL	EE	
12.02	5746	19.05	YL	EE	85253
17.02	4468	21.05	YL	EE	23143
28.02	14487//15682	13.08	YL	EE	20140
05.02	6880	21.30	YL	EE	
14.02	8464//	16.00	YI.	EE	47694
14.02	9251			DL	47054
14.02	9251	17.00	YL	EE	06710

SWEDISH RHAPSODY

2.02	5749	17.00	YL	GG	WITH 0-9 COUNT BETWEEN
05.03	6508//	19.00 5340// 4780//	YL	GG	EACH 3 MUSICAL MARKERS

STRICH/OBLIQUE

21.12	5780	21.12	YL	GG
28.08	5300	22.00	YL	GG
7.03	6758	17.07	YL	RR

STRICH/OBLIQUE

ANNOUNCER GERMAN RUSSIAN ENGLISH FEMALE

FORMAT

This is operating in 3 languages - German, Russian and English - the first 5 minutes consists of 3 figures - followed by the word / Strich / Oblique / Presta - depending on the language - 341/00 - this is followed by 5 figure blocks.

OBSERVATIONS

Poor quality audio - listen for words such as Sedum (7) and Dvonta (2) which are easy to pick out - the announcer is fast - 'the agents must be trained to write down the numbers' - since it is a difficult station to follow.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

5780 6758 5300 3280 Mid-Evenings

ALPHABET STATION

ANNOUNCER ENGLISH FEMALE

FORMAT

A 3 letter identification is broadcast - eg, Uniform Lima X-Ray -followed by the words message Message Group 98 Group 98 Text Text. Sometimes 2 messages are sent - the message consist only of letters - and can be quite long in duration.

OBSERVATIONS

This is a large organisation with a lot of transmitters and call signs. If a 1 follows the ID it is, I understand, a test - if 2 follows the ID no message will follow.

FREQUENCIES ACTIVE

OPERATING

2270	3420	4464	4564	4880
5092	5232	5438	5630	5820
6270	6842	8465	0131	

All Evening

CALL HEADERS

ART - SSR - JSR - SYN - EZI - ULX - YHF - MIW

RUSSIAN MAN

ANNOUNCER MALE ENGLISH / ALSO HEARD IN EAST EUROPEAN/RUSSIAN

FORMAT

The transmissions consist of a three figure identification 451 451 451 - followed by 2 letters 31 31 - 5 figure blocks after 5 minutes - transmission always end with '000' or '00000'.

OBSERVATIONS

Very hard to work out the schedule! Only heard occasionally. The male announcer is slow and clear with a powerful signal.

TRY - FOLLOWING

Late 1992 was

1993 try

11220 11396 10260 5660 4580 4620 7820 5390 Evenings

COUNTING STATION

					CALL	COUNT
21.12	4540//3190	21.00	YL	EE	447	
06.01	5415	21.05	YL	EE	661	
07.07	5415//4540(J)	21.11	YL	EE	219	
08.01	5415//7588	21.00	YL	EE	661	
20.01	9050//5415	21.17	YL	EE		
10.02	7588//5415	21.00	YL	EE	017	159
12.02	11465	17.06	YL	EE	426	200
12.02	4588	18.00	YL	EE	918	092
12.02	5475	20.03	YL	EE	257	
17.02	7820//9050	21.00	YL	EE	639	125
17.02	5415//7588	21.00	YL	EE	661	215
18.02	9050	21.00	YL	EE	103	119
18.02	4540//3190	21.05	YL	EE	725	
08.03	5415//4540	21.05	YL	EE	263	072
13.03	5415//4010	19.00	YL	EE	383	*
15.03	5415//4540	21.00	YL	EE	289	202

^{*} ALL 383 TRANSMISSION TERMINATE AFTER 10 MINUTES WITH NO MESSAGES.

CALL IS THE GROUP OR PERSON

COUNT IS THE NUMBER OF 5 FIGURE BLOCKS TO FOLLOW - THE MESSAGE -

TATION	NNN				
6.01	5177	21.12	YL	GG	
2.02	11101	11.00	YL	GG	
7.02	5177	21.03	YL	GG	
6.03	4026	21.12	YL	GG	
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					CALLING
08.01	4022	21.07	YL	GG	
07.02	10255	11.15	YL	GG	
2.02	12170//	16.05	YL	GG	
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20.01	5390	21.08	OM	EE	010
28.01	4620	22.03	OM	EE	930
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