

160m Dx'ing from 706T Yemen 2012

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160M Dx'ing from 706T in Yemen May 2012

- **70 a Top-Needed Country in 2012**
- **Licensing a Major Issue/Impediment**
- **701YGF not yet accepted by ARRL**
- **OH3YY/70 activation made few Q's**
- **Lowband Activation REALLY RARE!**
- **JY1, A61AJ & OH2BH Attempts NG**
- **Behind the scenes efforts a SECRET!**

Russian Teamwork Makes It Happen in May 2012

- **RW9USU (Dima) Paves the Way**
- **At Visalia not even a rumor heard**
- **K3LP/YT1AD/N6PSE may not have been aware of licensing success**
- **End of April, 706T license granted for 15 days – May 01-15, 2012**
- **Cost of License Rumored to be \$25K**
- **Max Team on Ground 10 ops at a time**

Operation Commences with Advance Russian Team

- **Last days of April 2012 Russian Team Arrives with single allowed container shipment**
- **Dx'ers learn of 706T Operation essentially as it starts May 01**
- **3-4 Russian CW Ops Subsidized by American Team members**
- **Operations Recorded/Monitored**

K1ZM A Late Addition to the Team

- **Due to family emergency K1LZ has to drop out at the last minute**
- **K1ZM allowed to come by RA3AUU**
- **XYL highly skeptical about this trip!**
- **Joint Travel with K3LP authorized**
- **Night of May 8 departure from Dulles**
- **706T 160M Q's with NA = 5 total**
- **Principal objective of K1ZM is 160M**

In Dubai On the Way In



Arrival in Sanaa With Karina



The Official 706T T Shirt



A Typical Street in Sanaa, North Yemen



Sunset at the 160M Beach Site May 09, 2012



The 160M Antenna - Tunable at 1.825, 3.520 and 3.750mHz



160M Vertical - 57 feet high



Another View of Remote Beach Site

Antenna - 36 Radials



160M Operating Hut is in the Middle



Yury RL3FT with JA Beverage



JA Beverage Support



RL3FT Outside Our 160M Operating "Villa"



RL3FT in Action at the Remote Site



VY2ZM About to Check Things Out on Topband



VY2ZM Waiting for Full Darkness May 09th



160M Sleeping Spot on the Sand



Here's Yury's Sleeping Spot



Sleeping Tent Inside Our Hut (At 40+C no one went in it!)



A closer look at the 2KW generator



VY2ZM with Fan - It made it barely bearable to operate after dark



Our surroundings out at the beach



It was indeed REMOTE!



NA and JA Beverage Switch & Feedpoint



EU/NA Beverage Path - 600 feet long



Another View of our Remote Site



RL3FT in the Arabian Sea on May 10th - at 6AM-



Hey Come On In....the Water's Fine!



Looking SE along our 160M Beach Site



Two Freighters Offshore - The Sun Would Rise There at 0502 local



EU/NA Beverage Termination with Radial Grounds



A Closer Look at the NA Beverage Termination Point



CW Antennas on a nearby building



More Antennas for CW Atop the Summerland Hotel



CW Antennas Atop the Summerland Hotel in Hadibo



CW Operating Site with K3LP, RM2M and LZ2HM in Action



Dave K3LP in Action on CW



RM2M in Action on CW in Room 29



Main Street Hadibo - the Taj Hotel (SSB Site) is at the far end 600m or so from the CW Operations Site



The Road Out to the 160M Remote Site



An Upside Down Tree Blooming in Dixon



Fishing Boats on the Water Near the Airport



Socotra Airport - We stopped to pick up some onions



Arid landscape in the Dixon highlands on Socotra



Atop the Mountains in Dixon



A View from Dixon back to the Arabian Sea



Minister of Communications Representative - With Hat- Overseeing our Operations



That's All Folks

Thanks for Coming!

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