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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF REGION 1 OF THE INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO UNION, HELD ON 24 AND 25 APRIL 2011 AT THE SAFIR HELIOPOLITAN HOTEL, BEIRUT, LEBANON

Present:

Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T (Chairman)	IARU Reg 1 President
Tafa Diop, 6W1KI	IARU Reg 1 Vice President
Andreas Thiemann, HB9JOE	IARU Reg 1 Treasurer
Panayot Danev, LZ1US	IARU Reg 1 EC Member
Nikola Percin, 9A5W	IARU Reg 1 EC Member
Hani Raad, OD5TE	IARU Reg 1 EC Member
Colin Thomas, G3PSM	IARU Reg 1 EC Member
Betty Magnin, F6IOC	IARU Reg 1 EC Member
Michael Kastelic, OE1MCU	IARU Reg 1 EC VHF/UHF/MW Manager
Ullrich Mueller, DK4VW	IARU Reg 1 HF Manager
Rod Stafford, W6ROD (observer)	IARU Secretary
Ramon Santoyo, XE1KK (observer)	IARU Reg 2 Secretary
Dennis Green, ZS4BS (Secretary)	IARU Reg 1 Secretary

Apologies

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ITEM 1: WELCOME

1. IARU Region 1 President, Hans, PB2T, welcomed the participants to this EC meeting. Dennis, ZS4BS, did roll call of members present. Hani, OD5TE, explained the programme for the meeting and extra days in Lebanon.
2. Agenda 1.c. Meeting Agenda. The agenda for the meeting is approved.
3. Agenda 1.d. Remembrance of Silent Keys.
 - a. K.C. Selvadurai, "Selva" 9V1UV, passed away on 30 June 2010. Selva served as Director of IARU Region 3 from August 2000 until August 2006. He was the Editor of the IARU Region 3 Newsletter
 - b. Axel Tigersted, OH5NW, passed away in December 2010. His funeral was on 23 December 2010. He was a keen DXer and contester, President of SRAL for 15 years and IARU Region 1 Treasurer 1972 - 75.
 - c. Vice President of SSTARS Michel Sioufy, YK1AN, passed away in January 2011 at the age of 70 after a long illness.
 - d. NRRL President and past Chairman of ERO, Thormod Boe, LA7OF, passed away on 21 March 2011 at the age of 71.

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- e. DARC DX and Contest Manager Dr Lothar Wilke, DL3TD, passed away on 7 April 2011 at the age of 58 after a fire struck his house.
 - f. The meeting observed a moment of silence in memory of these radio amateurs.
4. Agenda 1.e. Minutes of the 2010 EC Meeting. The minutes of the 2010 EC were published on the Region 1 web site and accepted as read.
- 5. ITEM 2: EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**
6. Colin, G3PSM, introduced his report, Document EC11-02.
7. CEPT. IARU Region 1 participates in the meetings of the Conference Preparatory Group and Project Team C. G3PSM acts as CEPT coordinator for AI 1.23. The CEPT coordinator leads the work on developing a CEPT brief and a CEPT position for AI 1.23
8. RCC. SRR President and IARU liaison were asked to assist in building up a working relationship with RCC.
9. ASMG. IARU Region 1 attended the ASMG meeting that took place in December 2011.
10. Future Meetings. Colin, G3PSM gives the following dates for the ERC to attend.
- a. 12 - 15 April 2011 - CEPT CPG PT-C, Vilnius, Lithuania
 - b. 25 May - 1 June 2011 - ITU- WP1A/B, Geneva, Switzerland
 - c. 13 June - 22 June 2011 - ITU-R WP5A/B, Geneva, Switzerland
 - d. 28 June - 1 July 2011 - CEPT CPG, Oxford, UK
 - e. 27 - 30 Sept 2011 - CEPT CPG PT-C (Final), Germany
 - f. 8 - 18 Nov 2011 - ITU-R WP5A/B (Final) Geneva (proposed)
 - g. 25 - 28 Nov 2011 - CEPT CPG (Final), Bucharest
 - h. 23 Jan - 27 Feb 2011 - WRC-12 Geneva, Switzerland
- 11. ITEM 3: WRC-2012**
12. Items concerning WRC-12 are also covered in the ERC Report.
13. ITU-R Working Party 5A deals with amateur issues. While the IS has the lead on the IARU work in ITU, both G3PSM and DK4VW (as DARC representative) participate in WP5A meetings.
14. AI 1.1. Foot Note 5.96 (160 m) Talk to administrations to remove 10 Watts. AI allows administrations to allow amateurs in this part. FN 5,98 and 5,99 on additional and alternative allocations in 160 m. FN 5.100. 1 810 - 1 830 has been

overtaken by events. FN to be removed. FN 5.101. 1 810 – 1 850 to be removed. 40 metre footnotes Arab countries

15. Agenda 1.10 With the removal of the old Method A (493 - 510 kHz) from the CPM text for agenda item 1.23 there is now no linkage between this and agenda item 1.10. Monitoring of A.I. 1.10 will continue however.

16. Agenda 1.15. HF Radar. Some doubt if 1.15 will survive WRC-12, a lot of disagreement between administrations, No effect on the amateur HF bands, one proposal was near the 20 metre band, but it has been moved down to 13 MHz. Threat around 24 MHz – the proposal no longer exists.

17. Agenda 1.19. SDR and cognitive radio. Not subject to regulatory matters

18. Agenda 1.22. A lot of disagreement between administrations – many would like common allocations for SRD, others a flexible allocation.

19. Agenda 1.23. There are now three proposals for an amateur segment of about 15 kHz between 415 – 526.5 kHz; Method A - 472 - 487 kHz. CITEL proposes 461 – 469 and 471 – 478 kHz as Method B and the Russian Federation is proposing No Change (NOC) as Method C. CEPT prefers a segment within Method A but not 15 kHz. Maybe a 8 to 9 kHz allocation. If we insisted on going for 15 kHz – would not get European Common Proposal (48 countries), or go for a multi country proposal. What will happen at WRC? Maybe 8 or 9 kHz or even less. Method A is the most favourable. Tafa will represent the IARU at the Algiers African Telecommunications Union meeting.

ITEM 4: FINANCIAL REPORT

20. Andy, HB9JOE, discusses the financial report and documents EC11-04.a, b, c, d and e.

21. Hani, OD5TE, to investigate use of video/audio streaming during the Region 1 conference. The meeting suggests CHF 1 000. OD5TE to liaise with Hans, ZS6AKV.

22. The meeting discussed the various financial documents and made various amendments. The amended version will be submitted as a conference document.

23. Unpaid fees. The meeting looked at the unpaid fees and expresses its concern about certain MS.

ITEM 5: IARU ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MATTERS

24. Rod, W6ROD, discusses the “New IARU” slideshow. A lot of discussion has taken place on the various proposals.

25. IARU 2025. This was on hold until May 2009, when the leadership of IARU changed. At the 2009 AC meeting, it was summarised that funding of a restructured organization is a significant problem. Until the funding issue is somehow resolved, progress in major restructuring will likely be limited. However, a number of improvements the IARU could imple-

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ment have been discussed within the committee. Therefore, the 2025 Committee has been reconstituted and the committee will continue to seek solutions to the funding issue for any restructured organization. The committee has also been requested to explore how the IARU might implement positive changes previously discussed by the committee. Don, G3BJ, will stay on the committee as the Region 1 representative

26. AC Meeting 2010. Hans, PB2T, and Dennis, ZS4BS, represented Region 1 at the meeting in El Salvador.

27. AC Meeting 2011. Colin, G3PSM, to liaise with Murray Niman, G6JYB, for a paper about Spectrum Trading. G3PSM to attend the AC meeting with regard to the WRC-12 preparations.

ITEM 6: WORKING GROUPS

28. Agenda 6.a. HF Committee.

a. The EC noted the report.

b. The Chairman is concerned about no paper from the "IARU HF Contest committee" about the rules for the contest. Requests a report from the committee for the general conference – adjudication of previous contest, proposal to the next conference for a rule change.

29. Agenda 6.b. VHF/UHF/MW Committee

a. The EC noted the report.

30. Agenda 6.c. ARDF

a. No WG report was received. Panayot, LZ1US, has no communication with Rainer, DL5NBZ, WG chairman. The WG meeting in Croatia looked at ideas to involve young people. A planning conference will be held in the Czech Republic in July 2011. 2010 ARDF Championship in Croatia was a big event with Israel and Spain attending for the first time. It included the first ARDF championships for visually impaired. The Youth ARDF was well supported. 2011 events – youth ARDF in Bulgaria and Region 1 Championship in Romania

b. LA2RR (chairman of the jury at the 2010 World Championships) proposed that the chairman of the jury must be appointed 9 months ahead of the event. The meeting agree to this. A paper will be forwarded to the general conference and the ARDF WG will be informed.

31. Agenda 6.d. ARSPEX

a. The EC noted the report with appreciation. Gaston is complemented on the numerous ARISS contacts and in his way to report on these events, he is an example for other WG Chairmen.

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32.	Agenda 6.e. EMC a. The EC noted the report b. The EMC chairman asks the EC to agree that an unofficial meeting will be held in Friedrichshafen. The EC will decide once the EMC WG chairman has an estimate how many participants will attend the meeting in Friedrichshafen and the official WG meeting in Sun City. MS, who cannot attend, must have the opportunity to take part in a telephone conference.	OZ8CY
33.	Agenda 6.f. EMERCOM a. The EC noted the report. b. The meeting recognises the excellent cooperation between the three regional organisations. The coordinator is requested to set up guidelines for MS how to set up Emercom organisations.	G0BUB
34.	Agenda 6.g. EUROCOM a. The report is noted. b. European Parliament exhibition The EC thanks the WG and especially the WG Chairman for their work for the exhibition at the EU Parliament.	
35.	Agenda 6.h. HST a. The report is noted.	
36.	Agenda 6.i. IPHA a. The report is noted. The report will be changed to become a proposal for Committee C3 to celebrate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities	ZS4BS
37.	Agenda 6.j. IARUMS a. The EC noted the report and the successes of the IARU-MS. The EC thanks the WG for their monitoring in support of the preparatory work for WRC-12 and on the behaviour of BC stations after the band 7 100 – 7 200 kHz became available to the amateur service in Region 1. b. With the start of the summer broadcasting season, several BC stations showed up in the band 7 100 – 7 200 kHz. The EC noticed that appropriate action is taken. c. The report to 2010 AC meeting on the work R1 Monitoring System was noted. d. The EC noted that the WG Chairman will not attend the General Conference. His remote participation will be required. e. A document on the IARU MS from IARU President VE6SH is expected to be available for comments before Friedrichshafen.	
38.	Agenda 6.k. RAWG	

- a. No report was received. Acting WG chairman PB0AOK suffered from health problems. Peter Frey, HB9MQM, covers representation in CEPT.
- 39. Agenda 6.l. Sponsoring WG
 - a. The report is noted.
- 40. Agenda 6.m. STARS
 - a. The EC noted the report
 - b. Noted that the WG Chairman went over the aims for STARS as suggested by the 2008 GC and that no changes need to be made. Main events: ADP Abidjan (SG ATU participated) and Congo project.
 - c. ON6WQ did not address the comments by the General Conference to make project plans

ITEM 7: EC REPORTS

- 41. Agenda 7.a. President. The report is noted.
- 42. Agenda 7.b. Vice President. The report is noted.
- 43. Agenda 7.c. Secretary. The report is noted.
- 44. Agenda 7.d. Treasurer. The report is noted.
- 45. Agenda 7.e. 9A5W. The report is noted.
 - a. 9A5W received e-mails from Kosovo – information about frequencies. Call sign block has not been allocated to Kosovo. 9A5W will keep in contact. 9A5W
- 46. Agenda 7.d. OD5TE. The report is noted.
 - a. Overview of Region 1 website at general conference – WG chairman OD5TE
- 47. Agenda 7.d. LZ1US. The report is noted.
 - a. ARDF. LZ1US to send an e-mail to the chairman and vice chairman of the WG informing them of the 9-month appointment and the need to appointment chairmen of the jury. The EC decided that proposals for chairmen for the championships need to be made three weeks from now. LZ1US
 - b. HST. The meeting approve the proposal that Oliver be appointed as chairman of the jury for the 2011 HST championship. LZ1US will inform the WG chairman. LZ1US
 - c. GAREC. LZ1US to attend GAREC 2011 on behalf of the EC. LZ1US
 - d. DRM below 80 MHz. Region 1 to monitor this matter. LZ1US
- 48. Agenda 7.d. F6IOC. The report is noted.

ITEM 8: DEVELOPMENT, ARAC'S, ETC.

- 49. The meeting discusses the African and Arab development Plan. This includes the running of the ARAC programme, the ADP programme as well as the introduction and training for emergency communications in the Arab countries. The Region

must influence the support of MS to their regional telecommunications organisations.

ITEM 9: REPORTS FROM IS, R2, R3

- 50. Agenda 9.a. IS Report. The report is noted with thanks.
 - a. IARU Electronic Newsletter – goal to produce 4 times a year. It is an educational device to tell more about the IARU and IARU work.
 - b. IARU web site – updates to the web with regard information over next couple of months.
 - c. ITU Meetings. Co-ordination of meeting is done by the secretariat. New people coming in to attend meetings and are being trained.
 - d. ITU-D (Development). W6ROD attends these meetings. Proposal to updating the handbook for emergency communications. It will be available on the web when completed.
 - e. ITU telecom in October 2011. Space at no cost may not be available to IARU. IARU awaiting an answer on correspondence. Region 1 may be asked to assist in staffing the stand.
- 51. Agenda 9.b. IARU Region 2. The report is noted with thanks.
- 52. Agenda 9.c. IARU Region 3. The report is noted with thanks.

ITEM 10: CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 53. The following dates are discussed:
 - a. ARDF Youth Championships 16 - 19 June
 - b. Hamradio 2011, Friedrichshafen 24 - 26 June
 - c. ARDF WG 2 - 3 July
 - d. IARU Region 3 EC Meeting, Toyko
 - e. PTC 27 - 30 September
 - f. ARDF Championship 5 to 10 September, Baile Felix, Romania
 - g. New EC in Force 30 September 2011, will decide on events beyond
 - h. WGRA 4 - 7 October
 - i. HST Championships 12 - 16 October
 - j. ITU Telecom 24 - 28 October

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ITEM 12: PUBLIC RELATIONS

- 54. Newsletter. The EC will consult the MS about the issue of a newsletter. Look at this following the General Committee.
- 55. Website. The website is dynamic, keeping up to date with technology. The website may need to be updated in a year or two with regard layout, etc. Domain registration and host costs for the web site need to be paid.
- 56. Marko, 9A8MM, is thanked for the good work he is doing on the web site.

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ITEM 13: MEMBER SOCIETY ISSUES

57. Bosnia. Reported in 9A5W's report. No change in the status quo.
58. Egypt. Reported on.
59. Kosovo. Reported on.
60. Rwanda. Documentation has been sent, but no answer.
61. Benin. The IARU application form was sent to the MS.
62. Azerbaijan. No progress
63. Madagascar. No progress

ITEM 14: IARU R1 CONFERENCE 2011

64. 9A5W discusses the report for the arrangements for the general conference at Sun City.
65. Workshops. There are 2 slots. One proposal is from the Stars WG. A second suggestion is for a WRC-12 and Spectrum Management/Defence workshop.
66. Conference Papers. The various papers received for the General Conference are discussed. A number of papers are highlighted which the EC would need to look at.
67. Support requests. The various requests received are discussed and allocations made. The secretary will inform the MS.

ITEM 15: FUTURE EC

68. The EC members indicate their willingness to serve another term of office. 6W1KI, has indicated that he is not available for re-election.

ITEM 16: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

69. None

ITEM 17: CLOSURE

70. Hans, PB2T, expresses his and the meetings thanks to Hani, OD5TE, for the arrangements for the EC meeting in Beirut. The Board of the RAL was thanked at a dinner later the evening.

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