

THE HF REPORT FOR JANUARY 22 -

The big news this week has pleased many hams as the Republic of Kosovo has reinstated its ham radio licensing and is now officially recognized for DX credit. Look for call signs beginning with "Z6". A number are working U.S. stations on 20 and 40 meters tonight.

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COMING UP -

We have the 48 hour CQ 160 Meter Contest in CW for 48 hours this weekend. Exchange is reception report and state or CQ Zone. www.cq160.com/rules.htm

From France, the REF Contest runs in CW for 36 hours. Exchange is reception report and serial number. The French will give us an abbreviation for their Department...similar to a state. www.concours.r-e-f.org

The 24 hour UBA DX Contest in phone mode is on. Exchange for this Belgian contest is reception report and serial number or province if you happen to be in Belgium. These guys are good operators and the contest is always an easy one to make some European contacts.

www.uba.be/en/hf/contest-rules

Montana has its QSO Party. I guess they've got to do something between now and the Super Bowl. Noteworthy, they will be finished in time to sleep in *and* watch the NHL All Star game Sunday afternoon. www.fvarc.org

And Saturday is Kansas Day with a special event station from Olathe put on by the Santa Fe Trail Amateur Radio Club. Look for KS0KS. www.sftarc.org

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