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Mr

Forename:

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Surname:

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Representing:

Organisation

Organisation (if applicable):

Hallam DX Group

Email:

What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:

No

If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:

Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

Additional comments:

Question 1:Do you agree with the proposal to include, as a matter of course, the 470 kHz and 5 MHz bands into the Licence for all Amateur Radio (Full) licensees?:

Yes, I agree with the proposal to include the 470kHz and 5MHz bands in the licence conditions for all Amateur Radio (Full) licensees. I have concerns about the conditions attached to the use of these bands however interference to "electronic equipment" has not previously been included in licence conditions. Cases of interference to electronic equipment are invariably due to insufficient immunity in such equipment - this should be omitted. Similarly, requirements that the licensee must take suitable precautions, particularly in

locations to which people have access, to minimise the risks associated with exposure to Radio Frequency ("RF") radiation. Have not been included previously - this should be omitted.

Question 2: Do you agree that expressly linking a Full (Club) Licensee's authorisation to use the spectrum to his or her representation of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club's call sign remains with the club?:

Agreed

Question 3: Do you agree that Ofcom should include a further ground of revocation in the Licence as proposed above in order better to align Clause 4 with the definition of 'Disqualified Person'?:

Agreed

Question 4: Do you agree that the word 'automatically' should be removed from Clause 4(5) of the Licence, in relation to the revocation of the Licence for failure to comply with the revalidation requirements?:

Agreed

Question 5: Do you agree that Clause 15 of the Licence should be updated to reflect the wording included in Ofcom's General Licence Conditions Booklet?:

Agreed

Question 6: Do you agree that Clause 13 of the Licence should be amended to allow for a simpler, more flexible approach for identifying Amateur Radio stations?:

Agreed - but it should be worded that identification should be using the same form of modulation as the rest of the transmission - not some other form of modulation.

Question 7: Given the current uncertainty amongst Radio Amateur licensees in relation to Clause 2(2), do you believe that it would be a practical solution for Ofcom to remove this Clause and to insert additional wording into Clause 13, as proposed above?:

There is no uncertainty currently. There will be a lot of uncertainty if this is changed both within the UK and Internationally.

Please do not do anything to change the current practice.

Question 8:Do you agree with Ofcom?s proposal to amend Clause 2(3) of the Licence to require Intermediate licensees to transmit a call sign that reflects the location of their main station?:

No. All callsigns should be treated the same when it comes to prefixes. Please do not change this.

Question 9:Do you agree that replacing Clauses 2(1) and 16(1) with a new Clause to simplify and bring together all of the licence conditions relating to the operation of radio equipment away from the Main Station address will make these provisions clearer?:

Agreed.

Question 10:Do you agree that the proposed changes will clarify RAYNET operation under the Licence?:

Agreed.