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EQUIPMENT HANDOUT

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- 2. <u>Questions</u>: When asking or answering questions, the student will stand, give his rank and name and state his question or answer. He will remain standing until acknowledged by the instructor.
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- 4. <u>Noise in class</u>: We cannot tolerate any unauthorized noise in class. If anyone has any comments to make he should raise his hand and the instructor will allow him to address the entire class.
- 5. Equipment handouts: Each student will print his name, rank, serial number, class number and company on the front of his handout. Each student will make certain that he has the handout with him whenever he is scheduled for an equipment class. There is space provided in this book for taking notes. Each student will make certain that these notes are current at all times.

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INTRODUCTION TO RADIO EQUIPMENT

- 1. <u>OBJECTIVES</u>: To give the student an introduction to intercept equipment, outline of course, section SOP and definitions of common terms.
- 2. <u>IMPORTANCE</u>: It is impossible for anyone associated with the field of radio communications to accomplish his job efficiently without an understanding of the equipment used within radio communications. This lesson gives a general description of the basic types of equipment used in the intercept field, thereby preparing the student for the more intense training which will follow.

3. COMMON TERMS AND DEFINITIONS:

<u>Resonant antenna</u>: An antenna cut to a given wavelength so that it will respond best to the corresponding frequency. $\frac{468}{FReq.NNM65} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{A_{00}} A_{N}\hat{I}$, <u>Nonresonant antenna</u>: An antenna cut to no certain frequency so that it will respond to signals in a broad frequency range.

Unidirectional antenna: An antenna that will receive or transmit signals Bi best in one direction. USE'S RESISTOR IN LINE

Terminating resistor: A load resistor connected to the end of an antenna South Sout

Zero beat: The null between two frequencies beating together resulting in complete cancellation of frequency and signal.

<u>Selectivity</u>: The ability of a radio receiver to isolate a signal. <u>Sensitivity</u>: The ability of a radio receiver to amplify weak signals.

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INTRODUCTION TO RADIO EQUIPMENT

| 4. | ABBREVIATI | NS: |
|----|------------|---------------------------|
| | AF | Audio Frequency |
| | AGC | Automatic Gain Control |
| | BFO | Beat Frequency Oscillator |
| | CW | Continuous Wave |
| | FSK | Frequency Shift Keying |
| | HFO | High Frequency Oscillator |
| | IF | Intermediate Frequency |
| | IPS | Inches Per Second |
| | MCW | Modulated Continuous Wave |
| | MGC | Manual Gain Control |
| | OOK | On-OFF Keying |
| | OSC | Oscillator |
| | QRM | Man made Interference |
| | QRN | Natural Interference |
| | RF | Radio Frequency |
| | AN | Phin s |

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ANTENNAS

1. Fixed Antennas:

- a. The <u>vertical tower</u> is used to send and receive vertically polarized signals with high gain because of its height. It is difficult to erect, non-directional, and hard to camouflage.
- b. The <u>beverage antenna</u> is a unidirectional antenna used to receive very low frequency ground waves. It is of extreme length (sometimes several miles) and often resembles a telephone line.Not TERMINATED USUANY VERTICALLY POLIRIZED & UPUE RAIL, USUALLY LOW FREQ
- c. The <u>sloping vee antenna</u> derives its name from its appearance. It does not have as high a signal-to-noise ratio over as wide a frequency range as the rhombic antenna. This antenna is used in mobile and semifixed units and in some field stations.

Full wave - Directionial - Hy-GRIN - TERMINATED Horozonitaly polorized

d. The <u>rhombic antenna</u> is ideal for permanent installations. It is efficient and highly directional over a very broad frequency range. The rhombic is a unidirectional antenna. Each of the rhombic antennas must be spaced at least 600 feet apart, UNITERS USING



ANTENNAS

2. Portable Antennas:

- a. The <u>whip</u> or vertical antenna can be from a few feet to over 100 feet high. It retains popularity because it is easily erected and still provides acceptable reception of signals over a wide frequency range. Usually used for mobile and semifixed operation. A wave ULRICAL followize.
- b. The <u>doublet and double doublet</u> antennas provide satisfactory results for horizontally polarized waves with maximum response in respect to directional properties, broadside to the antenna. The double doublet receives satisfactorily over a broader frequency range than the doublet; however, a doublet cut to a specific frequency is more efficient than the double doublet.



c. The long wire antenna is usually erected in emergencies when no other antenna is available. The longer, in wavelengths, the more sharply bi-directional the antenna becomes. $\frac{468}{F_{REQUENCY IN MG}} = LENGTH OF PAITERINIA IN FIGUR., This is a function of the state of the$ NOTES

CU 52 URR .1 -24 mis CU 168 URR. 2 - 32 mis MULTICOUPLERS

CU-168/FRR

FRONT

BACK

<u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</u>: The Antenna Coupler CU-168/FRR is a piece of equipment that provides means for operating up to five receivers from a single receiving antenna.

BASIC CHARACTERISTICS:

- 1. Power Requirements: 1/5 1/25 230 50 4002. Frequency Range: 2 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 3 - 405
- 3. Number of Outputs:
 - a. To Receivers: /0
 - b. To TANDEM antenna coupler:

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CU-52/URR

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The antenna coupler CU-52/URR is a broadband coupling device designed to permit operation, from a single antenna and with a minimum of interaction, of 1 to 10 radio receivers having unbalanced antenna input circuits or 1 to 5 radio receivers having balanced antenna input circuits.

- Power Requirements: //S-230
 Frequency Range: 2-32MGS
 Number of Outputs: Balancode
- a. Balanced: (/
 - b. Unbalanced:

BLOCK DIAGRAM OF THE R-390/URR

Super-HETROPYNE THERY; BEATING TOGETHER OF JULIKE FREQ., LIKE FREQUENTY CANCILING OUT, LEAVING US WITH A NEW AND LOWER FREQUENCY





GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The Radio Receiver R-390/URR (COLLINS) is a commercial superheterodyne receiver. It has a built-in calibration oscillator which is accurate to within 3/10 of one kilocycle.

Power Requirements: 15/2301 48-62 CPS AC 1.

- 2. Warm-up Period: 15 Minuites.
- 3. Frequency Range: . 5 32 mc. 500 32,000 UC
- 4. Crystal Oscillator: propuces STEppy Tone CUEDA 100 KC

RECEIVERS

R-390/URR

Control Nomenclature.

RECEIVERS

| Control Nomenci | lature. | (Cont) |
|-----------------|---------|--------|
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- 18. PHONE JACK: For Hernset
- 19. CARRIER LEVEL Meter: VISUAL MESUREMENT IN DECIDIES OF RF SIGNAL
- 20. LINE LEVEL Motor: " INDICATION IN OB'S OF VOLUME TO EXCESSORY EQUIT.

JOB SET-UP SHEET R-390/URR

STARTING POSITIONS

| 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. | LIMITER AGC BREAK IN FUNCTION ANT TRIM MEGACYCLE CHANGE KILOCYCLE CHANGE RF GAIN DIAL LOCK | OFF MED OFF AGC O none 10 counterclockwise | 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. | ZERO ADJ LOCAL GAIN BFO BFO PITCH AUDIO RESPONSE LINE GAIN LINE METER BANDWIDTH KC PHONES | Counterclockwise 5 ON 0 MED 0 OFF 8 plugged in |
|--|--|---|---|---|--|
|--|--|---|---|---|--|

RECEIVER CALIBRATION

- 1. Rotate MEGACYCLE CHANGE control to proper band.
- 2. Turn KILCCYCLE CHANGE control to check point nearest desired frequency.
- 3. Place FUNCTION switch in CAL position.
- 4. Place BANDWIDTH KC switch in .1 position.)
- 5. Turn ZERO ADJ to maximum clockwise position.
- 6. Zero-beat tone with KILCCYCLE CHANGE control.
- 7. Place FUNCTION switch in AGC.
- 8. Release ZERO ADJ control, turn counterclockwise.
- 9. Place BANDWIDTH KC in 8 position.

RECEIVER TUNING

1. Tune to approximate frequency of signal.

2. Search for signal with KILCCYCLE CHANGE control.

3. Zero-beat signal with KILCCYCLE CHANGE control.

4. Adjust pitch of signal with BFO PITCH control.

5. Adjust ANT TRIM control for maximum deflection on CARRIER LEVEL meter.

6. Adjust RF and LOCAL GAIN controls for proper volume.

7. Place AGC in SLOW position for hand sent Morse code.

INTERFERENCE - QRM

- 1. Rotate BANDWIDTH KC switch to a narrower position.
- 2. Place AUDIO RESPONSE in SHARP position.
- 3. Readjust BFO PITCH control for maximum volume.
- 4. Readjust RF and LCCAL GAIN controls.

INTERFERENCE - QRN

1. Decrease RF GAIN control.

2. Rotate LIMITER control clockwise until interference is reduced.

3. Experiment with BANDWIDTH KC switch (widen or narrow bandwidth).

SHUT DOWN

1. Temporary:

a. Put volume controls to minimum (0) position.

b. Place all other controls and switches in starting positions.

2. Permanent: Place FUNCTION switch to OFF position.





WERAL DESCRIPTION: The Radio Receiver R-390A/URR is the same as the R-390/URR with the following exceptions. The ANTENNA TRIM has been moved to top center of the receiver. The MED position has been omitted from the AUDIO RESPONSE, and the SQUEICH has been omitted from the FUNCTION switch. This receiver differs from the R-390/URR mainly in the IF filter section. The R-390/URR has an electrically operated crystal filter whereas the R-390A/URR has a mechanical filter and no provision to eliminate it from the IF circuits. Therefore this receiver cannot be used where the phase of a signal is a determining factor in the results obtained. Example: D/F.

- 1. Power Requirements:
- 2. Warm-up Period:
- 3. Frequency Range:

ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT R-389/URR



<u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</u>: The Radio Receiver R-389/URR is a double conversion superheterodyne receiver. The types of signals received are A-1 (CW), A-2 (MCW), A-3 (voice), and F-1 (FSK). The frequency range is from 15 to 1,500 kc (2 ranges). This receiver does not have a calibration system built into the set. The reading has to be taken from the counter-type dial. The calibration error will not be more than 300 cps in the 15 to 500 kc range, and not more than 600 cps in the 500 to 1,500 kc range. The receiver is tuned manually or by motor tuning, with automatic band switching.

- 1. Power Requirements: 115-2301 418-62 eps
- 2. Warm-up Period: 15 min
- 3. Frequency Range: /5-500 Kg

ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT



GENERAL DESCRIPTION: The Radio Receiver R-391/UER is a superheterodyne receiver. It is the same as the R-390/URR with the exception of three controls. The CHANNEL Selector, REMOTE-LOCAL AUTOTUNE, and the LOCKING KEYS. Designed for reception and monitoring of cw, mcw, voice and fsk signals.

- 1. Power Requirements: 110- 220 48-62 cycles
- 2. Warm-up Period: / Smin
- 3. Frequency Range: . OS 3 2 MG 5
- 4. The purpose of the R-391/URR is to copy stations transmitting automatic Morse and radio teleprinter signals which have preset operating frequencies.
- 5. Crystal Oscillator:

ASSOCIATED RICEIVERS & EQUIPMENT R-220/URR



<u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</u>: The Radio Receiver R-220/URR is a superheterodyne receiver. It is designed for the reception and monitoring of AM, FM, and CW signals. It may be rack mounted using power supply PP-660/URR or operated mobile with a 26 volt dynamotor. It has a built-in calibration system used only by the maintenance man. The frequency range of 20 to 230 mc is covered in seven bands.

- 1. Power Requirements: //5-230 //
- 2. Warm-up Period: 15 Min
- 3. Frequency Range: 20-230 MGS.
- 4. Found generally in low level teams of the USASA.
- 5. Many military nets, such as air-to-ground and tank-to-tank nets are presently within the frequency range of this receiver.

Operates From ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT ANDER_20

PP660/URR - 115-232 Accoration T DY 80 TO WORK power Supply (DYNAMITOR With R220 becomes R644 URV2 For Moble WORK

ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT AN/URR-29X Uses R644 Reciever (R220 modified for DC.) USERS IN)

TYPES OF KEYING AND EQUIPMENT UTILIZED

ON OFF KEYING - OOK - COMMON KEYING - (MAKE BREAK!) FREQ. Shift KeyING - FSKI - MARK - Space 100 CPSTO GK & Shift Double FREQ Shift. - MARK - Tone - Space.

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TYPES OF KEYING AND EQUIPMENT UTILIZED CV-305/U



<u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</u>: The Frequency Shift Converter CV-305/U is used to permit frequency shift signals to be copied either by a teletypewriter or by the Code Recorder RD-60/U, whichever would be applicable. Frequency shift transmission is used to overcome interference. The input signals to the CV-305/U are obtained from one or two radio receivers.

| 1. Power Requirements: 105-125 U 50-60 cps |
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| 2. Warm-up Period: <u>Smur</u> |
| 3. Reception: 00F - FSM |
| 4. Indicators: Necessary operations controls |
| S. Frea. Shift RANGE - 100-6000 cycles |
| 12 100-400 cps |
| 23 400 1200 eps |
| 3° 1200-2500 eps |
| 40 2500-4000 ops |
| 40 2500-4000 ops 5 4000 - 6000 cps 21 |

ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT UTILIZED RD-60/U



<u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION:</u> The Code Recorder RD-60/U is an ink tape recorder used to record high speed CW signals.

| 1. | Recording Speed: |
|----|--|
| 2. | Tape Length: 1000 FT |
| 3. | Tape Width: 3/8 INch |
| 4. | Character Size: VARIA614 |
| 5. | Power Requirements: 115-230 V 50-60 cycles Ac |
| | Warm-up Period: 46 Seconds |
| 7. | Pens: (a) Fine Line: I-lich Speed (b) Medium Line: Normal Speed 4-500 Spm (c) Broad Line: For ReTRANS MISSION |

ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT UTILIZED DIVERSITY FUNDAMENTALS

GENERAL DESCRIPTION ? "Diversity" is a term applied to radio receiving systems designed to overcome "fading" in radio communications. The term "fading" commonly refers to variations in received signal strength whereby the sound produced decreases, i.e., "fades out" periodically to such a low level or becomes so distorted that is is hardly usable. The volume may remain at this low level for a time, or it may immediately become loud again, repeating the variation every few seconds. This periodic fading in signal strength is generally a localized condition. It may be found that while the signal has faded out in one location, it might at the same time be strong in a nearby location. Thus, fading may not occur simultaneously at two locations even though they are fairly close together. This characteristics of fading has given rise to what is known as "space diversity reception" whereby two or three antennas widely spaced are used to feed individual receivers, so that at least one of them will always be producing a usable output regardless of the individual strengths. To gain the full advantages of diversity reception, the individual receiver outputs must be connected to circuits which automatically select the output of that receiver producing the best signal at the particular instant, the outputs of the other two receivers being automatically eliminated.

TYPES OF DIVERSITY RECEPTION:

- 1. Frequency Diversity: Some Maffie ON 2 OR Mone FREQUENCYS
- 2. Space Diversity:___

DIVERSITY RECEPTION SYSTEMS:

- Spar 1. Dual Diversity:
 - a. Antennas: 2 0 None TERMINATED Rhombics
 - b. Receivers: 2 R.340 n equivelent
 - c. Frequency Shift Convertor: CV305 To Rp60 A PRINTER

ASSOCIATED RECEIVERS & EQUIPMENT UTILIZED DIVERSITY FUNDAMENTALS

MAGNETIC TAPE RECORDER AN/TNH-5



MAGNETIC TAPE RECORDER AN/TNH-5

<u>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</u>: The AN/TNH-5 is a versatile magnetic tape recorder capable of recording and reproducing at three standard tape speeds using two standard size reels. It can be operated from its case, or installed in either a rack or console.

BASIC CHARACTERISTICS:

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| l. | Power Requirements: 105-125 50 cps |
|-----------|--|
| 2. | Warm-up Period: <u>30 sec</u> |
| 3. | 3 4 72 15 15 Tape Travel and Recording Time: |
| 4. | Tape and Reels: 7"= 1200 ' Tape 10'3 = 2400' Tape |
| 5. | Recording and Reproducing: Mille OR PATCH CORP |
| | NOMENCLATURE : |
| | ON-OFF Switch: |
| | STOP Switch: STOPS TAPE |
| 3. | PIAY Switch: |
| 4. | REWIND Switch: |
| | WIND Switch: |
| 6. | Tape Speed: <u>Selicis</u> |
| | Safety Switch: |
| 8. | Tape Gate: |
| 9. | |
| 9. 10. | EQUALIZATION Switch: CARISPENOS TO TAPE Spilo CONTRol 4 pos. |
| 10. | OUTPUT Jack: |
| | INPUT Jack: CUNNIET MINE OR PATILICOND |
| | |
| | INPUT SELECTOR Switch: MATCH IMPEDENCE TO INPUT |
| 14. | RECORD LEVEL Control: Holune CONTRol FOR RECORDING |
| | EARPHONES Jack; |
| 16. | METER SELECTOR Switch: $2/\rho_{0S}$. |

MAGNETIC TAPE RECORDER AN/TNH-5 (cont)

| 1' | 7• | POWER ON Light: |
|-------|-----------|--|
| 10 | 8. | MONITOR Jack: |
| 19 | 7. | VU METER: |
| 20 |). | RECORD Button: START RECORDING |
| 21 | Le | RECORD INDICATOR: |
| | | OUTPUT "B" Jack: |
| 23 | • | Line Termination: ON When using other Than 600 due impor 000 pT. |
| Jun a | 11 | spell Recorder |
| / 0″۵ | L - | $7^{\prime\prime}$ Reels |
| \$55 | 0 | |

Speed Red 7" 10" Reel 3 3 4 60/120 120 -240 7 5 30/60 60-120 15 15 - 30 30-60

RECEIVERS AND RECORDER-REPRODUCER JOB SHEET R-390/URR & AN/TNH-5

STARTING POSITIONS

- 1. ON-OFF ON
- 2. Tape Gate closed 3. Tape Speed 7불
- 4. PLAYBACK LEVEL 0
- 5. EQUALIZATION
- 7± 6. OUTPUT Jack
- none
- 7. INPUT SELECTOR 600 unbal
- 8. INPUT Jack 9. RECORD LEVEL 0 10. METER SELECTOR RECORD LEVEL 11. LINE TERMINATION ON 12. MONITOR Jack
- 13. EARPHONES Jack

RECEIVER TUNING

- 1. Calibrate receiver.
- 2. Locate signal.
- 3. Zero-beat signal.
- 4. (a) For CW reception (recording) adjust BFO PITCH.
- For voice reception (recording) place BFO switch to OFF. (b)
- 5. Adjust the following for best reception.
 - (a) ANT TRIM for maximum volume.
 - (b) RF GAIN and LOCAL GAIN for comfortable volume.
 - (c) BANDWIDTH for clearest signal.
 (d) AGC (FAST) for voice signals.

 - (e) AUDIO RESPONSE (SHARP) for extremely bad interference on cw signals.

PRELIMINARY RECORDING PROCEDURE

- 1. Unplug headsets from receiver.
- 2. Plug headsets in to EARPHONES jack on recorder.
- 3. Plug other end of INPUT jack connecting cable into PHONES jack of receiver or the audio output jack from rear of receiver.
- 4. Adjust RECORD LEVEL of recorder until meter indicates 100 or 0 vu.

RECORDING

- 1. Depress PLAY and RECORD switches.
- 2. Adjust RECORD LEVEL to 100 on sound peaks.
- 3. Monitor signal with headsets plugged in the EARPHONES jack on recorder.
- 4. To check operation of recorder, place METER SELECTOR switch in the following positions.
 - (a) BIAS meter should read between -1 and +1 vu.
 - (b) ERASE meter should read between -2 and +2 vu.
 - (c) PLAYBACK LEVEL Adjust PLAYBACK LEVEL volume control for comfortable listening level.
 - (d) RECORD LEVEL normal position for recording and monitoring.
- 5. To stop recording depress STOP switch.

connect cable

none

none

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND ITS APPLICATION

<u>GENERAL</u>: Preventive maintenance is the everyday care of equipment to insure its continuous satisfactory operation.

PRINCIPLES OF THE MAINTENANCE SYSTEM.

- 1. Maintenance should be accomplished at the lowest echelon consistent with the nature of the repairs.
- 2. The determining factors of repairs are: authorized spare parts, tools, time and equipment.
- 3. Each echelon will perform the maintenance of the lower echelon not having the necessary spare parts, tools, time or equipment.
- 4. Repairs will be accomplished as soon as possible and the equipment returned to the user.

ECHELONS :

- 1. First Echelon: OPERATOR
- 2. Second Echelon: UNIT MAIN TENANCE
- 3. Third Echelon: Post MainTen Ance
- 4. Fourth Echelon: FIXED FIELD Shop (ARMY AREA)
- 5. Fifth Echelon: Depot

CATEGORIES:

- 1. Orgainzational: 19-2
- 2. Field: <u>3+4</u>
- 3. Depot: 5

BASIC MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS :

- 1. FEEL
- 2. I NSPECT
- 3. TIGHTEN
- 4. CLEPN
- 5. A DJUST
- 6. LUBRICATE