

# 2003 DXPEDITION TO TAONGI ATOLL



**“ISLANDS ON THE AIR”  
(IOTA)**

**IOTA PROGRAM - 1211 “Groups”, 1124  
Activated**

**AFRICA 121  
ANTARCTICA 50  
ASIA 204  
EUROPE 191  
N. AMERICA 248  
OCEANIA 297  
S. AMERICA 100**

**Groups identified by continent abbreviation  
and a number: i.e. AF-065, AS-013, NA-143, etc**

**POSSIBILITIES: MEXICO  
HAWAIIAN ISLANDS  
MARSHALL ISLANDS**

## **FIVE MARSHALL ISLANDS IOTA GROUPS**

**RALIK CHAIN – OC-028**

**RATAK CHAIN – OC-029**

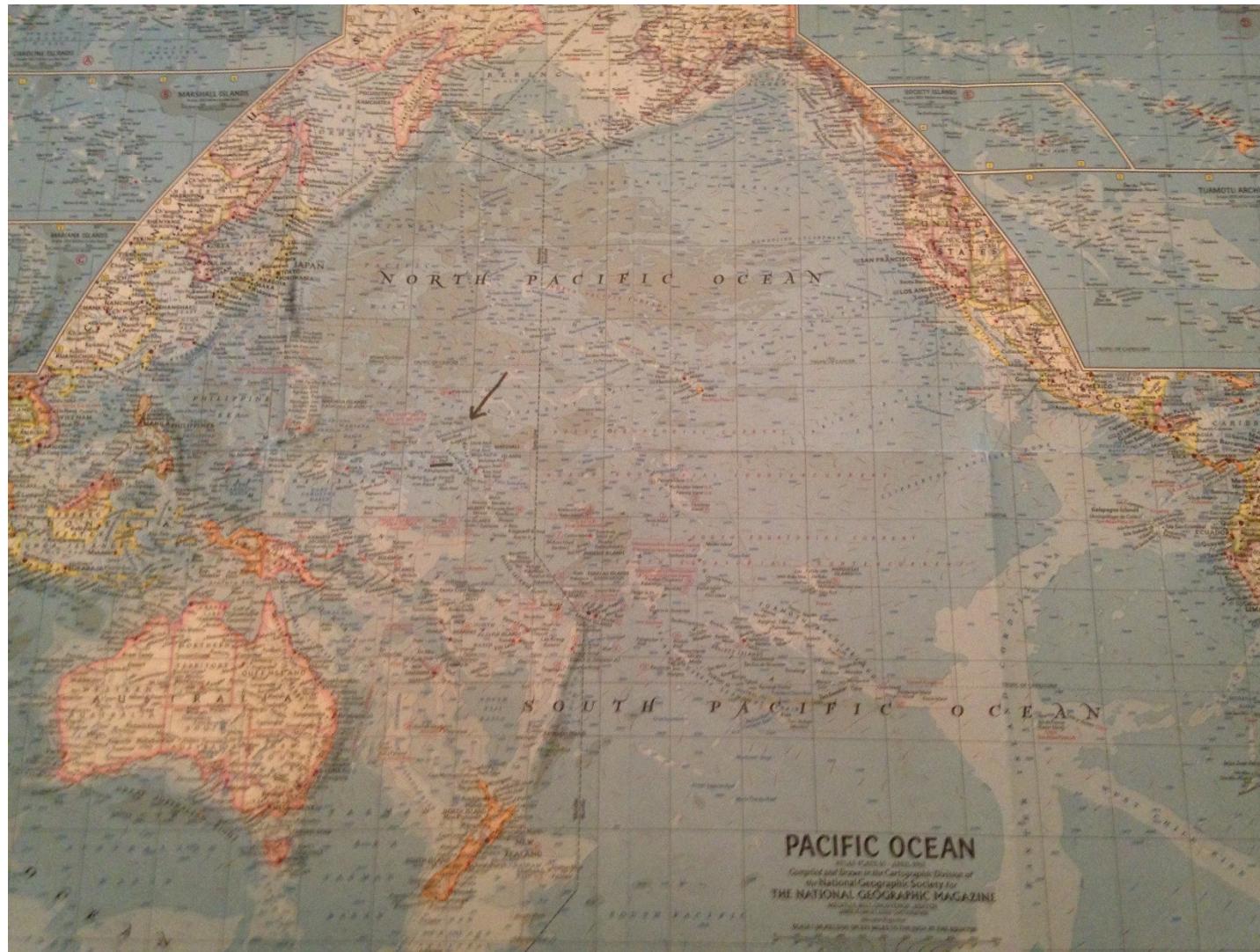
**ENEWETAK ATOLL – OC-087**

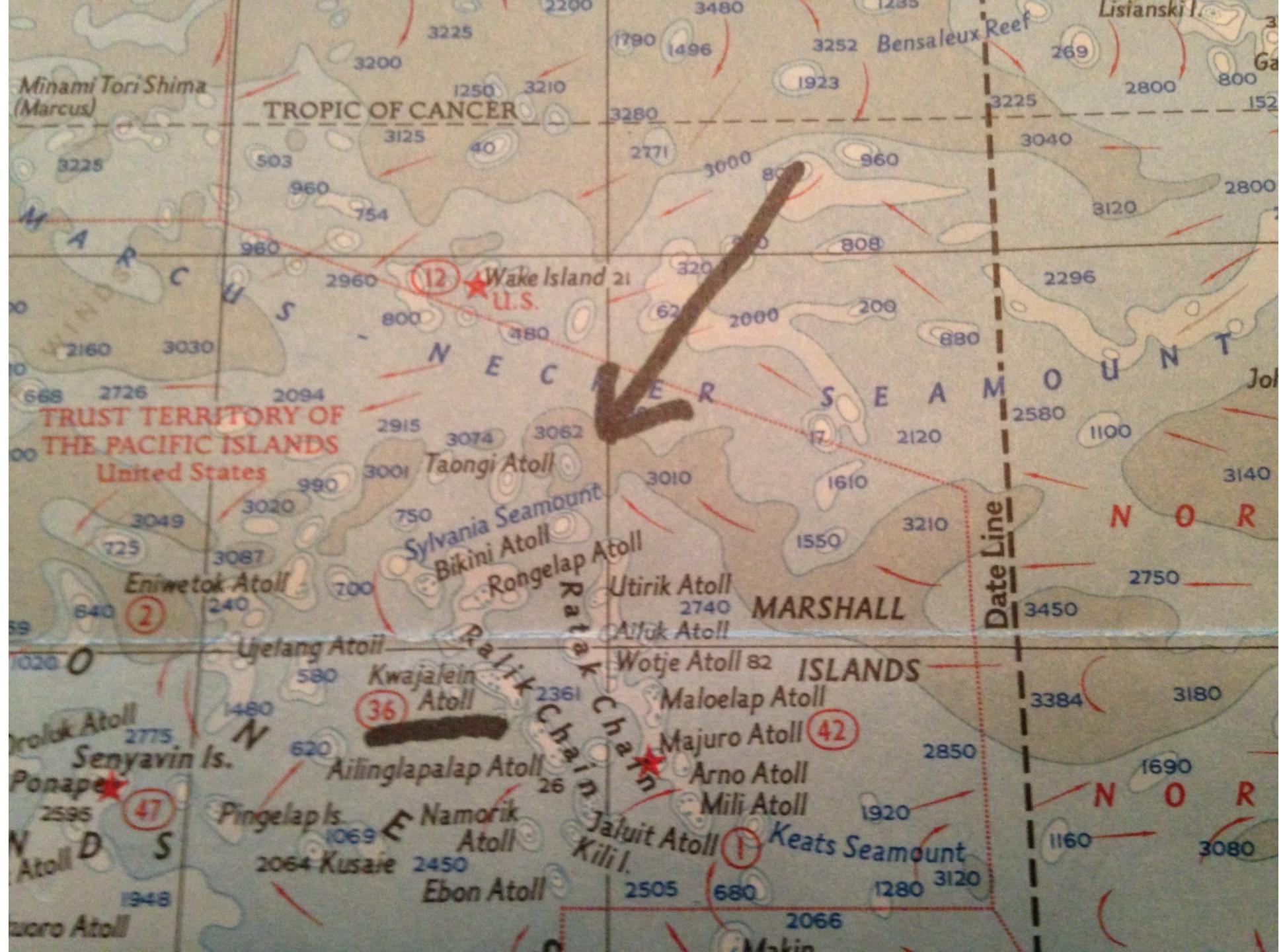
**TAONGI ATOLL – OC-???**

**UJELANG ATOLL – OC-???**

**PAST CHARTERS TO TAONGI**

**BUZZ, N5UR, ON TEAM**





## **TAONGI ATOLL**

- **CENTRAL PACIFIC: lat 14.37 N, long 168.60 E**
- **NORTHERNMOST ATOLL IN MARSHALL ISLANDS**
- **NEAREST LAND: BIKINI ATOLL – 150 MILES SOUTH**
- **FIRST APPEARED ON NAUTICAL MAPS IN 1526**
- **EXTINCT VOLCANO, 34-MILE REEF, TEN ISLANDS**
- **UNINHABITED BY HUMANS, NO MAN-MADE STRUCTURES, VERY DIFFICULT ACCESS**
- **NO BOAT ANCHORAGES OUTSIDE REEF**

## **PREPARATIONS**

- **MUCH LIKE ARRL “FIELD DAY”**
- **TAKE ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING NEEDED**
- **MARSHALL ISLANDS LICENSE – V73**
- **APPROVAL TO LAND AND OPERATE ON TAONGI**
- **ACCESS TO KWAJALEIN TO CATCH CHARTER**



# REQUEST TO VISIT U.S. ARMY KWAJALEIN ATOLL

(This form is affected by the Privacy Act of 1974)

## PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The information requested herein is solicited under the authority of 10 USC 3612. The purpose is to permit determination whether entry authorization to visit USAKA may be granted under applicable law and regulation. The information will be used by the Commander, USAKA, and his staff in evaluating a request to visit USAKA. In addition, the information may be disclosed to any element of the DOD which may be concerned with approval, disapproval, or revocation of entry authorizations. The information may be disclosed to the Justice Department if it appears that the furnished information may be false and may constitute a violation of federal law. Disclosure of the information is not mandatory, but failure to do so will result in delay in processing and may result in denial.

FROM (Sponsor): Talbot, George Arthur	K-BADGE #KD0076	THRU (Company): AEROMET	TO: Commander, USAKA
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(1) In accordance with USAKA Regulation 210-10, I request the following named individual(s) be authorized to visit USAKA for the period of 14-Aug-03 to 27-Aug-03. I certify that no medical problems exist that require extraordinary care. I understand that I am responsible for any medical or other financial liabilities incurred at USAKA.

VISITOR PERSONAL DATA					
NAME(Last, First M.I.)	Social Security	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Citizenship	Relationship to Sponsor
1. Jehle, Allen Emmett "Buzz"	238-58-7415	11-Mar-85	St. Louis, MO	USA	Friend
2. McCully, John B	353-28-4487	18-Jun-37	Oak Park, IL	USA	Friend
3.					
Sponsor Quarters: Carrel 307 Phone: (W) 5-1588 (B) 5-3142	Visitor Quarters at USAKA: Kwaj Lodge	The visitor has my permission to reside at my residence. (Required only if different than sponsor)			TRAVEL VIA: <input type="checkbox"/> Airplane <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continental <input type="checkbox"/> Auto <input type="checkbox"/> At-Sea <input type="checkbox"/> Boat
		Resident's Printed Name if other than Sponsor			
		Resident's Signature if other than Sponsor			

(2) REMARKS: John and Buzz will be traveling to Tiaongi departing Saturday 16 August and returning Sunday 24 August. They will be traveling by a Chartered Boat.

On 16-08-03

At 1300

(3) I understand that I am responsible for the conduct and locally incurred debts of the above named visitor.

George Arthur Talbot

Sponsor's Printed Name

Talbot GAT  
Sponsor's Signature

(4) This request has been reviewed by the sponsor's employer. Approval  is  is not recommended.

Anette Barnhill

HRO Representative's Printed Name

Anette Barnhill  
HRO Representative's Signature

## AUTHORITY TO VISIT USAKA

TO:	FROM: Commander, USAKA	ENTRY / EXIT APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL
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Request is APPROVED/DISAPPROVED for the period indicated above.

<p>RECEIVED</p> <p>Signature of Commander or Designated Representative</p> <p>REMARKS: <u>John B. Jehle</u></p> <p>DATE: <u>16 AUG 03</u></p> <p>ENTRY/EXIT</p>	<p>APPROVED</p> <p>JUL 1 2003</p> <p>Kwajalein Police Dept. US Army KWAJ JUNY ALDER</p>
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**REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**



**AMATEUR STATION LICENSE No. 250**

In pursuance of the authority conferred upon the Secretary of Transportation and Communications by the Radio communications Act 1993 a license is granted to : **JOHN McCOLLY**  
to establish a amateur station and open the said station in accordance with the particulars of the schedule here to.  
The installation and operation of the said station shall be carried out in accordance with, and this license shall be subject to, the said Act and Regulations made there under and such amendments and additions thereto as made from time to time.

Date of issue : 08/14/2003  
Valid from : 08/14/2003  
Until : 08/14/2004

Issued by authority of Secretary

*Canaryland*

**SCHEDULE**

Callsign : **V73T**

Location of Station : **TANGI ISLANDS / RMI**

Assigned Frequency Bands	Maximum Tx Power	Bandwidth/ Emission	Assigned Frequency Bands	Maximum Tx Power	Bandwidth
1800.000 - 2000.000 KHZ	1000W	3.0K ALL	3500.000 - 3900.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL
7000.000 - 7100.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL	10100.000 - 10150.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL
14000.000 - 14350.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL	18068.000 - 18158.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL
21000.000 - 21450.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL	24890.000 - 24990.000 KHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL
28.000 - 29.700 MHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL	50.000 - 54.000 MHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL
144.000 - 148.000 MHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL	430.000 - 450.000 MHZ	1000W	6.0K ALL

The following Frequency Band above 1 GHz are also authorized (in GHz) :  
1.24 - 1.3, 2.3 - 2.45, 3.3 - 3.5, 5.63 - 5.85, 10 - 10.5, 24 - 24.25, 47 - 47.2, 75.5 - 81, 144 - 149, 248 - 250

permitted type of Emission for bands above 1 GHz  
and where stated ALL in frequency list above : NON, A1A, A2A, A2B, A3C, A3E, A3F, C3F, F1A,  
F1B, F2A, F2B, F3C, F3E, F3F, H3E, K1A, K2A,  
K3E, L2A, L3E, M2A, M3E, PON, R3E

Special Conditions :



**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS**  
**REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**  
RMI Liaison Office USAKA  
P O Box 1748 APO AP 96555

August 12, 2003

Mr. John B. McCollly  
20116 W Lake Parkway  
Georgetown, Texas 78628

Dear Mr. McCollly:

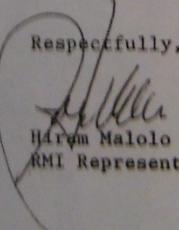
Your request to visit Taongi Atoll (also known as Bokkak in the traditional Marshallese language) and conduct HAM radio operations has been received and approved by the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) Government.

In accordance with the Marshallese custom, Iroij Hermoios, who is the legal landowner, has been contacted and has authorized your visit to Taongi between August 16 - 24 and fully supports your radio activities in support of the Islands On the Air (IOTA) program. Mr. Charle Dominick, owner of the vessel IOn Meto, will act as Charter Operator and has been cleared to transport your party and all associated equipment to/from Taongi. No problems are expected as Mr. Dominick is an experienced and competent charter boat owner and has been to Taongi on several occasions..

Taongi is a beautiful and pristine, but is also one of the most remote sites in the world. We advise you to take special care to insure your safety as the potential for rescue and emergency care could be days away. In addition, at the conclusion of your IOTA activities on Taongi, you are requested to remove all equipment and evidence of your activities as Taongi has been designated as a Marine and Bird Sanctuary.

Thank you for your visit to the Marshall Islands.

Respectfully,

  
Hiram Malolo  
RMI Representative to USAKA

## **OPERATING EQUIPMENT**

- **YAESU FT-100, KENWOOD TS-450 TRANSCEIVERS**
- **MFJ-4245MV, ALINCO DM-330MV POWER SUPPLIES**
- **MFJ MEMORY KEYER + HAND KEY**
- **FORCE 12 SIGMA XK-40 VERTICAL (40-10)**
- **STEPPIR 40-6 SWITCHABLE VERTICAL**
- **HONDA 1000i 1-KW GENERATOR**
- **RG8/RG-58 COAX FEEDLINES**



WELCOME TO  
**U.S. ARMY KWAJALEIN ATOLL**  
A COMMUNITY OF EXCELLENCE  
**JERRY P. BROWN, COLONEL, U.S. ARMY, COMMANDING**

Restricted Area  
Arriving  
Passengers Only

WARNING:  
Unauthorized individuals are prohibited from entering or remaining on the property of the United States Government. Any individual found on the property of the United States Government without proper identification and/or authority to be there, will be subject to arrest and prosecution under applicable law.  
ROBBERY - REASON  
Any individual who commits robbery or other violent felonies against another individual or property on the property of the United States Government will be subject to arrest and prosecution under applicable law.











Ten - Ten  
Store

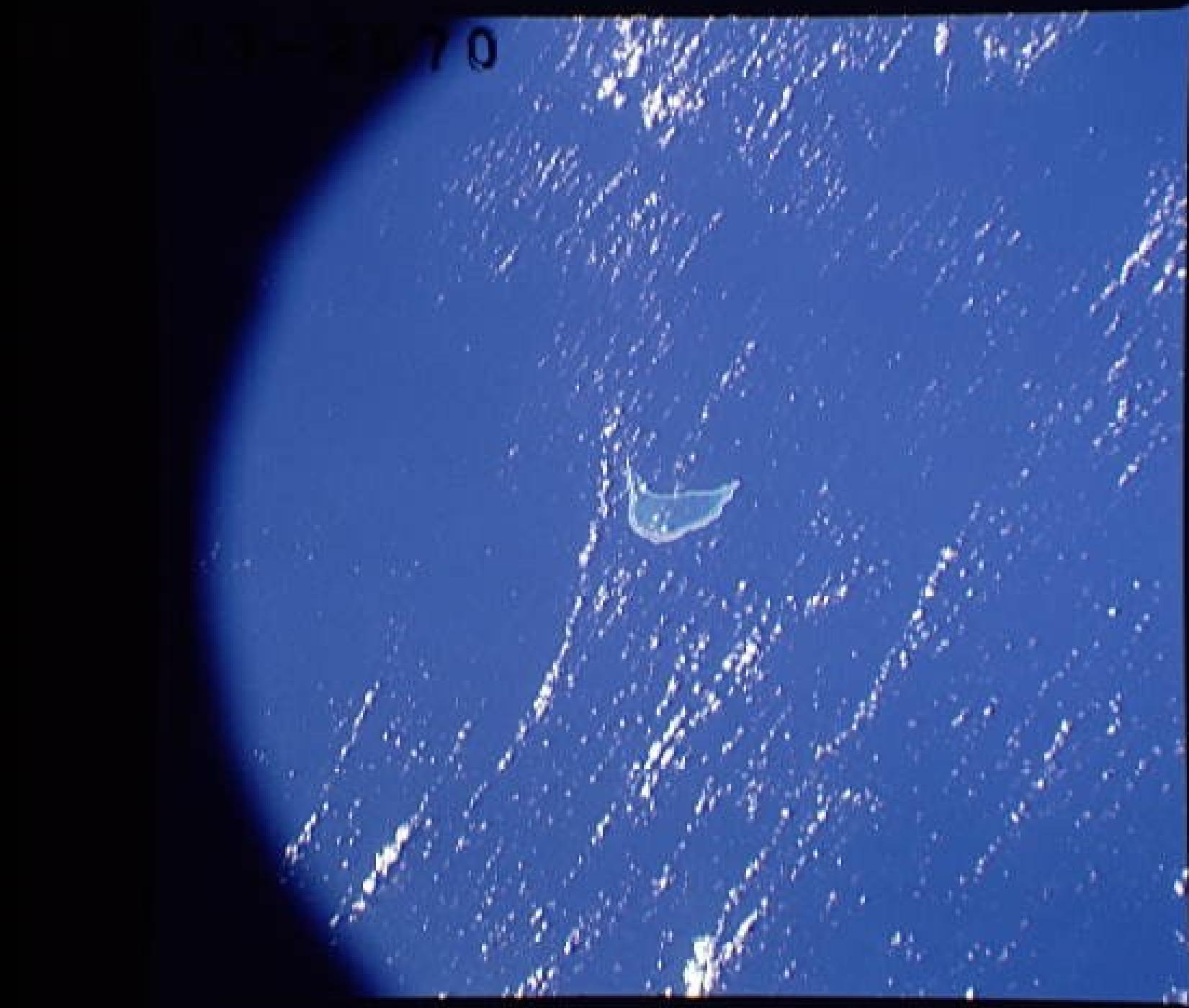
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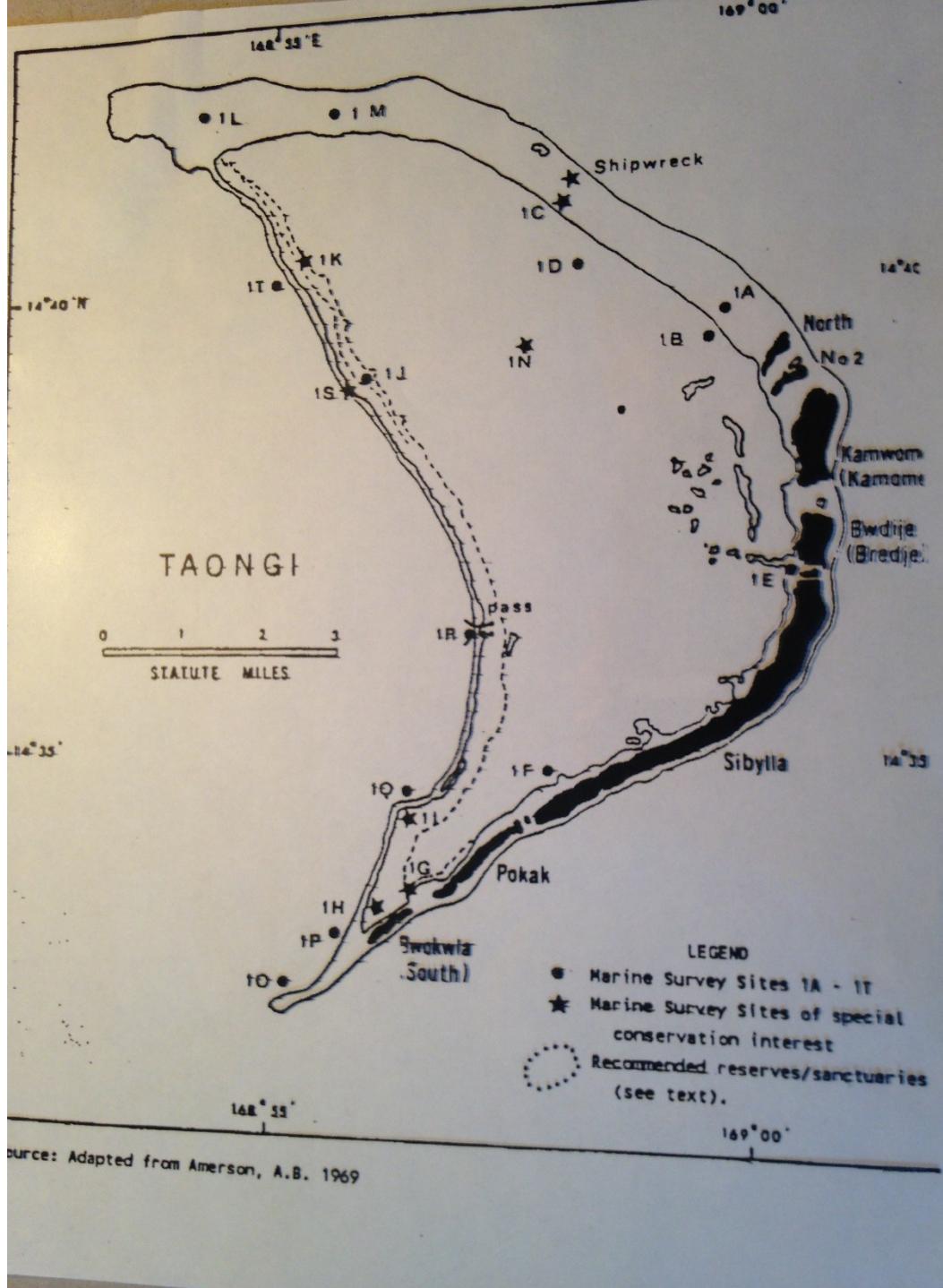
Weekdays - Weekends & Holidays

10:00am - 8:00pm



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To whom it may concern:

On August 18, 2003 the MS Tomioka (Majuro M) arrived at Taongi Atoll MH from Kwajalein after a 36 hour journey. Messrs. Jehle and McColly were tendered to Taongi until the 21<sup>st</sup> for amateur radio operation. I operated under authority of Iriij Remeis Hermus, of Majuro. We departed Taongi on August 21<sup>st</sup> for the return trip to Kwajalein.

Signed  
Ralph Rafael

Captain Rafael Randolph

Charter Operator Dennis Baker

Dennis Baker  
P.O. Box 2226  
APO A.P. 96555  
E-mail cdbaker1@hotmail.com

## OPERATING STATISTICS

74 countries

2587 QSOs on all continents except Antarctica

1087 Asia, 793 Europe, 598 NA, 63 Oceania, 44 SA and 2  
Africa

1656 (64%) on CW, 931 (36%) on SSB

450 on 30 meters, 1182 on 20 meters and 955 on 15 meters

927 Japan, 533 USA and 268 Russian

