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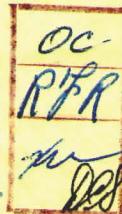
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LORAN-C FREQUENCY PROBLEMS IN EUROPE

An informal agreement to be subsequently documented in accordance with the existing International Telecommunication Union Regulations, 1959, may be reached that will permit the Estarit, Spain and Sylt, Germany LORAN-C Stations to operate in the allowed 90-110 kc/s band.

Meetings have been held with various European Administrations, of special significance were those with the United Kingdom, to move present existing operations in the band 90-110 kc/s, to other spectral regions to free this band for the proper operation of LORAN-C. The discussions with the United Kingdom, while under the guise of frequency interference matters, were primarily of political and economic import affecting the operation of existing and possible future Decca electronic navigation system stations. Once it was proven to the United Kingdom that LORAN-C - Decca mutual problems could be eliminated, and that, in fact, LORAN-C was not displacing Decca, the frequency interference problems were determined to be resolvable.

It is hoped that formal agreement to these preliminary negotiations by all the countries involved may be reached in Geneva on or about 3 October 1962.

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