NOTICES.

No. 717.—The following regulations, superseding those published in Government Notification No. 400 of 1st May, 1927, by the British Naval Commander-in-Chief, regarding the use of W/T by warships, other than British, at Hong Kong are published for information:—

Men-of-war other than British may use their W/T apparatus whilst visiting Hong Kong, but are required to observe the following regulations:—

(a) Ships are requested to confine transmission to the following bands contained in the mobile bands as laid down by the International Telecommunication Convention (Madrid, 1932):—

kc/s.	metres.
12400/12800	23.44/24.19
11050/11150	26.91/27.15
6400/6500	46.15/46.88
5550/5650	53.10/54.05
428/460	652/700
120/125	2400/2500

Under exceptional circumstances permission may be given by the Senior Naval Officer for the use of any particular frequency outside the above bands, but normally this permission will only be given for use between 0000 and 0600, Hong Kong time.

- (b) Transmission may take place on 500 kc/s (600 metres) only in case of distress or great urgency or for communication direct with Cape d'Aguilar (VPS).
- (c) Pure continuous wave should be used where possible, and a band spread consistent with "tolerances" as laid down by the afore-mentioned Convention. To avoid interference by "drifting" or overlapping, the use of the extremities of bands should be avoided.
- (d) It is requested that operators may discontinue transmitting upon receipt of the signal "AS" (wait) from Cape d'Aguilar (VPS) or Stonecutters (GYP and GZO via VPS) and not recommence until the signal "K" (go on) has been received. Ships should stop transmitting at intervals of not more than ten minutes and listen in on 500 kc/s (600 metres) to ascertain whether they are being asked to stop transmitting.
- (e) Ships in harbour are requested not to use receivers which oscillate into the aerial circuit.

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