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Objet:	Disqualification of your 2016 CQWW SSB entry
Indicateur de suivi:	Assurer un suivi
État de l'indicateur:	Avec indicateur

I am writing to inform you that the 3V8SS entry in the 2016 CQ WW DX SSB Contest is being **DISQUALIFIED** for use of self-spotting.

Under Section IX, General Rules for All Entrants < <u>http://www.cqww.com/rules.htm</u> > 4. Self-spotting or asking to be spotted is <u>not</u> permitted.

Based on our analysis, we see spots for you that must have come from someone within the station or working with direct information about your operation.

Generally, self-spotting occurs (i) soon after you start a new frequency, or (ii) when the QSO rate slows down. This clearly shows that the spots were done to help the score.

The station has used DX Cluster for Self-spotting and/or asked to be spotted and/or arranged contacts during the contest period not using the mode and frequencies of the contest.

BEGIN FILE ANALYSIS

Spots from DXSummit:

HB9EOU-@	3686	3V8SS 00:40 29 Oct 16	tnx Gl
F5PUT-@	7060	3V8SS 02:39 29 Oct 16	
F3HU-@	1895	3V8SS 04:38 29 Oct 16	faible
LX1EE-@	7089	3V8SS 00:55 30 Oct 16	
HB9CVC-@	1837	3V8SS 03:32 30 Oct 16	
HB9EOU-@	7053	3V8SS 04:05 30 Oct 16	Go GO ASH !!!
HB9EOU-@	3697	3V8SS 18:36 30 Oct 16	
F4HJ D-@	14182	3V8SS 19:24 30 Oct 16	CQWWDX

There are three spots "made" by KF5EYY (Ash, op. 3V8SS).

KF5EYY: 1834.0 HB9EOU 0330Z

KF5EYY: 7101.0 HB9EOU 0447Z

KF5EYY: 21260.0 HB9EOU 1344Z

At 0447 both are on 40m, but 3V8SS has his own run on 7053, HB9EOU is starting his run. At 1344z 3V8SS is on 14270 running good, HB9EOU changes band from 20m, to 15m. 3V8SS is the spotter and in communication with HB9EOU. Sending spots although claiming non assisted.

The spots came from IP number 196.176.13.62, Tunisian number of a mobile 3G/4G provider.

HB9EOU and 3V8SS QSO on 160m:

Reviewing the CQWW SDR audio file, the audio, which ends at 032946. At 032624 HB9EOU stops calling CQ on 1834.4, just lower of him is UW1M. 30 seconds later he calls UW1M, but no QSO. At 032751 3V8SS starts giving his call on 1834.4 at 032830 HB9EOU starts calling 3V8SS (he is not hearing him, they are transmitting at the same time), also 3V8SS does not hear, says again HB9EOU calls out time synchronization, somehow QSO completes. They knew how to find each other – communication by other means.

Spot that happen at bandchange:

 QSO:
 3676 PH 2016-10-29 0432 3V8SS
 59 33 DL1WA
 59 14 0

 QSO:
 1895 PH 2016-10-29 0439 3V8SS
 59 33 OE8HAQ
 59 15 0

 QSO:
 1895 PH 2016-10-29 0439 3V8SS
 59 33 HA3DX
 59 15 0

F3HU-@ 1895 3V8SS 04:38 29 Oct 16

F3HU spot came from IP 79.141.163.75 which is a number from Netherlands.

Activity stimulator spot:

QSO:	7089	PH	2016-10-30	0048	3V8SS	59	33	DG2NMH	59	14	0
QSO:	7089	PH	2016-10-30	0053	3V8SS	59	33	NP3U	59	08	0
QSO:	7089	PH	2016-10-30	0053	3V8SS	59	33	F5BEG	59	14	0
QSO:	7089	PH	2016-10-30	0054	3V8SS	59	33	OK1HFP	59	15	0
QSO:	7089	PH	2016-10-30	0056	3V8SS	59	33	OK7O	59	15	0

LX1EE-@ 7089 3V8SS 00:55 30 Oct 16

Slow minutes around 0050, no QSO minute 0055.

LX1EE spot came 95.141.29.53, number from Netherlands, but host name is in Luxembourg.

Host : <u>luxembourg-s01-i01.cg-dialup.net</u> OK

Country : Netherlands

Both numbers are part of Kaia Global Networks, so they can also show as France IP.

LX1NO is manager of 3V8SS.

Spot at band change:

QSO:	3657 PH 2016-10-30	0324 3V8SS	59 33	F6FTB	59 14	0
QSO:	1834 PH 2016-10-30	0328 3V8SS	59 33	HB9EOU	59 14	0
QSO:	1837 PH 2016-10-30	0331 3V8SS	59 33	1050	59 15	0

HB9CVC-@ 1837 3V8SS 03:32 30 Oct 16

After the QSO with HB9EOU (band change from 80m) who is calling CQ on 1834kHz. Later spot few kHz away, starting 3V8SS a small run.

Other spots are not used directly at band changes, classic slow minutes when a boost (spot) is needed:

HB9EOU-@ 3686 3V8SS 00:40 29 Oct 16 tnx Gl

HB9EOU finds him (although his S&P moving rate is quite fast the minute before finding him, later he moves slower).

QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0355	3V8SS	59	33	EA5DNO	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0357	3V8SS	59	33	PD2RF	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0359	3V8SS	59	33	SW3JH	59	20	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0402	3V8SS	59	33	DF3DY	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0404	3V8SS	59	33	PD7RF	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0405	3V8SS	59	33	F6HMQ	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0405	3V8SS	59	33	DM4MN	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0406	3V8SS	59	33	PS2T	59	11	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0406	3V8SS	59	33	R4RE	59	16	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0406	3V8SS	59	33	MD2C	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0406	3V8SS	59	33	EA3CI	59	14	0
QSO:	7053	PH	2016-10-30	0406	3V8SS	59	33	CR6K	59	14	0

HB9EOU-@ 7053 3V8SS 04:05 30 Oct 16 Go GO ASH !!!

HB9EOU is on 80m running and no appearance to run two radios. 3V8SS has slow minutes and a spot is needed.

QSO:	3697	PH	2016-10-30	1829	3V8SS	59	33	ISOXDA	59	15	0
QSO:	3697	PH	2016-10-30	1837	3V8SS	59	33	YR8D	59	20	0
QSO:	3697	PH	2016-10-30	1838	3V8SS	59	33	OE2DXP	59	15	0

HB9EOU-@ 3697 3V8SS 18:36 30 Oct 16

HB9EOU is running a pretty good rate on 3758. It does not seem to run a second VFO. 3V8SS leaves the FRQ for a QSY on 160m returns and still no QSOs.

Spots are from <u>178.197.232.21</u>:

Host : 21.232.197.178.dynamic.wless.lssmb00p-cgnat.res.cust.swisscom.ch

Country : Switzerland

HB9EOU is using multiple calls (also to spot himself), those are from Switzerland, but the behavior of the spots says both operators communicate when to send the spots.

Activity stimulator needed:

QSO:	1876 PH 2016-10-29	0227 3V8SS	59	33	S51A	59	15	0
QSO:	7060 PH 2016-10-29	0232 3V8SS	59	33	PI4M	59	14	0
QSO:	7060 PH 2016-10-29	0234 3V8SS	59	33	LY5W	59	15	0
QSO:	7060 PH 2016-10-29	0238 3V8SS	59	33	EA1HTF	59	14	0
QSO:	7060 PH 2016-10-29	0239 3V8SS	59	33	ON3GEO	59	14	0
QSO:	7060 PH 2016-10-29	0240 3V8SS	59	33	EI7M	59	14	0
QSO:	7060 PH 2016-10-29	0240 3V8SS	59	33	HGOR	59	15	0

F5PUT-@ 7060 3V8SS 02:39 29 Oct 16

F5PUT came out of Tunisia: 196.176.29.71

QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	KF20	59	05	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	SZ1A	59	20	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	LZ2FL	59	20	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	IK4PKN	59	15	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1924	3V8SS	59	33	N2MM	59	05	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1924	3V8SS	59	33	EA1AT	59	14	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1925	3V8SS	59	33	K2GAV	59	05	0

F4HJ D-@ 14182 3V8SS 19:24 30 Oct 16 CQWWDX

"F4HJ D" came from Tunisia: 197.0.251.101

There is a second source of suspect spots of 3V8SS. Those are done on the telnet cluster from two different IP addresses in Tunisia. Three spots, one is at band change, both calls were "not active" in the contest.

At bandchange:

QSO: 7091 PH 2016-10-30 2044 3V8SS 59 33 IU6EPI 59 15 0 QSO: 1894 PH 2016-10-30 2057 3V8SS 59 33 I0/S53R 59 15 0

KG5OUE 1894 3V8SS 20:56 30 Oct 16 CQ WW DX

Activity stimulator:

QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1917	3V8SS	59	33	9A6RMI	59	15	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1917	3V8SS	59	33	YO3JW	59	20	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1919	3V8SS	59	33	IK30YY	59	15	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1921	3V8SS	59	33	IW2IBG	59	15	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1922	3V8SS	59	33	EO25F	59	16	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	IW1RHR	59	15	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	KF20	59	05	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	SZ1A	59	20	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	LZ2FL	59	20	0
QSO:	14182	PH	2016-10-30	1923	3V8SS	59	33	IK4PKN	59	15	0

KG5OUE 14182 3V8SS 19:21 30 Oct 16 CQWWDX

3V8CB 14182 3V8SS 19:27 30 Oct 16 CQWWDX

KG5OUE is USA call of 3V8CB, member of ARAT EC.

The same IP shows up also at 3V8CB and KG5OUE spots through telnet: 197.0.251.101

For KG5OUE there is a second IP number, but same ISP: 197.2.86.149

The firm is a DSL internet provider (IP number change at DSL reconnect).

All used calls are connected, the actual person know each other: HB9EOU, HB9CVC, F5PUT, F4HJD. EC members of ARAT.

See: http://3830scores.com/showrumor.php?arg=nLaJzJgfqsciu

(They operated IOTA Contest 2016 together as 3V8SM.)

http://amateurradiointunisia.org/?page_id=95

Considering the spots at band changes I am pretty confident that KG5OUE, 3V8CB and »F4HJ D« are the same person and those are 3V8SS himself. If not him, then with 100% certainty it is someone inside the station.

The second IP used (3G/4G provider), with the call sign KF5EYY is quite sure proof it is KF5EYY himself, from operating QSOs with HB9EOU and coordinated spotting .

Spots that came from Luxembourg, with two calls (F3HU and LX1EE) can be explained as the QSL manager of 3V8SS is LX1NO. No activity of those stations in the contest, so there is a high probability that the 3V8SS op was in communication with his QSL manager.

END FILE ANALYSIS

You have five days to appeal the disqualification and provide any information about your entry. After that time the decision is final.

Your entry is disqualified only for the 2016 SSB contest. You will be welcome to submit an entry in the CQWW Contest in 2017.

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On behalf of the CQWW Contest Committee

Bob, W5OV; Doug, KR2Q; Scott, W4PA