

## **NAVAREA COORDINATOR Report**

### **a) Implementation of GMDSS in the MBS.**

Within NAVAREA III region there are 24 operational NAVTEX stations broadcasting in 518KHz. (International Service) (18 of these stations are in the Mediterranean Sea, 6 in the Black Sea).

### **b) MSI in Navarea III.**

Radio Navigational Warnings within NAVAREA III region are sent from the Spanish Hydrographic Institute to (LES) Burum Land Earth Station (LES), in The Netherlands using a TCP/IP (Internet) connection and a Telnet Terminal.

From Burum those messages are sent to AOR-E SafetyNet Satellite for broadcasting over the whole region.

Broadcasting times: 1200Z, 2400Z (AOR-E). Satellite Service Provider: Stratos Mobile.

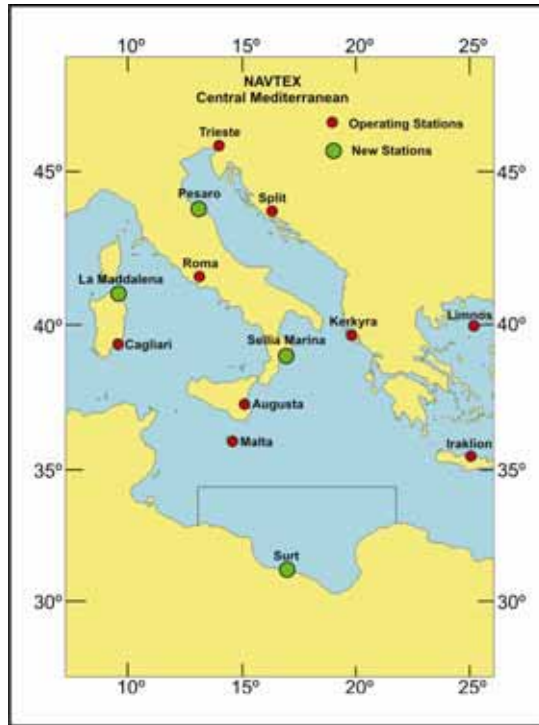
Meteorological information: Submitted by METAREA III Coordinator (Greece).

### **c) Promulgation of Radio navigational warnings within the Navarea III area. Status of Navtex Service.**

556 NAVAREA Warnings were broadcasted during the period of time covered by this report.

**Italy** is working in order to accomplish the plan agreed in Monaco, January 2006, establishing their new NAVTEX stations in the new locations:Pessaro, La Maddalena and Calabria. After completion these new stations will substitute the existing ones in Rome, Augusta, Cagliari and Trieste.

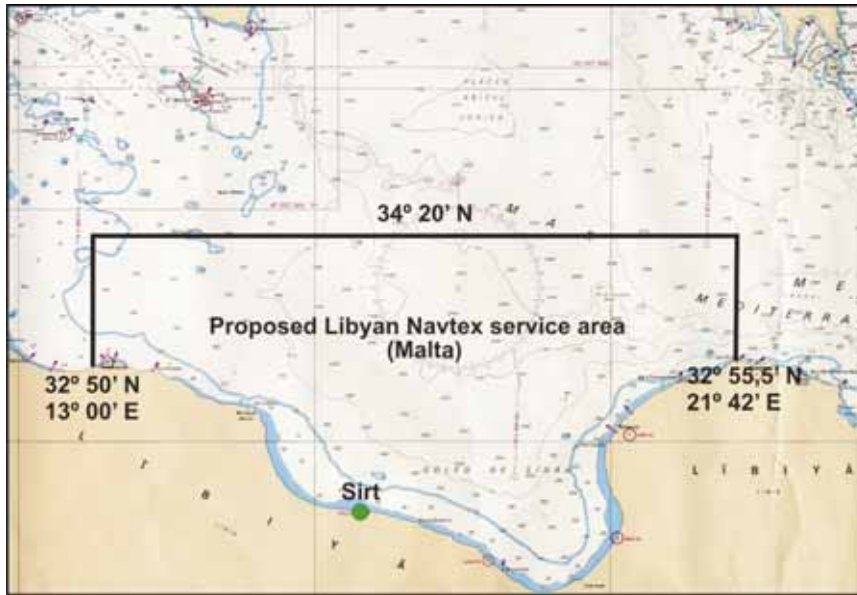
The completion of the works has been foreseen for the first semester of 2010. Meanwhile the four existing stations (Rome, Augusta, Cagliari and Trieste) remain operational.



Current and future NAVTEX Stations  
Central Mediterranean Sea

**Tunisia** is still waiting for an available B1 Character before they can set their new Station in the Cape Bon region as fully operational. They have already accomplished transmission trails.

**Libya** is accomplishing an excellent work in order to establish a new station in Surt (Gulf of Sirte). Upon reception of the responses to the first proposal circulated in June 2008, listing the limits of the service area for this new station, a second proposal was circulated in May 2009. We are currently awaiting approval of this proposal by the relevant nations as a preliminary step before the new station enters into operational status.



#### **d) Implementation of a New Sub-area in the Black sea.**

Following Agenda Item 3.2 of CPRNW-8 and Agenda Item 5.2 of CPRNW-9, NAVAREA III Co-ordinator was asked to investigate the possibility of the Black Sea becoming a sub-area within NAVAREA III.

During the Navigation Safety in the Black and Azov Seas Working Group (BASWG-8) meeting held in Kiev (Ukraine) in March 2008, four countries supported the Russian proposal which were Georgia, Romania, the Russian Federation and Turkey, and one country, Ukraine, was against it.

Turkey, having volunteered to become Sub-area Co-ordinator, was invited to attend CPRNW-10 and to bring forward enough information in order to show that they are well prepared and ready to take that role in the new Sub-area to be created in the Black Sea if a final agreement is reached in this sense.

After listening to Turkey presentation, under item 3.4.5 on the Agenda of CPRNW-10, NAVAREA III Co-ordinator was tasked to request once more the approval of the bordering countries of the Black Sea on this issue before any further action is taken by CPRNW Chair.

During the last meeting of the BASWG held in Constanza, Romania, in April 2009 (BASWG-9), attendees to the meeting were requested again by the representative of NAVAREA III Co-ordinator to express once more their position on this issue. Turkey of course supports the proposal, Romania said that they need more time to reach a final position given that there are several departments involved and the decision will take some more time. They are reconsidering their previous support and perhaps they change their mind given that it is their feeling that Spain is doing its job properly and there is no need to change the current situation. Bulgaria said that it was the first time they knew about this issue and that they need more technical details before a decision

is taken in their country. Ukraine continued with their position against this proposal. The Russian Federation and Georgia did not attend the meeting although they supported the proposal in the previous BASWG meeting.

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