

(b) *if the station calling is a mobile station:*

it means that the wave to be used for traffic is to be chosen by the station called.

(4) *Indication of the number of telegrams or of transmission in series, if necessary*

When the station calling has more than one telegram to transmit to the station called, the above mentioned preparatory signals are followed by the service abbreviation and figure giving the number of telegrams.

In addition, when the station calling wishes to send its telegrams in series, it indicates this by adding the service abbreviation for requesting the consent of the station called.

5. Reply to Calls and Signals Preparatory to Traffic

(1) *Form of reply to calls*

The reply to calls is made as follows:—

Call sign of the station calling, not more than three times;

the word DE;

call sign of the station called.

(2) *Wave for reply*

For transmitting the reply to calls and to preparatory signals, the station called uses the wave on which the station calling must keep watch.

As an exception to this rule, when a mobile station calls a coast station on the wave of 143 kc/s (2,100 m), the coast station transmits its reply to the call on its normal working wave in the bands 100 to 160 kc/s (3,000 to 1,875 m), as indicated in the List of Stations.

(3) *Agreement on the wave to be used for traffic*

A. If the station called is in agreement with the station calling, it transmits:—

(a) the reply to the call;

(b) the service abbreviation indicating that from that moment onwards it will listen on the frequency and/or the type of wave announced by the station calling;

(c) if necessary, the indications referred to in subparagraph (4);

(d) the letter K if the station called is ready to receive the traffic of the station calling;

(e) if useful, the service abbreviation and figure indicating the strength of the signals received (see Appendix 10).