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Dear Sir:

These are comments to PR Docket No. 92-167 with regard to an Amendment to the Amateur Radio Service to Provide a Special Temporary Licensing Procedure for Visiting Foreign Amateur Operators. I submit that the procedure is cumbersome.

On October 13, 1992, I received an amateur radio license issued by Panstwowa Agencja Radiokomunikacyjna, Warsaw, Poland. Application was made through the intervention of an amateur operator whom I met there in April. He investigated the procedure in preparation to my possible return on business. At that time I would be empowered to operate his h.f. station and my 2 meter handheld.

I was required to complete one form, attach a photocopy of my U.S. amateur radio license, and enclose ten (10) International Reply Coupons. In response to my application I received a license that authorizes me to operate h.f. and v.h.f. at 200 watts input as SO6EYC. The license expires December 31, 1993. Enclosed with it was a customs permit to bring my handheld into the country, frequency, mode, power, and operating rules information, a map of Poland's amateur radio districts, and a map of repeater locations and frequencies. The technical information was printed in English.

The application consisted of the following:

I. Personal Data

1. Name
2. Father's name
3. Citizenship
4. Nationality
5. Date and place of birth
6. Permanent address

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II. Amateur Radio Data

1. Class of home license
2. Home call sign
3. Questions about previous operating in Poland
 - a) Period of last activity
 - b) Class of license issued
 - c) Assigned power
 - d) Assigned call sign
 - e) Station's location

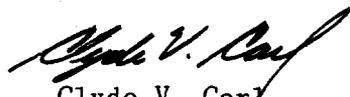
III. Data of Applied License

1. Class of license
2. Maximum input power
3. Name and address of host (or Resort or Hotel)
4. Station location if different from 3.
5. Questions about importing one's equipment
 - a) Type of equipment
 - b) Manufacturer
 - c) Serial number
 - d) Power
 - e) Frequency range
 - f) Location of border crossing

IV. Miscellaneous Information

Poland's procedure is simple and does not require a prerequisite reciprocal operating agreement with the applicant's country. Fraternity supersedes politics. Can a similar licensing procedure be proposed for foreign amateur operators visiting the United States -- particularly when the applicant is sponsored by a host amateur radio operator who is responsible for adherence to rules and regulations?

Sincerely,



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