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Dear Sir,

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I wish to respond with a couple of comments about the Fred Maia, W5YI, petition. This petition seeks to eliminate one-way information bulletins and Morse Code practice.

My first comment is that the W1AW code practice transmission was my best source for improving my code speed. And, W1AW does a great job on sending out information bulletins about general Amateur radio, and also information bulletins during times of disasters.

I live in a small town in north-central Oklahoma, which is long distance calling to any town in Oklahoma.

Access to any computer on-line service for Amateur bulletins would be very costly.

If all the local VHF packet nodes are up and running, I am able to receive Amateur radio bulletins via VHF packet.

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During the Oklahoma City bombing, one of the forwarding nodes at Chandler, Oklahoma was down. This stopped packet forwarding into Northcentral Oklahoma. These nodes are subject to lightning strikes and may be out of service when the Amateurs need them the most. My best source for dependable Amateur bulletins is VIA HF frequency.

I was one of the many Amateurs who helped in the Oklahoma relief effort. The Amateurs did a great job providing communications during a time when other services were overloaded.

This is a great example why Amateur operators need a way to receive information VIA HF one-way transmission.

Yours truly  
Robert J. Hudnall

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Federal Communications Commission  
c/o Secretary, FCC  
Washington DC 20554  
April 6, 1995

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Dear Commissioners:

I wish to express my strong objection to the petition by Frederick O. Maia, W5YI, in RM-8686.

The code practice transmissions and bulletins by the American radio Relay league have provided a valuable service for many many years. Furthermore these one-way transmissions are non-discriminatory in that they are available to all, members and non-members alike.

Mr. Maia's petition is frivolous and self-serving. Elimination of the one-way transmission rules is designed to enhance his business of licensing and publishing his W5YI Report newsletter. he also assumes that all prospective applicants and present licensees have computers and that those who have computers are able to afford on-line service subscriptions.

Please reject Mr. Maia's petition.

Sincerely yours,

*W. J. Fisher*

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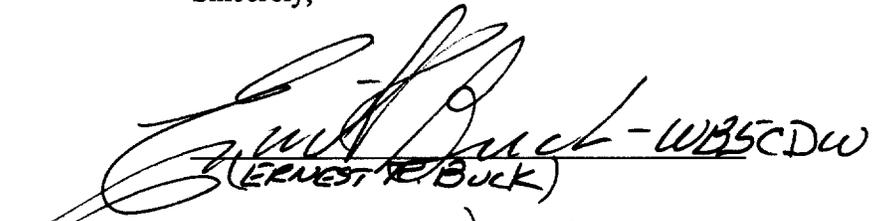
To: The Commission

I am **opposed** to the petition by Fred Maia, W5YI, that would prohibit one-way information bulletins and code practice transmissions in the amateur bands below 30 MHz.

For decades, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station, W1AW, has been supplying free services to the Amateur Radio community. I have used these services myself, and want to be able to continue to do so. The FCC itself relies on these services to disseminate information about communications emergencies. Thousands of amateurs regularly sharpen their skills by copying ARRL bulletins and code practice sent by W1AW.

The public interest would not be served by further consideration of this petition. I request that the petition be denied.

Sincerely,

  
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