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GENTLEMEN:

IN REPLY TO COMMENTS MADE BY THE ARRL AND CQ MAGAZINE. IN MY OPINION THE POSITIONS TAKEN BY THE ABOVE ORGANIZATIONS ARE MADE FOR THEIR PECUNIARY INTERESTS. I HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF THE ARRL FOR WELL OVER 40 YEARS AND AM A SUBSCRIBER TO CQ MAGAZINE. HOWEVER I FEEL NEITHER ONE HAS THE BEST INTERESTS OF AMATEUR RADIO AS THEIR GOAL. BOTH ARE IN BUSINESS TO SELL SUBSCRIPTIONS, BOOKS AND ADVERTISING SPACE AND THEREFORE PROMOTE THEIR OWN WELFARE.

BY POLLING AMATEURS AND MODIFYING THE EXISTING RULES AND REGULATIONS TO SUITE THEIR PERSONAL DESIRES IS AKIN TO LETTING THE INMATES RUN THE ASYLUM.

I THEREFORE URGE THE COMMISSION TO TAKE WHATEVER ACTION WILL BEST SERVE THE WELFARE OF THE NATION AND SUPPLY A POOL OF QUALIFIED TECHNICIANS AND OPERATORS THAT COULD BE CALLED UPON IN CASE OF LOCAL OR NATIONAL EMERGENCIES AND TO SERVE IN THE ARMED FORCES SHOULD THE OCCASION ARISE AS IT DID IN W.W.II.

IN CASE OF GLOBAL CONFLICT, WHERE SATELLITES MAY BE DESTROYED OR MADE INOPERATIVE CW COULD PROVE TO BE A VIABLE BACK UP TO MORE MODERN FORMS OF COMMUNICATION.

SOMETHING SELDOM MENTIONED IS THE FACT THERE IS NO LANGUAGE BARRIER WITH CW, MOST MESSAGES CAN BE TRANSMITTED OR RECEIVED VIA THE USE OF "Q" SIGNALS.

VERY TRULY YOURS,



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