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Before the
Federal Communication Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of)
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Amendment of Part 97 of the Commission's Rules) WT Docket No. 05-235
To Implement WRC-03 Regulations Applicable to)
Requirements for Operator Licenses in the)
Amateur Radio Service.

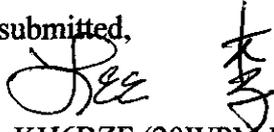
Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order

My argument is in favor of retaining, maintaining and demonstrating the proficiency and capability in Morse telegraphy (CW) as an element of communication operating skills by 'most accomplished radio amateurs.

My rationale is when World War II broke out, the U.S. Navy found itself with a gigantic problem. It had to train thousand of telegraph operators in a hurry when the mothball fleet was put into service. The Navy called upon a renowned psychologists to help it with its problem, training telegraphy operators. They were able to design a course that enabled raw recruits to become skilled telegraphers within a short period of time. This telegraphy skill to communicate ship-to-ship, ship-to-shore and shore-to-shore is as important today as it was during World War II. Telegraphy is the fall back method to communicate when all other modes fail.

To eliminate this entry skill of telegraphy to communicate would be a blow to a national resource and perhaps future wars.

Respectfully submitted,



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