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Dear Mrs. Artz,

This year the BBC is once again planning a regular programme for the men of the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey, including the Party at Halley Bay. The first broadcast in the new weekly series will go out on Tuesday, 14th April, at 2200 - 2230 GMT.

An important part in this programme is played by short messages, pre-recorded by members of the families of men serving in the Antarctic. It also includes talks and news items of special interest to them and gramophone records requested by the men themselves. The programme is organised in close collaboration with the Headquarters of the FIDS which have provided us with information about this year's team and their next-of-kin.

We have asked the South African Broadcasting Corporation to invite you to record a message for your husband and to send us the disk or tape for inclusion in our programme "Calling the Antarctic".

Although reception of this short-wave transmission is bound to be a little uncertain outside its prescribed area, if you have access to a short-wave receiver and want to try and hear any of the broadcasts, the following are the metre bands in which the wave-lengths are likely to be found:-

Tuesdays weekly from 14th April.  
2200 - 2230 G.M.T.  
25 and 31 metre bands.

We hope that these programmes will again provide a link between the men and their families at home, and afford some interest and relaxation to them during the long Antarctic winter.

Yours sincerely,



Producer: "Calling the Antarctic"

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