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SIGNAL	QUESTION	ANSWER, ADVICE OR ORDER
QTA	Shall I cancel telegram number...?	Cancel telegram number...
QTB	Do you agree with my counting of words?	I do not agree with your counting of words; I will repeat the first letter or digit of each word or group.
QTC	How many telegrams have you to send?	I have...telegrams for you (or for...).
QTD	What has the rescue vessel or rescue aircraft recovered?	...(identification) has recovered... 1) ...(number) survivors. 2) wreckage. 3) ...(number) bodies.
QTE	What is my TRUE bearing from you? or What is my TRUE bearing from...(call sign)? or What is the TRUE bearing of...(call sign) from...(call sign)?	Your TRUE bearing from me is... degrees (at...hours). or Your TRUE bearing from...(call sign) was...degrees (at...hours). or The TRUE bearing of...(call sign) from...(call sign) was...degrees at...hours.
QTF	Will you give me the position of my station according to the bearings taken by the D/F stations which you control?	The position of your station according to the bearings taken by the D/F stations which I control was... latitude...longitude (or other indication of position), class...at... hours.
QTG	Will you send two dashes of ten seconds each followed by your call sign (repeated...times) (on... kHz (or MHz))? or Will you request...to send two dashes of ten seconds followed by his call sign (repeated... times) on... kHz (or MHz)?	I am going to send two dashes of ten seconds each followed by my call sign (repeated...times) (on...kHz (or MHz)). or I have requested...to send two dashes of ten seconds followed by his call sign (repeated...times) on...kHz (or MHz).
QTH	What is your position in latitude and longitude or according to any other indication?	My position is...latitude...longitude (or according to any other indication).

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QTI	What is your TRUE track?	My TRUE track is...degrees.
QTJ	What is your speed?  (Requests the speed of a ship or aircraft through the water or air respectively.)	My speed is...knots (or...kilometers or...statute miles per hour). (Indicates the speed of a ship or aircraft through the water or air respectively.)
QTK	What is the speed of your aircraft in relation to the surface of the earth?	The speed of my aircraft in relation to the surface of the earth is... knots (or...kilometers or...statute miles per hour).
QTL	What is your TRUE heading?	My TRUE heading is...degrees.
QTM	What is your MAGNETIC heading?	My MAGNETIC heading is...degrees.
QTN	At what time did you depart from...(place)?	I departed from...(place) at...hours.
QTO	Are you airborne? or Have you left dock (or port)?	I am airborne or I have left dock (or port).
QTP	Are you going to alight (or land)? or Are you going to enter dock (or port)?	I am going to alight (or land). or I am going to enter dock (or port).
QTQ	Can you communicate with my station by means of the international code of signals?	I am going to communicate with your station by means of the international code of signals.
QTR	What is the correct time?	The correct time is...hours.

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QTS	Will you send your call sign for tuning purposes or so that your frequency can be measured now (or at...hours) on...kHz (or MHz)?	I will send my call sign for tuning purposes or so that my frequency may be measured now (or at...hours) on... kHz (or MHz).
QTT		The identification signal which follows is superimposed on another transmission.
QTV	What are the hours during which your station is open?	My station is open from...to...hours.
QTV	Shall I stand guard for you on the frequency of... kHz (or MHz) (from... to...hours)?	Stand guard for me on the frequency of...kHz (or MHz) (from...to... hours).
QTW	What is the condition of survivors?	Survivors are in...condition and urgently need...
QTX	Will you keep your station open for further communication with me until further notice (or until... hours)?	I will keep my station open for further communication with you until further notice (or until...hours).
QTY	Are you proceeding to the position of incident and if so when do you expect to arrive?	I am proceeding to the position of incident and expect to arrive at... hours (on...date).
QTZ	Are you continuing the search?	I am continuing the search for... (aircraft, ship, survival craft, survivors or wreckage).
QUA	Have you news of... (call sign)?	Here is news of...(call sign).

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QUB	Can you give me in the following order information concerning: the direction in degrees TRUE and speed of the surface wind; visibility; present weather; and amount, type and height of base of cloud above surface elevation at... (place of observation)?	Here is the information requested  ...  (The units used for speed and distances should be indicated.)
QUC	What is the number (or other indication) of the last message you received from me (or from...(call sign))?	The number (or other indication) of the last message I received from you (or from...(call sign)) is...
QUD	Have you received the urgency signal sent by... (call sign of mobile station)?	I have received the urgency signal sent by...(call sign of mobile station) at...hours.
QUE	Can you use telephony in... (language), with interpreter if necessary; if so, on what frequencies?	I can use telephony in...(language) on...kHz (or MHz).
QUF	Have you received the distress signal sent by... (call sign of mobile station)?	I have received the distress signal sent by...(call sign of mobile station) at...hours.
QUG	Will you be forced to alight (or land)?	I am forced to alight (or land) immediately.  or I will be forced to alight (or land) at...(position or place) at...hours.
QUH	Will you give me the present barometric pressure at sea level? Aeronautical Note: Stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service will interpret this signal as: What is the present atmospheric pressure at the present water level?	The present barometric pressure at sea level is...(units). Aeronautical Note: Stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service will interpret this signal as: The present atmospheric pressure at the present water level at...(place or position) at... hours is...(figures and units).
QUI	Are your navigation lights working?	My navigation lights are working.

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QUJ	Will you indicate the TRUE track to reach you (or...)?	The TRUE track to reach me (or...) is...degrees at... hours.
QUK	Can you tell me the condition of the sea observed at...(place or co-ordinates)?	The sea at...(place or co-ordinates) is...

Aeronautical Note: Stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service will complete the answer, information or advice form by the use of a numbered alternative as given hereunder, selected according to the average wave height as obtained from the larger wellformed waves of the wave system being observed. If observed height coincides with one of the limits, report the lower numbered alternative, e.g. waves with a mean maximum height of 4 meters are to be reported as "5".

Number		Meters	Height Feet (approx.)
0	Calm-glassy	0	0
1	Calm-rippled	0-0.1	0-1/3
2	Smooth wavelets	0.1-0.5	1/3-1 2/3
3	Slight	0.5-1.25	1 2/3-4
4	Moderate	1.25-2.5	4-8
5	Rough	2.5-4	8-13
6	Very rough	4-6	13-20
7	High	6-9	20-30
8	Very high	9-14	30-45
9	Phenomenal	Over 14	Over 45

QUL	Can you tell me the swell observed at...(place or co-ordinates)?	The swell at...(place or co-ordinates) is...
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Aeronautical Note: Stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service will complete the answer, information or advice form by the use of the following numbered alternatives:

Number	Length of Swell	Height	Number	Length of Swell	Height
0	-	-	5	Long	Moderate
1	Short or average	Low	6	Short	Heavy
2	Long	Low	7	Average	Heavy
3	Short	Moderate	8	Long	Heavy
4	Average	Moderate	9	Confused	-

Additionally, stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service may indicate the direction of swell by the use of the appropriate cardinal or quadrantal point abbreviation N, NE, E, SE, etc. following the numbered alternate for indicating swell condition. The descriptions in the above numbered alternatives are as follows:

		Meters	Length of Swell Feet (approx.)
Short	=	0-100	0-300
Average	=	100-200	300-600
Long	=	Over 200	Over 600
		Meters	Height of Swell Feet (approx.)
Low	=	0-2	0-7
Moderate	=	2-4	7-13
Heavy	=	Over 4	Over 13

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When there is no swell, the numbered alternative "0" is used; when the swell is such that the length and height of the swell waves cannot be determined, the numbered alternative "9" is used.		
QUM	May I resume normal working?	Normal working may be resumed.
QUN	<p>Will vessels in my immediate vicinity (or in the vicinity of...latitude...longitude (or of...)) please indicate their position, TRUE course and speed?</p> <p>Aeronautical Notes:  a) All stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service will interpret this signal (in part) as referring to TRUE TRACK.  b) English-speaking stations of the maritime mobile service may interpret this signal (in part) as referring to TRUE HEADING. When communicating with such stations it is recommended that supplementary use be made of the signal QTI to avoid any misunderstanding.</p>	<p>My position, TRUE course and speed are...</p> <p>Aeronautical Notes:  a) All stations of the international aeronautical telecommunication service will interpret this signal (in part) as referring to TRUE TRACK.  b) English-speaking stations of the maritime mobile service may interpret this signal (in part) as referring to TRUE HEADING. When communicating with such stations it is recommended that supplementary use be made of the signal QTI to avoid any misunderstanding.</p>
QUO	<p>Shall I search for...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) aircraft,</li> <li>2) ship,</li> <li>3) survival craft,</li> </ol> <p>in the vicinity of...latitude...longitude (or according to any other indication)?</p>	<p>Please search for...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) aircraft,</li> <li>2) ship,</li> <li>3) survival craft,</li> </ol> <p>in the vicinity of...latitude...longitude (or according to any other indication).</p>
QUP	<p>Will you indicate your position by...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) searchlight?</li> <li>2) black smoke trail?</li> <li>3) pyrotechnic lights?</li> </ol>	<p>My position is indicated by...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) searchlight.</li> <li>2) black smoke trail.</li> <li>3) pyrotechnic lights.</li> </ol>

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QUQ	Shall I train my searchlight nearly vertical on a cloud, occulting if possible and, if your aircraft is seen or heard, deflect the beam up wind and on the water (or land) to facilitate your landing?	Please train your searchlight on a cloud, occulting if possible and, if my aircraft is seen or heard, deflect the beam up wind and on the water (or land) to facilitate my landing.
QUR	Have survivors... 1) received survival equipment? 2) been picked up by rescue vessel? 3) been reached by ground rescue party?	Survivors... 1) are in possession of survival equipment dropped by... 2) have been picked up by rescue vessel. 3) have been reached by ground rescue party.
QUS	Have you sighted survivors or wreckage? If so, in what position?	Have sighted... 1) survivors in water, 2) survivors on rafts, 3) wreckage, in position...latitude...longitude (or according to any other indication).
QUT	Is position of incident marked?	Position of incident is marked by... 1) flame or smoke float. 2) sea marker. 3) sea marker dye. 4) ...(specify other marking).
QUU	Shall I home ship or aircraft to my position?	Home ship or aircraft...(call sign) ... 1) to your position by transmitting your call sign and long dashes on... kHz (or MHz). 2) by transmitting on...kHz (or MHz) TRUE track to reach you.
QUV		
QUW	Are you in the search area designated as...(designator or latitude and longitude)?	I am in the...(designation) search area.
QUX		

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QUY	Is position of survival craft marked?	Position of survival craft was marked at...hours by... 1) flame or smoke float 2) sea marker 3) sea marker dye 4) ...(specify other marking).
QUZ		
QVA-QZZ The series QVA to QZZ inclusive has not been allocated to date.		