VIA CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

September 29, 2010

Mr. Craig W. Gold
(Address withheld)
(Address withheld)

Re: Amateur Radio License KG4WQF
EB-10-GB-0121
Warning Notice

Dear Mr. Gold:

The trustee of AB4AZ has requested, via a written request sent to you in May of 2010 that you refrain from use of the repeater. The request was issued as a result of your failure to follow operational rules set forth by the licensee/control operators of the repeater system for its users. You were previously issued several requests to refrain from using the system, but failed to comply with them necessitating the request for Commission intervention.[1]

The Commission requires that repeaters be under the supervision of a control operator and not only expects, but requires, that such control operators be responsible for the proper operation of the repeater system. Control operators may take whatever steps they deem appropriate to ensure compliance with the repeater rules, including limiting the repeater use to certain users, converting the repeater to a closed repeater or taking it off the air entirely.

Please be advised that the Commission expects you to abide by the request of the control operator that you stay off of AB4AZ – and any other similar requests to cease operations on any other repeaters by any other repeater licensees, control operators or trustees.

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[1] In a letter dated June 2, 2010, Mr. Richard Jackson (the trustee) advised the ARRL that he has requested that you refrain from using his repeater multiple times and that your response has been to continue to use the repeater despite his repeated requests.

Use of AB4AZ again after receipt of this letter could subject you to severe penalties, including license revocation, monetary forfeiture (fine)[2] or a modification proceeding to restrict the frequencies upon which you may operate.

Sincerely,

Laura L. Smith
Special Counsel

Cc: Tampa Field Office
South Central Regional Director

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[2] Fines normally range from $7,500 to $10,000.