## ON BEHALF OF KEITH BENTON:

A couple of months ago I was rather dismayed to hear that the 2 Winlink stations in Australia had to cease operation, in an area that was rather light on for alternative stations. I think the reason was that they were seen to be competing with commercial interests. As a yachtsman who is a Winlink user and will be heading across the Pacific next year, I would very much like to see more stations in the S.W Pacific. As it is the only system I use, I only have HF radio and no satellite communications I cannot see how it can be seen to be competing with a commercial venture.

Please use your influence to see these stations reinstated and others established.

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