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Telefonica to head new Spanish radio giant?

by Howell Llewellyn

MADRID - The chairman of Spanish media conglomerate Grupo Prisa claims that media companies sympathetic to Spain's centre-right government are planning to create a powerful new radio group.

The new entity would rival Prisa's own SER/Union Radio, Spain's largest commercial radio company. Grupo Prisa chairman Jesus de Polanco says

he has evidence that a number of individual media companies-led by the media division of telecommunications giant Telefonica-aiming to win the country's 350 new FM radio licences intend to pool those licences at a later date to create a giant radio group.

The government has already allocated the licences to the country's 17 regional governments (Music & Media, October 25). They are expected to award the licences over the next few months.

Telefonica spokesman Alberto Martinez confirms the former state-owned company intends to form a multi-media organisation around the publishing group Recoletos, which owns the topselling sports daily Marca and part-

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Techno trip for Midem '98

by Christian Lorenz

PARIS - Club DJs from around the world are set to flock to next month's

Midem trade fair in larger numbers than ever before.

The world's largest music industry get-together (the 32nd) takes place in Cannes between January 18-22. It will feature a specreated cially "Midem Techno Club" offering smaller labels the opportunity to

exhibit at a discounted rate, and to continued on page 25

Music & Media's end of year special

In this issue, Music & Media publishes its year-end review package (pages 6-16). It includes:

The year-end Eurochart Hot 100 singles and the European Top 100 albums charts, respectively topped by Elton John's Candle In The Wind 1997 (Rocket/Mercury) and The Spice Girls' debut album Spice (Virgin). Page 7

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(Celine Dion) and Top 3 female singles artists (Toni Braxton), the Top 3 male albums artists (Andrea Bocelli) and Top 3 male singles artists (Elton John), the Top 3 albums groups (Spice Girls) and Top 3 singles groups (Spice Girls). Page 6

Labels' and companies' chart share, which saw Virgin emerge as 1997's top label in the singles and albums category, helping EMI become the leading albums company, followed by PolyGram, the leading singles company. Page 8

An analysis of the Top 50 European Airplay tracks of 1997, topped by Puff Daddy & Faith Evans' I'll Be Missing You (Bad Boy/Arista). Page 9

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The M&M Jukebox: what M&M staffers have been playing during the year. Pages 14-15

Industry comment: what was good and what was bad in business for music and radio execs in 1997. Page 16







and Jeff Clark-Meads

LONDON - The U.K. label operations of and Arista appear to be losing a degree of authority.

John Preston, chairman of BMG Entertainment International U.K. and

Ireland, is to appoint general managers in charge of the two units, where both have traditionally been headed by managing directors.

This follows the exit of Martin Heath and Hugh Goldsmith, the U.K.

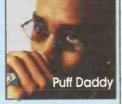
managing directors of Arista and RCA, respectively. Heath's departure, rumoured in the industry in recent



weeks. was confirmed on December 16 in a BMG corpostatement. Goldsmith left in the autumn to start London-based Innocent Records for Virgin.

"I found my experience with BMG to be a very useful one," Heath says. "I wanted Arista to be acknowledged as a source of great new U.K. talent, and it's a shame that I'm not able to continue that strate-

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Uptront

by Emmanuel Legrand, Music & Media editor-in-chief

A scroll through the titles on Music & Media's year-end Top 100 Albums chart provides an interesting overview of the European music scene.

Fact 1: European consumers massively support and buy records from European acts. No fewer than 73 albums in the year-end Top 100 were by European artists (against 70 in 1996).

Fact 2: The U.K./Ireland is not the only source of repertoire coming out of Europe. Out of those 73 albums, 40 were from non-U.K./Irish acts, including the year-end top 2 album Romanza from the year's top male act, Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli.

Fact 3: The variety of musical styles in Europe—pop, rock, electronica, rap, house, dance, R&B, canzone, chanson, gabber, rai, instrumental, bel canto-is nothing less than staggering. It could surely fill the playlist of the most eclectic of radio stations and please the most demanding of consumers.

Fact 4: It's getting ever tougher for U.S. acts in

Europe these days. There is less correlation between the chart toppers in the U.S. and those in Europe. Many of the biggest sellers in the U.S. during 1997—Garth Brooks, The Notorious Big, LeAnn Rimes, Jewel, The Wallflowers, 2Pac, Shania Twain, to name but a fewwere simply nowhere to be seen in M&M's Top 100 albums of the year listing.

All these facts definitely confirm Europe's hard-won status as a premium repertoire source. Taken together, they also serve as a rebuttal to all who may have doubted the creativity and the vitality of the European scene. At a time when the tendency in the music industry seems to be look at the bleak side of things, those are surely positive thoughts to enlighten this year-end.

PS: Most of you are probably preparing to take a break for the holiday period—and so are we (the next issue of Music & Media will be published on January 9). So, let me take this opportunity to wish you all the best for the year to come on behalf of the M&M team.

Capital's revolution continues

by Mike McGeever

LONDON - Following the disappointment of losing out to Chris Evans in its attempt to buy Richard Branson's rock station Virgin Radio (M&M, December 20), the U.K.'s Capital Radio has immediately regrouped.

Capital says it will continue its transition process from radio company to music entertainment group. Speaking on record for the first time since the Evans coup, chief executive David Mansfield says: "The fact that we haven't done the Virgin deal gives us other opportunities. The Virgin deal was important for us, but it wasn't the only deal in town. We are not going to sit around. Our strategy is to go for expansion."

Capital is in the process of developing its music venue and radio cafe business in the West Midlands and southern

with U.K. compilations giant Telstar. However, Capital is still very much in the market for new radio acquisitions. "No matter what, we are looking to expand our U.K. radio operation," says Mansfield.

One target Capital could be Lord Hanson's successful soft AC/MOR station Melody FM/London, which Hanson recently indicated is open to offers. Mansfield would not comment on

any possible bid for Melody, but if Capital were to make an offer, there would probably be another referral to the government's monopolies and merger commission (MMC)—a lengthy



academic, Mansfield insists the government's decision on Capital's abortive take-over of Virgin, which will be published in the next few weeks, will still be a benchmark for the entire U.K. commercial radio industry.

"The reason we were referred to the MMC was our share of radio advertising revenue in London,' he notes. "But our share of advertising revenue in London-

if the deal with Branson had gone through-would be less than most other radio groups have at the moment in their major markets. So, if we can't grow in London, with all of the competition and a smaller market share, then that tells everyone else they can't

England, while its other new revenue nightmare which has already cost streams include an interactive website

business (Capital Interactive), and its Capital ownership of Virgin Radio. Although it might now seem to be grow [in radio] either." Wildstar record label—a joint venture

George aims to 'seduce' radio

LONDON — Eighties icon George-former Culture Club lead singer,

now a club DJ-is rolling out a new syndicated dance programme across European radio, writes Mike McGeever.

George's show kicks off over Christmas with his "Best Of '97," a three-hour package, which is being taken (at the time of going to press) by a number of European broadcasters including some Emap Radio stations in the U.K., urban/dance station Choice FM/ Birmingham,



CHR outlet Power FM/ Istanbul and Moscow CHR station Maximum.

The project is a collaboration between George and BBC Radio 1 presenter Mark Goodier's radio production and syndication company Wise Buddah. A pre-recorded show will be available on a weekly basis from early next year. It will be produced by Caroline Dapré, who also helms dance specialist Pete Tong's show on BBC Radio 1.

"The idea for the programme came from pro-

grammers, who wanted a dance show that they couldn't do themselves with a big name to go with it," explains Wise Buddah syndication manager Nikki Sayer.

George tells Music & Media the show will delve into all genres of dance, especially new acts. "I'm more interested in breaking records that probably wouldn't get much play on the radio," he says.

"There will be a balance of [mainstream] tracks and material most people might not normally hear unless myself or another DJ plays it in a club. Ideally I would like the show to be all new music. But it doesn't work like that. You have to seduce people by blending different styles.'

Joe Jackson

The U.K. singer/composer, still best known for his pop hits of the late '70s/early '80s, recently issued Heaven & Hell, the first release to emetge under a two-album deal with Sony Classical.



Q: How does an artist with almost 20 years on rock labels wind up at a classical department?

A: I decided to leave Virgin when they seemed to be not particularly enthusiastic about my first demos for this project, even though they committed to re-signing me and releasing the album. I felt like it was going to be released and then left alone to die in a corner somewhere.

I was fed up with people who were waiting for me to make Look Sharp (1979) again or something. I wanted to work with whoever seemed to have the most enthusiasm for what I'm doing now, and that turned out to be a classical label. I wasn't expecting it, I'm as surprised as anyone else, but I'm thrilled.

Q: Is it a different world?

A: It is and it isn't. There aren't the rigid boundaries between the classical and pop worlds that a lot of people seem to think. We all live on the same planet. In a lot of ways there isn't much difference, but a slightly different set of expectations.

The mainstream pop labels have records that sell five, ten million copies and they get very arrogant because of that, and tend to dismiss things that may be very worthwhile but aren't going to sell that amount. Whereas a classical label is just not expecting that, they're not expecting to get airplay or video exposure half the time. A lot of their artists are dead! They're going to try everything they can, and that's the approach I need, because I don't really fit very neatly into one category or another.

Q: And they probably don't say "I'm not hearing a single"...

A: Right. It's refreshing to have fewer preconceptions. It's funny because, to Sony Classical, I'm quite a mainstream pop artist, whereas at Virgin there was this attitude of "Oh God, what's he doing-he's going off the rails here."

Q: Is it frustrating that, in airplay terms, pop radio has distilled your career down to about three songs?

A: I can't afford to get frustrated about it, because then I would start becoming convinced that I peaked 15 years ago, and I couldn't live with that. I think I haven't peaked yet, but my peak will probably be something that doesn't fit the format.

You could say it's distilled into three songs, but that's three more songs than some people get, so I'm quite happy that some of that stuff still gets played.

Interview by Paul Sexton

LE MOUV' UNDER SCRUTINY

PARIS - The fate of Le Mouv-the youth-oriented CHR station launched earlier this year by public broadcaster Radio France—will be sealed at the beginning of next year when an audit, commissioned by French minister of culture and communication Catherine Trautmann, is due to be delivered reviewing the programming and the financing of the station. Says Trautmann: "Based on the outcome of the audit, we'll evaluate with the people in charge of the station if this project can go on, under which form, and with what resources.

RA DROPS 'FOURTH NATIONAL' PLANS

LONDON - The U.K.'s Radio Authority (RA) has dropped its proposal for a fourth national commercial station to be broadcast on long wave (LW). According to the RA, objections from other European broadcasting regulators "to protect their registered users [radio stations] from interfer-



ence means it is not possible to obtain international clearance" for the frequency. Meanwhile, the RA has awarded a local licence to cover Minehead, Watchet and

surrounding areas in the English county of Somerset-one of the few areas not currently served by local commercial radio. Quay West Radio/Minehead will provide an easy-listening format with "highly localised chat and interviewbased local news," from the middle of next year.

COMMERCIAL STATIONS STRETCH KODA CONTRACT

COPENHAGEN — The contract between Danish commercial radio stations and performing rights body KODA has been extended until June 30 1998. The contract period was stretched in order to give both parties time to draw up a new long-term agreement. KOMM wants the new contract to be more in line with performing rights agreements in neighbouring Sweden and Norway, where payments from broadcasters are set at around a third of Danish rates. If the new agreement reduces the amount of payment broadcasters have to make, they will be reimbursed retrospectively from the start of 1998.

CAMPUS RADIO DEBUTS IN SPAIN

MADRID - Spain's first university radio station aimed at the public has been launched in the city of Salamanca. The University of Salamanca says that its Radio Universidad-launched on November 12-can be heard in any part of the city on 89.0 FM. So far, the station broadcasts news and cultural features for just two hours a day, from 22:00-00:00., but there are plans in the pipeline to broadcast music on the station during the day. "We aspire to create a modern, critical and committed view of our academic environment," says station manager Emilia Riesco.

MOVING CHAIRS

LONDON — MTV Networks Europe has appointed Peter Good as managing editor of its planned "interactive experi-



mental " digital music TV service, M2. Good, formerly controller, music programming at MTV Europe, says: M2 is going to be much more about taking risks: in terms of artist selection, programme structure, video rotation and repertoire, graphic look and even presenters."

BERLIN - Klaus Husemann has been named as the new council chairman at public broadcaster Mitteldeutscher Rundfunk (MDR). A university professor in Freiberg and a CDU party functionary, Huse-

mann will head a 40-member advisory board made up of diverse representatives from the states of Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia.

MADRID - Alejo García has been appointed director of Radio Nacional de España's (RNE) world service station Radio Exterior de Espana. Garcia joined RNE in 1970 and has also worked on commercial network Cadena COPE

Spanish music radio tumbles

by Howell Llewellyn

MADRID - Music stations in Spain have suffered a significant decrease in listening in the latter part of this year.

The downward trend is in line with the most recent U.K. and French audience surveys. According to official Estudio General de Música (EGM) figures covering October-November (the third and final Spanish ratings survey of the year), the country's three most popular music networks-Los 40 Principales (CHR), Cadena DIAL (domestic music) and Cadena 100 (AC/CHR)-all lost listeners compared to the previous EGM survey (April-May), and to the same period last year. SER's AC network M 80 lost 20 percent of its audience on the April/May survey, down from 776,000 average daily listeners to 622,000.

As in the U.K. and France, speech radio appears to have been the main beneficiary of the music stations' slump, with news/talk Cadena COPE consolidating its second place in the ratings table behind rival talk network Cadena SER. The listeners' appetite for speech also benefited beleaguered public broadcaster RNE, whose overall audience increased by more than 400,000, thanks mainly to news/talk Radio 1 climbing from 1.5 million average daily listeners to 1.7 million.

Media observers say the less confrontational tone of many news/talk networks recentlydue to a settling of the political landscape after last year's general election, and the improving Spanish economy-has attracted more listeners.

Another possible behind the increased success of the news/talk format is the heightened interest (even by normal Spanish standards) in soccer Top Spanish networks

| Network (format) | Oct/Nov '96 | Apr/May '97 | Oct/Nov '97 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Cadena SER (News/talk) | 4.49 | 4.27 | 4.22 |
| Cadena COPE (News/talk) | 3.29 | 3.04 | 3.32 |
| Los 40 Principales (CHR) | 2.67 | 2.59 | 2.46 |
| Onda Cero Radio (News/tal | k) 2.30 | 2.25 | 1.87 |
| Cadena DIAL (Dom.music) | 1.85 | 1.79 | 1.75 |
| Radio 1 (News/talk) | 1.67 | 1.51 | 1.69 |
| Cadena 100 (AC/CHR) | 1.18 | 1.07 | 1.02 |
| (All figures are average daily list | enership in mill | ions. Source: EGI | M) |

this season, with the Spanish league currently awash with TV money and expensive foreign signings. Both Cadena COPE's and Cadena SER's weekday football talk shows average over a million listeners each day, despite the fact that they are broadcast after midnight.

Some good news for record companies was provided by the

performance of classical music radio and RNE's eclectic alternative/world music network Radio 3, whose daily audience rose 56 percent to 424,000 daily listeners. Spain's two national classical networks-RNE's Radio Clasica and Cadena SER's Sinfo Radiorespectively increased their audience from 121,000 to 171,000. and from 41,000 to 79,000.



Ireland's Corrs picked up gold discs (25,000 Danish sales) of their album, Talk On Corners (Lava/Atlantic/143 Records) in Copenhagen recently. Pictured (back row, l-r): Warner Music Denmark staffers Jan Nielsen (sales); Pernille Weil (promotion manager); Jacob Harregaard (label manager); Torsten Nielsen (sales); Michael Bredol (financial controller); Henrik Laurvig (sales); Jonas Johansen (radio promoter); Bent Mouritzen (marketing manager) and Anders Duelund (classical label manager). Front row (l-r): Maria Ok von der Leith (promotion manager); Susanne Agerup (sales supervisor); Sharon Corr; Finn Work (managing director); Jim, Caroline and Andrea Corr. Lying down: Kim Norskov (sales).

by Kai R. Lofthus

Oslo - Sweden's Modern Times Group (MTG) is bringing its CHR/urban Power Radio brand to Norway, under the name Z-FM.

MTG's Power Radio, which broadcasts to the Swedish cities of Stockholm and Gothenburg, is to launch a station in Sandvika (just outside Oslo) during the early part of February. The Sandvika licence will give the broadcaster coverage of most parts of the capital.

Morten Stovra, assistant director of MTG's pan-Scandi TV

channel TV3, is overseeing the launch of Z-FM. He says the new station will be "based on contemporary urban music genres, such as house and R&B."

Z-TV managing director Erik Johnsen comments: "We feel there is a void in the market for the concept we're launching. The way we've been greeted at the record companies assures us that there is a need [for Z-FM]."

However, MTG is not able to use the Power Radio name for the new station, as Radio Nero/Romerike still owns the rights to the Power name in Norway, even though that station is not currently on air. Negotiations between Radio Nero and MTG-which wanted to use the name for the new station-broke down.

Instead, MTG has opted for the Z-FM name, derived from its youth TV station ZTV, which broadcasts in Sweden and Denmark (ZTV's Norwegian operation went bankrupt last year). This will be the first radio station owned by MTG to carry the "Z" branding.

Johnsen confirms there are plans to start Z-FM stations in other Norwegian cities, but declines to comment further.

The Observer In light of DJ Chris Evans' recent purchase of rock station Virgin Radio, the U.K. Sunday newspaper looks at the increasing trend for showbiz personalities to own their own media businesses, citing the examples—amongst others—of Bob Geldolf (Planet 24) and TV/radio star Noel Edmonds (Unique Broadcasting, UTV and various other companies). Edmonds says performers setting up their own companies typically fall into three categories: "In the first case, the performer does it to increase their personal profit. Those in the second category want a degree of creative control: and the third are those, like me, who want to move into other areas of the entertainment business."

The Observer (U.K.), December 14

Le Monde Although the cumulative audience of AC/gold network Radio Nostalgie fell slightly to 4.7 percent in the September-October Médiamétrie ratings, its management has some reasons to rejoice, according to a piece in the French daily. "Nostalgie has put an end to the erosion of its audience and is winning more listeners than its direct competitors [Cherie FM, Europe 2, RTL2 and RFM] during certain key strategic slots," suggests the magazine. The station's MD Henry Laurent claims that, with average daily listening time increasing from 124 to 142 minutes in the latest survey, "Nostalgie has the strongest average listening time of all stations, second

Le Monde (France), December 15

VANITY FAIR Atlantic Records founder Ahmet Ertegun is described as "The devil in a bespoke suit" in a lengthy profile published by the U.S. fashion monthly. "Ahmet Ertegun, fabled for his handmade suits, his vodka consumption, and his golden ear, is still the wickedly fun-loving pole-star of an eclectic universe, counting Mick Jagger, Henry Kissinger, David Geffen and Ray Charles among his friends," writes Leslie Bennetts in a piece which focuses more on Ertegun's social life than his business achievements. Vanity Fair (U.S.A.), January

Newsweek The IIS newsweekly takes a look at the challenges facing PolyGram in the U.S. The story reviews the recent "problems" PolyGram has faced, from changes at Motown to the recent departure of Island founder Chris Blackwell, costly restructuring and sluggish sales. "Critics and even some fans say PolyGram's tight financial oversight, typical of European companies, has clashed with the loose-limber style of the U.S. entertainment industry," writes Newsweek. "Others say PolyGram, with foreigners in all top posts, doesn't understand American culture."

Newsweek, (European edition), December 15

Cable ties up Flanders

by Marc Maes

LUXEMBOURG - A new radio station has been launched with the eventual aim of covering, for the first time, all of Europe's Flemish-speaking areas in Belgium, the Netherlands, northern France and Luxembourg.

Cable broadcaster Radio Flandria was founded by the International Intellectual Property Fund (IIPF), a

group of private investors, and is based in the city of Luxembourg. The project is the brainchild of the new station's managing director, former Radio 3FM (Netherlands) presenter Peter Van Dam.

Van Dam, who is also taking on music programming duties at the station, says Radio Flandria's format will be similar to the music-intensive soft AC of Dutch commercial station Sky Radio. The station will play up to four Flemish titles per hour, he adds.

In Luxembourg, the station was granted a cable broadcast licence on November 5, valid until 2007, while in Belgium, the station has started broadcasting on a number of cable networks in Flanders. Radio Flandria says it plans to get access to cable systems in the Netherlands and northern France as soon as possible.

Cable radio is not yet technically legal in Belgium, but Jacques Vandermeire, a board member of Flemish cable companies association VVK, says transmissions by Radio Flandria on a number of cable networks in Flanders are "fully legal," as cable companies are allowed to rebroadcast signals from foreign sta-

tions which have a broadcast licence in their country of origin.

Radio Flandria falls into that category, according to Vandermeir, because it is Luxembourg based and licensed. However, at the Flemish media minister's office,

spokesman Walter Aertssens questions the status of Radio Flandria's transmissions, as cable networks are to supposed to inform his department when introducing new channels.

"Thus far, we haven't had any notice of such an operation," he says, pointing out that legislation on cable radio is currently in progress.

Van Dam estimates that: "With 2.9 million cable subscribers in Flanders... Radio Flandria could account for up to 7 percent share of the Flemish radio market [in Belgium]."

Fun shops for formats

by Rémi Bouton

PARIS - Fun Radio is carrying out a major review of its programming and is evaluating the potential of a number of new formats.

The CLT-UFA owned French national CHR network, which has undergone major managerial changes during the last month, is researching several options in an attempt to win back audience. Sources say that among the options being considered by the new management are: a rap/groove format to compete head-tohead with the Skyrock network; a pop/rock/techno format not overly dissimilar to Fun's current programming; a mixed-genre format targeting youth. It is understood a decision will be made by the end of the year, with onair implementation during January.

Axel Duroux, who was appointed joint managing director of Fun Radio and AC network RTL 2 last month,

says: "It is obvious that things will happen at Fun and even at RTL2. That's what I am here for." He has embarked on a restructuring of the station and an evaluation of its output, but declines to reveal full details of the changes.

Duroux has appointed Véronique Caret as deputy director of Fun Radio, and Christian Lefebvrewhile remaining music programmer at RTL2-becomes programming director of both stations with additional responsibility for music research. Duroux says Lefebvre's new role will improve the synergy between the two networks.

As a result of these appointments, Fun's current music programmer Carl Watts recently exited the network (M&M, December 20, 1997)following scheduling director Jean Isnard and president Benoit Sillard, who departed last month—to launch his own music consultancy company.

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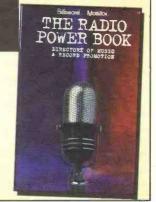
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Year of the heady cocktail

Pop power, boy bands, vocalists, electronica and rock that's the intoxicating mixture which fills Music & Media's 1997 year-end charts. It's a cocktail which reflects a year when newcomers and established acts competed fiercely for the top slots in all the M&M charts.

by Emmanuel Legrand

It was a big year for the Spice Girls; the five-piece took the crown for the top album of the year with their 1996 Virgin debut Spice (certified 8 times platinum by the IFPI for sales in excess of 8 million units in Europe). But that wasn't all; they finished the year as top albums artists (with Spice and Spiceworld), top group (in albums and singles, with no less than five entries in the latter charts) and finished at number 2 in the artists/singles category, second, of course, to Elton John's Candle In The Wind 1997.

John's remake of his 1973 hit, conceived in tragic circumstances, was the top single of the year, out-ranking such major contenders as Puff Daddy's I'll Be Missing You, No Doubt's Don't Speak, Aqua's Barbie Girl and Will Smith's Men In Black, all former No.1 hits on the Eurochart.

One of the continental European sensations of the year was Andrea

Bocelli. With four different albums in the charts during the year, Bocelli made number 2 in the Top 100 Albums of 1997, and is the leading male albums artist. The Italian tenor also scored one of the top singles hits of the year with Time To Say Goodbye, his duet with Sarah Brightman.

The girl band craze echoed an earlier boy band fever, and this year saw the Backstreet Boys setting Europe on fire with two hugely successful albums and four singles on the year-end charts. Along the way, they sold over 2 million copies of their second album. The Jive band found little competition on top of the European charts from other boy bands, except in France, where German imports Worlds Apart and local bands 2 Be 3, Alliage and G-Squad are hugely popular.

But even with such pop dominance, the European charts still rocked in 1997. On the year end albums listing, U2's Pop (Island) is at

number 4, Oasis' Be Here Now (Creation/Sony) at 11, The Verve's Urban Hymns (Hut/Virgin) at 12 and even the venerable Rolling Stones show up with Bridges To Babylon (Virgin) at 14. Critics' favourites Radiohead, with OK Computer (Parlophone),

also found wide From top: Elton's public accep- 'Candle'; Will Smith; across The Spice Girls

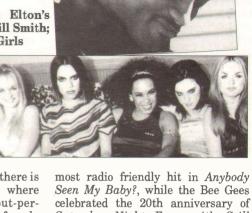
Europe. Electronica made an impressive showing with the success of The Prodigy (at number 10 with The Fat Of The Land) and the Chem-

ical Brothers (Dig Your Own Hole at 77).

If most categories are dominated by European acts, there is one segment of the market where North American artists out-performed European acts-female vocalists. The top female albums artists were Celine Dion, Toni Braxton and Mariah Carey, all AC favourites. Dion is in a league of her own, with four albums charted in two different languages.

It was also a good year for pop/rock veterans—at least some of them. The Rolling Stones delivered one of their strongest albums in years, and their

most radio friendly hit in Anybody Seen My Baby?, while the Bee Gees celebrated the 20th anniversary of Saturday Night Fever with Still Waters (at 20), Spanish crooner Julio Iglesias proved he could still Tango (at 33), Aerosmith were back with Nine Lives (at 34), John Fogerty enjoyed a revival with Blue Moon Swamp (at 62) and Bob Dylan came out of the hospital with Time Out Of Mind (at 87), one of his best albums in two decades. Who said they were too old to rock'n roll?



Top Ten Singles Artists

1. Elton John/Something About The Way.../Candle In The Wind 1997 (Rocket/Mercury)

2. Spice Girls/Spice Up Your Life, 2 Become 1, Who Do You Think You Are/Mama, Say You'll Be There, Wannabe (Virgin)

3. Backstreet Boys/As Long As You Love Me, Everybody (Backstreet's Back),

Quit Playing Games (With My Heart), Anywhere For You (Jive)

Puff Daddy & Faith Evans feat. 112/I'll Be Missing You (Bad Boy/Arista)

5. No Doubt/Don't Speak, Just A Girl, Spiderwebs (Trauma/Interscope)

6. Sash!/Encore Une Fois, Ecuador, Stay (Byte Blue)
7. Aqua/Barbie Girl, Roses Are Red, Dr. Jones (Universal)

Toni Braxton/Un-Break My Heart, I Don't Want To, How Could An Angel Break My Heart (LaFace/Arista)

Gala/Freed From Desire, Let A Boy Cry, Come Into My Life, Everyone Has Inside (Do It Yourself)

10. Will Smith/Men In Black, Just Cruisin' (Columbia)

Top three female artists (albums)

1. Celine Dion/Falling Into You, Let's Talk About Love, Live A Paris, The Colour Of My Love, D'Eux (Epic/Columbia)

2. Toni Braxton/Secrets, Toni Braxton (LaFace/Arista)

3. Mariah Carey/Butterfly (Columbia)

Top three female artists (singles)

1. Toni Braxton/Un-Break My Heart, I Don't Want To, How Could An Angel Break My Heart (LaFace/Arista)

Gala/Freed From Desire, Let A Boy Cry, Come Into My Life, Everyone Has Inside (Do It Yourself)

Madonna/Don't Cry For Me Argentina, Another Suitcase In Another Hall (Warner Bros.)

Top three male artists (albums)

1 Andrea Bocelli/Romanza, Bocelli, Viaggio Italiano, Il Mare Calmo Della Sera (Sugar/Polydor)

Michael Jackson/Blood On The Dancefloor-HIStory In The Mix, HIStory—Past, Present And Future Pt.1 (Epic)

3. Eros Ramazzotti/Eros, Dove C'E Musica (DDD/BMG)

Top three male artists (singles)

1 Elton John/Something About The Way.../Candle In The Wind 1997 (Rocket/Mercury)

2. Puff Daddy (& Faith Evans feat. 112)/I'll Be Missing You (Bad Boy/Arista)

3. Will Smith/Men In Black, Just Cruisin' (Columbia)

Top 10 album artists

Spice Girls/Spice, Spiceworld (Virgin)

Andrea Bocelli/Romanza, Bocelli, Viaggio Italiano, Il Mare Calmo Della Sera (Sugar/Polydor)

Backstreet Boys/Backstreet's Back, Backstreet Boys (Jive)

Celine Dion/Falling Into You, Let's Talk About Love, Live A Paris, The Colour Of My Love, D'Eux (Epic/Columbia)

No Doubt/Tragic Kingdom (Trauma/Interscope)

U2/Pop, The Joshua Tree, Achtung Baby!, Rattle And Hum (Island)

Toni Braxton/Secrets, Toni Braxton (LaFace/Arista)

Tic Tac Toe/Klappe Die 2te, Tic Tac Toe (RCA)

The Prodigy/The Fat Of The Land, Music For The Jilted Generation (XL)

10. Michael Jackson/Blood On The Dancefloor, HIStory-Past, Present And Future Pt.1 (Epic)

Top three groups (albums)

 $\textbf{1. Spice Girls}/Spice, Spiceworld~(\breve{\text{V}}irgin)$

Backstreet Boys/Backstreet's Back, Backstreet Boys (Jive)

3. No Doubt/Tragic Kingdom (Trauma/Interscope)

Top three groups (singles)

1. Spice Girls/Spice Up Your Life, 2 Become 1, Who Do You Think You Are/Mama, Say You'll Be There, Wannabe (Virgin)

2. Backstreet Boys/As Long As You Love Me, Everybody (Backstreet's Back), Quit Playing Games (With My Heart), Anywhere For You (Jive)
3. Hanson/MMMBop, Where's The Love, I Will Come To You (Mercury)

Top three continental albums

Andrea Bocelli/Romanza (Sugar/Polydor)

Backstreet Boys/Backstreet's Back (Jive)

3 Backstreet Boys/Backstreet Boys (Jive)

Top three continental singles

L Aqua/Barbie Girl (Universal)

2. Sarah Brightman & Andrea Bocelli/Time To Say Goodbye (east west)

3. Robert Miles feat. Maria Nayler/One & One (DBX/DeConstruction/ Motor)

Top three debut albums

1. Aqua/Aquarium (Universal)

2. No Mercy/My Promise (MCI/Arista)

3. Era/Era (Mercury)

Charts compiled from weeks 1-50, 1997



Eurochart Hot 100 Singles 1997

| 8 | Eurochart Hot 100 Sing | les 1997 |
|----------|--|----------------------------------|
| Ar | tist/Tile | (Label) |
| 1 | ELTON JOHN/SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY/CANDLE IN THE W | VIND 1997 (ROCKET) |
| 2 | Puff Daddy & Faith Evans feat. 112/I'll Be Missing You | (Bad Boy/Arista) |
| 3 4 | No Doubt/Don't Speak Aqua/Barbie Girl | (Trauma/Interscope) |
| 5 | Will Smith/Men In Black | (Universal/MCA) (Columbia) |
| 6 | Toni Braxton/Un-Break My Heart | (LaFace/Arista) |
| 7 | Sarah Brightman & Andrea Bocelli/Time To Say Goodbye | (East West) |
| 8 | Madonna/Don't Cry For Me Argentina | (Warner Brothers) |
| 9 | Ricky Martin/(Un, Dos, Tres) Maria Hanson/MMMBop | (Tristar/Columbia) (Mercury) |
| | R.Kelly/I Believe I Can Fly | (Jive) |
| 12 | | (East West America) |
| 13 14 | Robert Miles feat. Maria Nayler/One & One Bellini/Samba De Janeiro | (DBX) |
| | Gala/Freed From Desire | (Virgin) (Do It Yourself) |
| 16 | | (Virgin) |
| 17 | | (Byte Blue/MCA) |
| 18 | Gala/Let A Boy Cry | (Do It Yourself) |
| 19 | Spice Girls/2 Become 1 Prodigy/Breathe | (Virgin) (XL) |
| | Wes/Alane | (Saint George/Columbia) |
| | Spice Girls/Who Do You Think You Are/Mama | (Virgin) |
| | Backstreet Boys/As Long As You Love Me | (Jive) |
| | Eternal feat. BeBe Winans/I Wanna Be The Only One Backstreet Boys/Everybody (Backstreet's Back) | (1st Avenue/EMI) |
| | No Mercy/When I Die | (Jive) (MCI/Arista) |
| | Coolio/C U When U Get There | (Tommy Boy) |
| | Paradisio/Bailando | (Dance Development) |
| | Sash/Ecuador Andrea Bocelli/Con Te Partiro | (Byte Blue) (Sugar/Polydor) |
| | DJ Quicksilver/I Have A Dream / Bellissima | (Dos Or Die) |
| 32 | | (EMI) |
| | Bee Gees/Alone | (Polydor) |
| 35 | White Town/>Abort, Retry, Fail?_Your Woman Ultra Nate/Free | (Brilliant!) (A&M) |
| 36 | Tic Tac Toe/Warum? | (RCA) |
| 37 | Whitney Houston/Step By Step | (Arista) |
| 38 | Backstreet Boys/Quit Playing Games (With My Heart) | (Jive) |
| | Sashl/Stay Dario G/Sunchyme | (Byte Blue) |
| | U2/Discothèque | (WEA) (Island) |
| | Lutricia McNeal/Ain't That Just The Way | (Siljemark) |
| | 3T/I Need You | (MJJ/Epic) |
| 44 | The Blue Boy/Remember Me Meredith Brooks/Bitch | (Pharm) |
| | Janet Jackson/Got Til It's Gone | (Capitol) (Virgin) |
| | Tic Tac Toe/Verpiss Dich | (RCA) |
| 1 | Daft Punk/Around The World | (Virgin) |
| | Spice Girls/Say You'll Be There | (Virgin) |
| 50 | The Verve/Bittersweet Symphony No Mercy/Where Do You Go | (Hut/Virgin) (MCI/Arista) |
| | Nana/Lonely | (Motor) |
| 53 | Michael Jackson/Blood On The Dance Floor | (Epic) |
| | Skunk Anansie/Hedonism (Just Because You Feel Good) | (One Little Indian) |
| | Khaled/Aicha 2 Be 3/Partir Un Jour | (Barclay) |
| | Celine Dion & Barbra Streisand/Tell Him | (EMI) (Columbia) |
| 58 | The Notorious B.I.G./Puff Daddy/ Mase/Mo Money Mo Problems | (Puff Daddy) |
| | The Cardigans/Lovefool | (Stockholm) |
| | Shola Ama/You Might Need Somebody Babyface feat. Stevie Wonder/How Come, How Long | (WEA) |
| | Sabrina Sethur/Du Liebst Mich Nicht | (Epic) |
| 63 | Apollo Four Forty/Ain't Tulkin' Bout Dub | (Stealth Sonic/Epic) |
| | Katrina & The Waves/Love Shine A Light | (Eternal/WEA) |
| | Blackstreet feat. Dr. Dre/No Diggity Lara Fabian/Tout | (Interscope) |
| | N-Trance feat. Rod Stewart/DYa Think I'm Sexy? | (Polydor) (All Around The World) |
| | R. Kelly/Gotham City | (Jive) |
| | David Charvet/Should I Leave | (RCA) |
| | Backstreet Boys/Anywhere For You | (Jive) |
| 1 | Braids/Bohemian Rhapsody Bell, Book & Candle/Rescue Me | (Big Beat/Atlantic) (Ariola) |
| | Oasis/DYou Know What I Mean? | (Creation/Sony) |
| 74 | Alexia/Uh La La La | (DWA/Dance Pool) |
| | Boyzone/Words | (Polydor) |
| 1 | Faithless/Insomnia B.B.E./Flash | (Cheeky) |
| 1 | Rammstein/Engel | (Labels) (Motor) |
| | Poetic Lovers/Prenons Notre Temps | (M6 Int.) |
| | C-Block/So Strung Out | (Warner Brothers) |
| | Olive/You're Not Alone | (RCA) |
| | Warren G feat. Adina Howard/What's Love Got To Do With It Alliage/Baila | (Interscope) (Bax Dance) |
| | Tori Amos/Professional Widow | (East West) |
| 85 | Chilli feat. Carrapicho/Tic, Tic, Tac | (MCI) |
| | 'N Sync/Tearing Up My Heart Deposite Medg/Parrel Of A Curr | (Ariola) |
| | Depeche Mode/Barrel Of A Gun Members Of Mayday/Sonic Empire | (Mute) (Low Spirit) |
| | Dune/Who Wants To Live Forever | (Low Spirit) (Orbit) |
| | B Real/B Rhymes/Coolio/LL Cool J/Method/Hit 'Em High (Monstars Anthem) | (Atlantic/East West) |
| | Aaron Carter/Crush On You | (Edel) |
| | Michael Jackson/History/Ghosts No Mercy/Please Don't Go | (Epic) |
| | Scooter/Fire | (MCI/Arista) (Edel) |
| | Florent Pagny/Savoir Aimer | (Mercury) |
| | Barbra Streisand & Bryan Adams/I Finally Found Someone | (A&M) |
| | Pappa Bear/Cherish Texas/Say What You Want | (Universal) |
| | DJ Quicksilver/Free | (Mercury) (Dos Or Die) |
| | Era/Ameno | (Mercury) |

European Top 100 Albums 1997

| 4 | Artist/Title | (Label) |
|------|---|---|
| | SPICE GIRLS/SPICE | (VIRGIN) |
| | Andrea Bocelli/Romanza No Doubt/Tragic Kingdom | (Sugar/Polydor) (Trauma/Interscope) |
| | U2/Pop | (Island) |
| 5 | Toni Braxton/Secrets | (LaFace/Arista) |
| | Soundtrack/Evita | (Warner Brothers) |
| | Andrea Bocelli/Bocelli Celine Dion/Falling Into You | (Sugar/Polydor) (Epic/Columbia) |
| | Backstreet Boys/Backstreet's Back | (Jive) |
| 10 | Prodigy/The Fat Of The Land | (XL) |
| | Oasis/Be Here Now | (Creation/Sony) |
| | The Verve/Urban Hymns Michael Jackson/Blood On The Dance Floor—HIStory In | (Hut/Virgin) (Epic) |
| | The Rolling Stones/Bridges To Babylon | (Virgin) |
| | Backstreet Boys/Backstreet Boys | (Jive) |
| | Radiohead/OK Computer | (Parlophone) |
| | Texas/White On Blonde | (Mercury) |
| | Elton John/The Big Picture Jamiroquai/Travelling Without Moving | (Rocket) (Sony S2) |
| | Des Cassification W. A. | (Polydor |
| 21 | Depeche Mode/Ultra | (Mute) |
| | Aqua/Aquarium | (Universal) |
| | No Mercy/My Promise Tic Tac Toe/Klappe Die 2te | (MCI/Arista) |
| | Era/Era | (RCA) (Mercury) |
| | Skunk Anansie/Stoosh | (One Little Indian) |
| | Spice Girls/Spiceworld | (Virgin) |
| | Hanson/Middle Of Nowhere | (Mercury) |
| | Zucchero Fornaciari/The Best Of Zucchero—Greatest Hits Eros Ramazzotti/Eros | (Polydor) (DDD/BMG) |
| | Fic Tac Toe/Tic Tac Toe | (DDD/BMG) (RCA) |
| | Joe Cocker/Across From Midnight | (Capitol) |
| | Julio Iglesias/Tango | (Columbia) |
| | Aerosmith/Nine Lives | (Columbia) |
| | George Michael/Older Jon Bon Jovi/Destination Anywhere | (Virgin) (Mercury) |
| | Soundtrack/Space Jam | (Atlantic/East West) |
| | Eros Ramazzotti/Dove C'E Musica | (DDD) |
| | The Kelly Family/Almost Heaven | (Kel-Life/EMI) |
| | Soundtrack/Romeo + Juliet | (Capitol) |
| | Puff Daddy/No Way Out Mariah Carey/Butterfly | (Bad Boy/Arista) |
| | Alanis Morissette/Jagged Little Pill | (Columbia) (Maverick/Reprise) |
| | Pascal Obispo/Superflu | (Epic) |
| 45 l | Portishead/Portishead | (Go!Beat) |
| | Simply Red/Greatest Hits | (East West) |
| | Blur/Blur Fugees/The Score | (Food/Parlophone) (Ruffhouse/Columbia) |
| | Janet Jackson/The Velvet Rope | (Virgin) |
| | Jean Michel Jarre/Oxygène 7-13 | (Dreyfus/Epic) |
| | Celine Dion/Let's Talk About Love | (Epic/Columbia) |
| | Pino Daniele/Dimmi Cosa Succede Sulla Terra | (CGD) |
| | Rammstein/Sehnsucht Björk/Homogenic | (Motor) (Mother/One Little Indian) |
| | Sarah Brightman/LSO/Timeless | (East West) |
| | Enya/Paint The Sky With Stars | (WEA) |
| | Celine Dion/Live A Paris | (Epic/Columbia) |
| | Wolfgang Petry/Alles | (Hansa) |
| | Supertramp/Some Things Never Change Patricia Kaas/Dans Ma Chair | (EMI) (Columbia) |
| | Genesis/Calling All Stations | (Vingin) |
| 62 | John Fogerty/Blue Moon Swamp | (Warner Brothers) |
| | The Offspring/Ixnay On The Hombre | (Epitaph/Columbia) |
| | Jovanotti/Lorenzo 1997—L'Albero 2 Be 3/Partir Un Jour | (Soleluna/Mercury) |
| | Paul McCartney/Flaming Pie | (EMI) (Parlophone) |
| | Enigma/Le Roi Est Mort, Vive Le Roi! | (Virgin) |
| | Daft Punk/Homework | (Virgin) |
| | Meredith Brooks/Blurring The Edges | (Capitol) |
| | Rod Stewart/If We Fall In Love Tonight Beautiful South/Blue Is The Colour | (Warner Brothers) |
| | Lisa Stansfield/Lisa Stansfield | (Go! Discs) (Arista) |
| | Metallica/Re-Load | (Vertigo) |
| 74 V | Wolfgang Petry/Nie Genug | (Hansa) |
| | Jean-Jacques Goldman/En Passant | (Columbia) |
| | Wu-Tang Clan/Wu-Tang Forever | (Loud/RCA) |
| | The Chemical Brothers/Dig Your Own Hole Vaya Con Dios/The Best Of Vaya Con Dios | (Virgin) (Ariola) |
| | Ligabue/Su E Giu' Da Un Palco | (WEA) |
| | Litfiba/Mondi Sommersi | (CGD) |
| | Mylène Farmer/Live A Bercy | (Polydor) |
| | Gee Gees/The Very Best Of The Bee Gees Lighthouse Family/Ocean Drive | (Polydor) |
| | Vana/Nana | (Wild Card/Polydor) (Motor) |
| | Soundtrack/The Preacher's Wife | (Arista) |
| 86 A | Andre Rieu/Strauss & Co | (Mercury) |
| | Bob Dylan/Time Out Of Mind | (Columbia) |
| | Ooc Gyneco/Première Consultation Andrea Bocelli/Viaggio Italiano | (Virgin) |
| | Michael Jackson/HIStory—Past Present & Future Book 1 | (Sugar/Polydor) (Epic) |
| | Eric Gadd/The Right Way | (Strawberry) |
| | Eternal/Before The Rain | (1st Avenue/EMI) |
| | AM/L'Ecole Du Micro D'Argent | (Delabel) |
| | Bob Dylan/The Best Of Bob Dylan | (Columbia) |
| | Robert Miles/Dreamland Suede/Coming Up | (DBX) |
| | Chaled/Sahra | (Nude/Sony) (Barclay) |
| | ucio Dalla/Canzoni | (Pressing) |
| | | |
| 99 I | aura Pausini/La Cose Che Vivi | (CGD) |

The Hot 100 and the Top 100 are compliled from the period weeks 1-50, 1997



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Chart shares show Europeans shining



PolyGram



Hitmakers '97 (from top): Elton John, Andrea Bocelli, Bee Gees. Ricky Martin and Puff Daddy

Analysis by Emmanuel Legrand

1997 was a Virgin year. The EMI-owned label was the top label in the singles and albums categories, and helped EMI become the leading company of the year in Music & Media's year-end analysis of the European Top 100 Albums charts. PolyGram came second in the albums listing, but was the leading singles company, thanks largely to Elton John's Candle In The Wind '97.

he acquisition of Virgin from Richard Branson five years ago looks like being one of the smartest moves EMI CEO Jim Fifield has ever made. In 1997, Virgin dominated both the singles and albums charts, and was by far EMI's most successful imprint.

Virgin's position can be attributed partly to the ongoing success of the Spice Girls, with two entries on Music & Media's Top 100 Albums list for 1997, including the No.1, Spice. But the label's success should not be reduced to the Spice Girls alone. Its healthy showing was helped by albums from Andrea Bocelli, U2, Texas, Elton John, the Bee Gees, Era, Hanson, Zucchero, Jon Bon Jovi, Rammstein, Jovanotti, Beautiful South, Metallica, Mylene Farmer, Lighthouse Family, Nana, Andre Rieu and Khaled.

PolyGram also performed well on the singles year-end chart, the Dutch company jumping to No.1 and trading places with EMI, last year's top singles company. Of course, the Candle In The Wind factor accounts for a large part of PolyGram's showing, but year, explaining the company's drop to fourth position.

For its part, BMG can be grateful to the A&R savvy of Arista's chief executive Clive Davis, who supplied the German company with some of its most successful artists in 1997, including Puff Daddy and Toni Braxton. BMG also benefited from the success of German rap band Tic Tac Toe, Italian singer Eros Ramazzotti, and dance act No Mercy.

Warner Music drops back

Although it was anticipated as being a difficult year, 1997 will surely be remembered by Warner Music as its "annus horibilis." The company's album chart share dropped below the 10 percent mark-from 17.1 percent last year—and its ranking slipped to number 5 against 4 in 1996.

Warner Music had 12 albums in the year-end Top 100 album chart, but the only notable Warner presence in the upper echelons was the soundtrack of *Evita*. On the singles front, that album supplied Warner's biggest single hit, Madonna's rendition of Don't Cry For Me Argentina (number 8 in the year-end chart). A series of key releases in 1998, including a new Madonna studio album, may reverse the downward trend.

Chart share: albums by company (%)

| | | | | _ |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|
| | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 |
| EMI | 24.5 | 21.1 | 17.7 | 13.9 |
| PolyGram | 23.9 | 19.7 | 25.0 | 24.0 |
| Sony | 15.6 | 19.9 | 18.0 | 14.8 |
| BMG | 12.9 | 12.3 | 9.8 | 14.1 |
| Warner | 9.9 | 17.1 | 15.8 | 9.8 |
| Universal | 4.8 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Others | 8.4 | 9.5 | 13.7 | 23.4 |
| | | | | |

Chart share: singles by company (%)

| | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 |
|-----------|------|------|------|-------|
| PolyGram | 19.2 | 17.0 | 20.7 | 24.0 |
| EMI | 17.7 | 21.5 | 16.6 | 13.9 |
| BMG | 15.0 | 13.8 | 15.5 | 14.1 |
| Sony | 14.2 | 16.5 | 14.6 | 14.8 |
| Warner | 10.4 | 11.1 | 10.0 | 9.8 · |
| Universal | 6.3 | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Others | 17.2 | 20.1 | 23.1 | 23.4 |

domination of the albums and singles charts also owes much to an in-depth roster including The Verve—undoubtedly the unexpected pan-European hit of the year—the Rolling Stones, George Michael, whose Older stayed strong in 1997-Janet Jackson, Enigma, The Chemical Brothers and French techno band Daft Punk.

In the album charts, EMI may have held on to last year's company crown, but the pacemaker this year was PolyGram, which swept ahead of Sony Music to take the number 2. The chartshare figures show an 8.3 percent gap between PolyGram and its close rival, BMG, which jumped to the number four slot, ahead of Warner Music.

Trading places

The singles charts were dominated by PolyGram, followed by EMI, down from last year's top position, then BMG, boosted by Puff Daddy's I'll Be Missing You (Bad Boy/Arista). Sony Music in fourth place was slightly down on its 1996 share; it was followed by Warner Music and Universal, which scored one of the top hits of the year with No Doubt's Don't Speak.

PolyGram made a strong recovery in 1997, returning to the album chart share it held three years ago. That the company also had a string of hits with Andrea Bocelli, Hanson, the Bee Gees and U2, among others.

Dion, Oasis do it for Sony

Sony Music benefited from strong performances from Celine Dion, Oasis, Michael Jackson, Jamiroquai, Julio Iglesias, Aerosmith and Bob Dylan, plus leading French acts Patricia Kaas and Jean-Jacques Goldman.

The situation was less rosy on the singles front where, apart from Will Smith's Men In Black and Ricky Martin's (Un Dos Tres) Maria, Sony Music lacked pan-European hits this

Universal debuts

For the first time, Music & Media year-end charts take into account Universal, which secured a 4.8 percent share in the albums charts and a 6.3 percent share of singles.

Universal, which now has standalone offices in most of the European countries, still relies heavily on material provided by its US parent company-mainly the Interscope roster which includes No Doubt-but scored its first massive pan-European hit with a European act, thanks to Danish band Aqua. The single *Barbie* Girl and album Aquarium showed powerfully in their respective charts, and Barbie Girl topped the end of year Border Breakers listing.

Chart share: singles by label (%)

| Label | Percentage |
|------------|------------|
| Virgin | 6.6 |
| Jive | 4.4 |
| Columbia | 4.2 |
| Mercury | 3.7 |
| RCA | 3.4 |
| Polydor | 2.9 |
| EMI | 2.6 |
| East West | 2.5 |
| Bad Boy/Ar | rista 2.4 |
| D 1 | 0.4 |

Chart share: albums by label (%)

| Label | Percentage |
|-------------|------------|
| Virgin | 10.2 |
| Columbia | 5.3 |
| Sugar/Polyd | or 4.9 |
| Mercury | 4.7 |
| Polydor | 3.8 |
| RCA | 3.2 |
| EMI | 3.2 |
| Epic | 2.8 |
| Jive | 2.5 |
| Warner Bros | 3. 2.4 |

Girls, veterans and R&B: radio's recipe for '97

Analysis by Mike McGeever

1997 saw radio programmers across Europe serving up a main course of R&B, a genre which proved itself capable of breaking into the playlists of CHR, and even AC-formatted outlets. There was also a significant return of veteran acts to the airways, which gladdened many programmers' hearts.

uropean radio programmers'
1997 airplay menus were
heavily spiced with "girl
power," plus huge portions of R
& B and some tasty entrées
served up by veteran artists.

The Spice Girls' fate in 1998 has been the subject of much recent speculation within the music and radio industries, but the quintet certainly commanded significant portions of airtime during the last year. Many programmers have emphasised that this was fuelled by the U.K. act's relentless tours of stations and their frequent PA forays across Europe.

The 1997 roundup of Music & Media's European Radio Top 50 reveals the Virgin Records act closing out the year with four enties—more

than any other act—on the chart. They are: Spice Up Your Life (14); Who Do You Think You Are? (20); Mama (45); and 2 Become 1 (46). In 1996, when they were still considered newcomers, the Girls only grabbed one spot on the chart, their debut single Wannabe achieving a No.7 slot for the year.

R&B storms playlists

But, impressive as their statistics may

be, the Spice Girls are just one act. It was a genre— R&B—which dominated European playlists in 1997.

Three R&B singles secured positions in the top eight slots for year-end airplay. Coolio, Puff Daddy

and Will Smith opened the doors for R&B to gain entry to playlist meetings, giving the genre a place at the head of the table. Puff Daddy & Faith Evans' cover of Sting/Police's I'll Be Missing You (Bad Boy/Arista) topped Music & Media's European Radio Top 50 for 1997. Below that, buoyed by the success of the movie of the same name last summer, Will Smith's Men In Black (Columbia) came in at number 3, maintaining the R&B airplay pace for the year set by fellow U.S. artist Coolio. The latter's C U When U Get There (Tommy Boy) clocks in at number 8 in M&M's 1997 European Radio

The R&B flavour in Toni Braxton's output helped cement her crossover from dance to CHR stations—and even to some AC broadcasters—throughout 1997. Braxton's I Don't Want You and Un-Break My Heart (LaFace/Arista) are positioned at

number 32 and 36 in the airplay chart wrap-up.

Boy power holds its own

Although 1997 will be remembered as the year of "girl power," there was still a bumper crop of boy bands in the top 50. Overnight sensations Hanson's MMM Bop (Mercury) proved one of the perfect summer songs for European programmers. The track finished in the number 2 spot, while the band's Where's The Love hit number 21.

The last year also saw the return of some veteran acts who achieved substantial airplay. Described as a "gift from rock heaven" by programmers, the Rolling Stones' single Anybody Seen My Baby? from the album Bridges To Babylon (Virgin) scored a No.1 airplay hit in October—the first time that's happened to a Stones track in over a decade.

(Label)

European Hot Radio Top 50 1997

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| | 37 Michael Jackson/History | (Epic) |
| | 38 Oasis/DYou Know What I Mean | (Creation/Sony) |
| | 39 Depeche Mode/It's No Good | (Mute) |
| | 40 Whitney Houston/Step By Step | (Arista) |
| | 41 Lighthouse Family/Raincloud | (Wild Card) |
| | 42 Elton John/Something About The Way You Look Tonight | (Rocket) |
| | 43 INXS/Elegantly Wasted | (Mercury) |
| | 44 Gary Barlow/Love Won't Wait | (RCA) |
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Aqua lead the Nordic Border Breakers

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Analysis by Emmanuel Legrand

Scandinavia has provided the breath of fresh air to Music and Media's 1997 Border Breakers Top 50 chart, with the top three tracks all emanating from the north. Italy also supplied Europe with a stream of hits which refused to be confined within that country's borders.

wind of change is blowing across Europe from the north. You might expect the air from Scandinavia to be cold, but on the musical front, it's hotter than ever—this year's top three tracks on M&M's year-end Border Breakers airplay chart were all nurtured in that area. The three are: Aqua's Barbie Girl (Universal), the Cardigans' Lovefool (Trampolene) and Lutricia McNeal's Ain't That Just The Way (Siljemark).

This new northern exposure marks a contrast with last year's Border Breakers charts, which had a greater Latin feel, with Los Del Rio's Macarena (Spain) and Eros Ramazzotti's Più Bella Cosa (Italy) in the year-end Top 3.

In 1997, Sweden (with the Cardigans, Lutricia McNeal, Robyn, Gessle, and Vacuum) and Denmark (Aqua, Maria Montell and Michael Learns To Rock), confirmed the status of northern Europe as a powerful sup-

Country of signing

plier of European hits and a major source of repertoire for the world.

That status is best exemplified by the winners of this year's Border Breakers crown, Aqua, whose Barbie Girl became a No.1 hit single on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean, a feat few continental European acts have achieved to date.

Another country which has consistently supplied Europe with a string of hit tracks and artists is Italy. This year is no exception, whether with Eurodance (Gala, Alexia, Robert Miles) or more traditional "canzone" (Eros Ramazzotti, Zucchero, Nek). Ramazzotti (DDD/BMG) scored two major hits in 1997, Quanto Amore Sei and Dove C'e Musica, pushing his Eros album to new sales heights.

Robert Miles (DBX), who really broke into the bigtime in 1996 with his radio-friendly "dreamhouse," continued to enjoy success this year with One & One, which featured in 1996's Border Breakers Top 25). This year's Freedom confirmed that the Swissborn Italian-based DJ—now living in the U.K.—is no one-hit-wonder.

Germany scores the highest number of songs in the year-end chart, with no less than 18 tracks charted in the Border Breakers Top 50. Most of the material crossing borders from Germany could be filed under Eurodance—Bellini, No Mercy, DJ Quicksilver, 2 Eivissa, Mr. President and others

The Border Breakers airplay chart identifies tracks based on their country of signing, regardless of their nationality (which is why veteran U.K. act Supertramp, signed to EMI France, appear in the Border Breakers charts with two songs) and their aptitude to break on radio stations outside their country of signing.

Titles in the upper part of the Border Breakers charts usually enjoy a strong pan-European life on radio—Aqua (again), Sash!, Gala, Daft Punk and Bellini were some of this year's radio programmers favourites right across Europe.

However, a close analysis of the tracks featured in the year-end Border Breakers charts reinforces the belief that, for songs to become pan-European hits, they must be either be sung in English (would *Barbie Girl* have made the same international career if it had been sung in Danish?) or largely instrumental (Robert Miles, Daft Punk, Jean-Michel Jarre, B.B.E.).

The only non-English tracks to score usually have an "exotic" feel like Wes' Alane, Khaled's Aicha, Paradiso's Bailando or Carrapicho's Tic Tic Tac. The only major exception is Eros Ramazzotti, who has built an empire in Central Europe with his Italian-language songs, but who still has to cross the Channel.

So, does that prove that European radio programmers are simply not ready to take risks with songs in any other language than their own or English? If so, at a time when economic borders across the continent seem to be breaking down, that's a somewhat disturbing thought.

Border Breakers Top 50 1997

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| 1 | Aqua/Barbie Girl | (Universal) | |
| 2 | Cardigans/Lovefool | (Trampolene) | |
| 3 | Lutricia McNeal/Ain't That Just The Way | (Siljemark) | |
| 4 | Sash!/Ecuador | (Byte Blue) | |
| 5 | Eros Ramazzotti/Quanto Amore Sei | (DDD/BMG) | |
| 6 | Gala/Freed From Desire | (Do It Yourself) | |
| 7 | Sash!/Encore Une Fois | (Byte Blue) | |
| 8 | Bellini/Samba De Janeiro | (Virgin) | |
| 9 | Robert Miles/One & One | (DBX) | |
| 10 | Supertramp/You Win, I Lose | (EMI) | |
| 11 | Daft Punk/Around The World | (Virgin) | |
| 12 | Sash!/Stay | (Byte Blue) | |
| 13 | Alexia/Uh La La | (DWA) | |
| 14 | Wes/Alane | (Saint George) | |
| 15 | Robyn/Do You Know (What It Takes) | (Ricochet) | |
| 16 | Jam & Spoon/Kaleidoscope Skies | (Dance Pool) | |
| 17 | Eros Ramazzotti/Dove C'E Musica | | |
| 18 | No Mercy/When I Die | (DDD/BMG) | |
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| 20 | Maria Montell/And So The Story Goes (Di L | | |
| | Fool's Garden/Why Did She Go? | (Intercord) | |
| $\begin{array}{c} 21 \\ 22 \end{array}$ | Gala/Let A Boy Cry | (Do It Yourself) | |
| 23 | No Mercy/Please Don't Go | (MCI) | |
| | DJ Quicksilver/Bellissima | (Dos Or Die) | |
| 24 | Nek/Laura Non C'E | (WEA) | |
| 25 | 2 Eivissa/Ooh La La La | (Club Tools) | |
| 26 | Whirlpool Productions/From Disco To Disco | | |
| 27 | B.B.E./Flash | (Triangle) | |
| 28 | No Mercy/Kiss You All Over | (MCI) | |
| 29 | Paradisio/Bailando (Dan | ce Development) | |
| 30 | Daft Punk/Da Funk | (Virgin) | |
| 31 | Chilli feat. Carrapicho/Tic Tic Tac | (RCA) | |
| 32 | Soultans/I Heard It Through The Grapevine | (Coconut) | |
| 33 | Fool's Garden/Probably | (Intercord) | |
| 34 | Nana/Lonely | (Urban) | |
| 35 | Jean-Michel Jarre/Oxygène 8 | (Dreyfus) | |
| 36 | No Mercy/Where Do You Go | (MCI) | |
| 37 | Michael Learns To Rock/Paint My Love | (EMI-Medley) | |
| 38 | Gessle/Do You Wanna Be My Baby? | (EMI) | |
| 39 | Robert Miles/Freedom | (DBX) | |
| 40 | Soultans/Every Little Move | (Coconut) | |
| 41 | Kelly Family/Fell In Love With An Alien | (Kel-Life) | |
| 42 | Axelle Red/Ma Prière | (Virgin) | |
| 43 | Mr. President/Jojo Action | (WEA) | |
| 44 | Vacuum/I Breathe | (Stockholm) | |
| 45 | Warren G & Sissel/Prince Igor | (Mercury) | |
| 46 | Cardigans/Your New Cuckoo | (Trampolene) | |
| 47 | Khaled/Aïcha | (Barclay) | |
| 48 | S. Brightman & A. Bocelli/Time To Say Goo | | |
| 49 | Rosana/El Talisman | (MCA) | |
| 10 | Toodia Et Tuttollull | (IVICA) | |

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(EMI)

A new song for Europe? The year in...

Music 12 months of restructuring

by Emmanuel Legrand

This year will be remembered in the music industry for Elton John's Candle In The Wind 1997, which ignited singles charts around the world, becoming the best selling single of all time along the way.

However, the circumstances surrounding that release were exceptional, and should not overshadow the fact that 1997 was a year when the music industry had to adapt to new market conditions. They included: slower growth; reduced margins; retail pressure; increasing competition from other leisure goods. PolyGram set the scene early in the year by announcing a major restructuring which cost more than 300 jobs.

Nevertheless, the picture is not uniformly bleak. IFPI mid-year figures showed that recorded music still has a powerful attraction for consumers, and the European music community is getting closer to the EU policy makers. On the legislative front, there has been some progress towards setting up a proper legal framework for the digital age.

In a music world where thinking is increasingly global, "local" appeal is growing in Europe. This has affected every single European country-not only those with a tradition of local repertoire domination, such as the U.K., or those, such as France, where local quotas reign.

The paradox is that, as the Euro-

Consolidation, expansion, branding and deregulation topped the agenda

for the European commercial radio

continued in maturing markets such

as the U.K., where major groups including GWR and Chrysalis made

significant acquisitions. GWR took con-

trol of national commercial station

Classic FM, while Chrysalis bought

Faze FM, the company which operated

the two Kiss FM dance stations in

Leeds and Manchester. Chrysalis rebranded the stations as Galaxy out-

lets, aiming to establish a semi-nation-

expansion outside the home territories

of some major broadcasters, and the

overall growth in European commercial radio which this initiated provided

new opportunities for advertisers, and

for new formats. The trend of broad-

casters looking beyond their own mar-

kets looks set to continue in 1998.

Consolidation was also a factor in

The trend towards consolidation

by Mike McGeever

industry in 1997.

al dance brand.

pean economy becomes more integrated, European consumers appear keener to support their own local artists and cultures. MTV, which has now fully localised its services, has learned this the

hard way. local/ The global interchange has another dimension. European artists now build their careers beyond their national borders (Eros Ramazzotti. Patricia Kaas, Zucchero, name a few). A hit song, even originating from a small (in size) European country, become a masworldsive wide hit. Anybody Seen Barbie Girl?

From top: Patricia Kaas, Eros Ramazzotti. Ligabue

French media company Europe Développement International (EDI) invested in an emerging market—

Turkey-by backing the relaunch of

national Turkish pop station Genç

Radyo/Istanbul and establishing two

Turkish national networks, PopNet

and HitNet, as well as Fulmedya, an

advertising sales house. EDI was the first foreign company to invest in

Meanwhile, Paris-based NRJ saw

opportunities in Norway and backed

its judgement with a substantial

investment in CHR broadcaster Radio Oslofjord/Nesoddem. NRJ has

promised a "new sound" for the Nor-

such as Austria and Eastern Europe

led to a frenzy of bidding for commer-

cial radio licences from home and

abroad. There also are strong pointers

toward potential growth in Eastern

Europe, as exemplified by the Czech

Republic. Advertising revenue there

grew to Kc908.9m (£26.7 million) in

Elsewhere, deregulation in markets

Turkey's media industry.

wegian station's audience.

Radio Consolidation and growth



by Christian Lorenz

Looking at the European music scene as 1997 draws to a close, it seems that cheesy pop and novelty dance records no longer represent the typical "Euro" record-instead, we have a vibrant hothouse of diverse creativity.

The range on offer is dazzlingfrom classically trained singers such Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli

(Sugar/Polydor) or Belgium's Helmut Lotti (BMG), to the catchy pop tunes of Germany's Tic Tac Toe (RCA), Jive's Backstreet Boys (a U.S. act with a Dutch contract and a Swedish production team) or the U.K.'s Spice Girls (Virgin).

1997 also marked the return of the male "entertainer," with the main exponents hailing from Eros. Ramazzotti (DDD/BMG) and Zucchero (Polydor) have matured into astute solo artists with strong stage presences, and their popularity is spreading fast across Europe.

Blessed with time to develop

their style in their respective home countries, rock acts such as Germany's Rammstein (Motor/PolyGram), Italy's Ligabue (WEA) or the U.K.'s Radiohead (Parlophone) have contributed to something of a creative renaissance in the genre this year.

Meanwhile, France's Daft Punk established a fad of their own-techno funk. Their album Homework (Virgin)-68 on the year end album chart-drew attention to a new source of exciting repertoire from France; artists such as Motorbass, DJ Cam and Bosco.

Last, but not least, there is "electronica." In 1997. European dance In 1997, European dance music shed its "nicey nice" image, went berserk and conquered the U.S. rock market. U.K. acts, such as The Prodigy (XL), Death In Vegas (Virgin) and The Chemical Brothers (Virgin) in particular found crossover success in the rock and mainstream markets this year.

Europe now has the stars it always wanted. The main task for the record industry, however, will be to avoid an untimely creative burn-out of its protegés in 1998.

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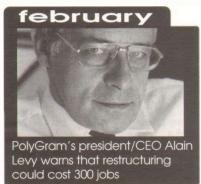






1997, an increase of \$1.9 million.











IFPI's Nic Garnett announces a zero tolerance' policy on pirates



1997: the year at a

That was the year that was... Highlights of 1997 from the news pages of M&M. compiled by Terry Heath.

January

EMI announces the foundation of a new charity, The Music Sound Foundation, as part of the company's centenary celebrations... A new law gives Sweden's Broadcasting Commission powers to impose fines up to Skr5 million (US\$730,000) on radio stations which contravene rules on objectivity, advertising and sponsorship... In the U.K., alternative rock radio station Xfm is awarded London's last full 8-year FM commercial licence... French industry body SNEP renews its charts contract with IFOP and Tite-Live for a four-year period, at an estimated annual cost of Ffr7 million (\$1.2 million)... The Dutch **Mega Top 50** sales charts are expanded to 100 positions... The Swedish Polar Music Prize is won for the first time by a Swede-conductor Eric Ericsson-but it's with American Bruce shared Springsteen... During Midem, a summit on European mechanical rights agrees that direct distribution will be abandoned, in return for collecting societies reducing commission rates... A major theme of Midem is the challenge posed by digital technology to the radio and music businesses.

February

The creation of a Spanish Academy of Music is hailed by authors' society SGAE as "the most important initiative in the 40 years Spain has had a music industry"... In Germany, artists and politicians petition the authorities to impose a 40 percent minimum quota of local product on music radio... The Spanish government announces plans for up to 650 new radio licences... PolyGram's global restructuring plan will cost 300 jobs in Europe, says president/CEO Alain Levy... Veteran acts honoured at the 1997 Victoires de la Musique awards in Paris include best male act Charles Aznavour (72) and best female act Barbara (63).

March

Denmark's first nationwide commercial radio network, Radio 2, goes onair with a CHR format... Sony Music Belgium splits the Columbia and Epic labels into separate divisions with their own marketing and promotions staff... Sony Music Italy scoops the major awards at the Sanremo Song Festival... Country Music Television relaunches its European programming service with an increased amount of new/cutting-edge artists... Laurent Gallavardin, PolyGram France sales and distribution MD, resigns for "personal reasons"... Italy's new anti-piracy federation, FPM, claims a reduction of one third in music pirates' market share during its first year of operations... Commercial radio in Austria gets government sanction, and plans for eight new regional and 45 new local stations... Italian media watchdog Ufficio del Garante launches a preliminary 'payola" investigation following allegations by the parliamentary opposition... Punk act Die Toten Hosen take top honours at the German Echo 1997 awards... Radio Ireland launches on schedule under new chief executive Dick Hill after Dan Collins is sacked... Lucian Grainge takes over from Frenchman Marc Lumbroso as managing director of Polydor U.K.

The **Dutch parliament** passes a new media law restricting ownership of terrestrial FM stations to one per company... The French music industry renews lobbying for a lower VAT rate on recordings and multi-media material, supported by president Jacques Chirac... The European Union announces it will tackle the international problem caused by Bulgarian music pirates... Top priority at the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry's bi-annual meeting is the global piracy threat posed by excessive growth of new CD manufacturing plants... Former Metronome managing director Albert Slendebroek is appointed MD of Warner Music Benelux to replace Ted Sikkink... Market research company Gallup inks a deal with broadcasters in Denmark to produce definitive radio audience fig-ures... French AC network Radio Nostalgie launches a music TV channel, Nostalgie-La Télé... Music Entertainment U.K. chairman and CEO Paul Burger tells the Radio Academy Music Radio '97 conference in London that the U.K singles chart should be slowed down by adding in radio airplay data... Rosana collects three top honours at Spain's Premios de la Musica awards.

The international copyright community agrees in Paris to progress plans for a global digital identification standard for all creative works... Fugees collect five and Celine Dion three awards at the World Music Awards in Monte Carlo... The Spanish government and major radio networks sign a treaty to speed the introduction of digital radio... Europe's rights societies continue to move towards harmony as the Netherlands' rights BUMA/STEMRA, and U.K. counterparts MCPS and PRS, sign a new collaboration agreement... The BBC's commercial arm, BBC Worldwide, launches a new division to exploit the radio network's extensive music archive material... IFPI director general Nic Garnett announces a "zero tolerance" initiative against the piracy which costs the industry US\$2 billion a year... After sixth months, the IFPI and European authors and publishers' body BIEM still can't agree on a new mechanical royalties deal... U.K. act Katrina & the Waves win the Eurovision Song Contest for Britain for the first time in 16 years, scoring the biggest points total in the history of the event with Love Shine A Light... U.K. commercial radio giant Capital Radio's bid to take over London rival and national broadcaster Virgin Radio for 64.7 million pounds (US\$106 million), is welcomed by Virgin chief Richard Branson, but the deal awaits sanction from regulator the Radio Authority... French broadcasting authority the CSA settles its frequency availability conflict with commercial radio broadcasters by deciding to redistribute some 300 FM frequencies... French CHR broadcaster NRJ plans the launch of a new pan-European chart show, the "Euro Hot 100."

The European Parliament devotes a whole day to hearing representations from the European music business... EMI restructures to put recorded music operations in the hands of Ken Berry, president/CEO of EMI Records Group International and chairman/CEO of Virgin Records... The Italian government passes the Maccanico Bill, an extensive new media law... The Swedish parliament extends its moratorium on new commercial radio licences to the end of 1998... Austrian musicians demand a 25 percent minimum quota of domestic product on public and commercial radio... The U.K.'s new Labour government chancellor, Gordon Brown, tells the Confederation of British Industry the government will give unprecedented support to the U.K. music business... The Norwegian government agrees to allow a limited amount of syndicated radio programming... Jean-Loup Tournier, president of French authors' rights society SACEM, asks other European countries to join France in adopting domestic product quotas for broadcast music... Dutch and U.K. authors' societies investigate the feasibility of a new U.K. sales chart incorporating airplay data... The board of French awards event Victoires de la Musique agrees to a re-vamp to restore its credibility with the music business.

French record industry body SNEP launches the European Association For Lower VAT On CDs... Belgian record labels gear up for expected legal changes in Flanders, allowing



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regional and national commercial radio networks on air for the first time... Subscriber-only multichannel audio service Music Choice Europe makes a deal with Telecom Finland to provide five channels of music to Finland's cable data service customers... The U.K.'s Chrysalis Radio acquires Kiss FM stations in Manchester and Leeds from Kiss brand licensee Faze FM for £17.5 million... The German Federal **Bureau For The Protection Of The** Constitution names Danish label NS Records as a producer and distributor of Nazi rock music to Germany and other European countries... Sales chart rules on pricing and formats come under fire in both Norway and the U.K.... Pan-European satellite music service DMX goes off-air and into receivership... The U.K.'s Radio Authority gives tentative approval to the Virgin Radio/Capital Radio deal, but the government's Office of Fair Trading still has to investigate... The German government bans a number of albums featuring neo-Nazi lyrics.

Italy's Radio Capital network announces a relaunch with a new image "to reintroduce the quality and soul into radio"... **BMG** Entertainment International G/S/A announces the grouping of its 11 Berlin-based labels under the newly-launched company BMG Berlin Musik... Austria's regional radio authority sifts more than 300 applications for eight regional and 55 local commercial radio licences on offer... UK commercial broadcaster Capital Radio launches a new record label, Wildstar, with Conner Reeves' debut single My Father's Son... Eight of Italy's leading commercial radio networks form a joint venture company to invest in the development of digital radio... German media consultancy Fritsch & Friends announces plans to offer German Net-surfers their first chance to download complete music tracks from its Internet site... U.K. CHR-formatted public broadcaster BBC Radio 1 loses half a million audience reach, pushing its weekly listener figures below 10 million for the first time... Organisers of the Midem Latin America and Carribean Music Market threaten to move from the Miami Beach Convention Center to Latin America next year, because of a ban on Cuban artists appearing in the U.S. city... The first anniversary of the IFPI Platinum Europe Awards shows a total of 86 new awards in the year to July 1997, making Europe "the world's largest and most culturally dynamic music market," according to the IFPI... Drum 'n' bass act Roni Size/Reprazent are the surprise winners of the U.K.'s prestigious Mercury Music Prize with the New Forms album.... German public station Radio Eins/Berlin launches with an "eclectic format" and a playlist of more than 20,000 titles.

September

Virgin Records launches a dedicated dance label, VC, in Sweden... Full-service broadcaster Radio Ireland's ratings flop-a one percent share of listening after five months on air-prompts a major programming overhaul... Spanish media giant **Telefonica** announces plans to revive Spanish radio group Antena 3 Radio, which was absorbed by Cadena SER in 1994... Denmark's Ministry of Culture receives 15 formal letters of interest from Scandinavian radio and media groups regarding the licence to operate the country's fourth national FM station... Virgin France chairman Patrick Zelnik announces he is quitting to pursue a "personal project"... London commercial alternative rock radio station Xfm launches on September 1, despite the death two days before of **Diana**, **Princess of Wales**... The Princess of Wales' funeral on September 6 attracts a 31 million U.K. TV audience and an estimated one billion worldwide, who see Elton John perform a live version of his specially rewritten Candle In The Wind '97... Emap Radio, owner of London dance station Kiss FM, withdraws Chrysalis Radio's right to use the Kiss brand in Manchester and Leeds... IFPI figures show global pirate CD sales at a new high of US\$5 billion in 1996... Spain's Council of Ministers announces that 350 new commercial FM radio licences are to become available.

October

French music TV channel MCM announces the acquisition of a 49 percent stake in Italy's new Match Music Satellite digital TV channel... The Italian music industry mobilises to protest against a 4 percent VAT hike (from 16 to 20 percent) on recorded music... The Swedish government scraps a state committee's proposals for stricter regulation of the local radio industry... In Germany, the merger of public broadcasters SWF and SDR to form SWR prompts industry complaints that government influence on the new entity will be unacceptable... French media conglomerate Lagardere plans the flotation its CHR radio network Skyrock to comply with anti-concentration legislation... IFPI figures show a growth in value of 2 percent for the European music market to US\$4.98 billion in the first half of 1997, at a time when global music sales remain flat... A reorganised Radio City is granted a new sixyear broadcasting licence by the Czech broadcasting authority... The European Broadcasting Union announces plans for the "first pan-European radio channel dedicated entirely to classical music," due for launch in early 1998.

November

Italian affiliates of major record companies BMG, EMI, PolyGram, Sony and WEA are found guilty of operating a price-fixing cartel by the country's anti-trust authority... European Union copyright commissioner Mario Monti gives a sympathetic hearing to a top-level record industry delegation asking for copyright protection on the Internet... Italian ministers promise the record industry they will lobby the EU to have records recognised as cultural artefacts to reduce VAT... Michael Oplesch quits as managing director of MTV Networks (Central)... Lagardere sells Parisbased domestic music station Chante France to venture capitalist IDI... **BMG Entertainment Europe** loses senior Central Europe VP Arnold Bahlmann to CLT-UFA... Island Records founder and chairman Chris Blackwell leaves the company after three years of his five-year contract, reportedly without any financial compensation, citing differences with PolyGram president and CEO Alain Levy... Elton John's Candle In The Wind '97 (Rocket) single shipped 5.3 million units in the U.K. alone by the end of September, and is the biggestselling single of all time... Emap France confirms it is in talks with Lagardere to buy French CHR network Skyrock... The Spice Girls are booed off stage after a dispute over photography rights at the Premios Ondas awards in Barcelona... European record labels are unhappy with a leaked EU directive intended to bolster copyright protection in the digital era... MTV Europe hands programming and day-to-day business control to its individual regional services... French radio group NRJ gains 8.1 million potential listeners in regulator CSA's new allocation plan for FM frequencies...

December

All EU culture ministers except those from Germany and Denmark express backing for a lower VAT rate for recorded music at a meeting in Brussels... German president Roman Herzog meets the heads of the three main German music industry organisations... The Spice Girls, Rosana, Ricky Martin, Celine Dion and Gloria Estefan, score at the debut Spanish Premios Amigo awards... U.K. broadcasting minister Mark Fisher meets the Forum, a group of independent radio broadcasters, to discuss future development of the radio industry... Spanish music radio pioneer Rafael Revert is ousted from AC/CHR network Cadena 100 in what he claims is a "presenter power" coup... French radio group NRJ threatens to pull out of Belgium, alleging "unfair competition"... U.K. radio/TV presenter Chris Evans' Ginger Productions buys national commercial network Virgin Radio for £85 million, pipping Capital Radio's £87m bid which had been stalled by the U.K.'s Monopolies Mergers Commission... French minister of culture Catherine Trautmann announces the creation of a new commission to review the problems being faced by the music industry... The German Association of Commercial Radio and television broadcasters calls for the country's public broadcasters to be to cultural restricted educational programming.





86 awards from IFPI in 1997 emphasise Europe's status as the 'world's largest and most culturally dynamic music market

september



Patrick Zelnik quits his chairmanship of Virgin France to pursue 'personal projects'

october France's MCM aquires a 49% stake in Italy's Match Music Satellite digital TV channel

november

Arnold Bahlmann leaves BMG Entertainment to join CLT-UFA





Rafael Revert is ousted from Spain's Cadena 100 station in what he claims is a 'presenter power' coup

The way we were: the 1997 M&M jukebox

Each year, the M&M Staff set aside their professional objectivity and pick their Top 10 albums and Top 5 singles on purely personal criteria. These are the tunes which lit our respective musical fires in 1997...

Emmanuel Legrand Editor in chief Albums

- 1. DJ Shadow/Entroducing (Mo' Wax) OK, it was released in 1996, but survived throughout 1997 on my CD player...

 2. Ry Cooder/Ibrahim
- Ferrer/Rubén Gonzalez/Eliades
 - Ochoa/Compay Segundo/Buena Vista Social Club (World Circuit)
- 3. Roni Size/Reprazent/New Forms (Talkin' Loud)
- Various/Jimmy Rogers—A Tribute (Egyptian Records/Columbia)
- 5. Talvin Singh/Presents Anokha—Soundz of the Asian Underground (Omni Records/Mango)
 Alpha/Come From Heaven (Melankolic)
- Radiohead/O.K. Computer (Parlophone)
- IAM/L'Ecole du Micro D'Argent (Delabel)
- Erykah Badu/Baduizm (Kedar Entertainment/Universal)
- 10. Miles Davis—Dark Magus (Columbia reissue)

Singles

- 1. The Verve/The Drugs Don't Work (Hut/Virgin)
- Finlay Quaye/Sunday Shining (Epic) Daft Punk/Da Funk (Virgin)
- Chemical Brothers/Block Rockin' Beats
- 5. Sylvia Powell/Cool Brother (Deconstruction)

Tom Ferguson Managing editor

- 1 Spiritualized/Ladies And Gentlemen We Are Floating In Space (Dedicated)
- 2. The Bathers/Kelvingrove Baby (Marina)
- 3. Edwyn Collins/I'm Not Following You (Setanta)
- 4. Jim White/Wrong-Eyed Jesus! (Luaka Bop/Warner Bros)
- 5. Steve Earle/El Corazon (Warner Bros)
- 6. Billy Mackenzie/Beyond The Sun (Nude)
- 7. Jackie Leven/Fairy Tales For Hard Men (Cooking Vinyl)
- 8. Son Volt/Straightaways (Warner Bros)
- 9. Echo & The Bunnymen/Evergreen (London)
 10 Nick Cave/The Boatman's Call (Mute)

Singles

- 1. The Verve/Bittersweet Symphony (Hut/Virgin)
- 2. Pulp/Help The Aged (Island)
- Teenage Fanclub/Ain't That Enough (Creation)
- Geneva/Best Regrets (Nude)
- 5. The Rolling Stones/Anybody Seen My Baby?



Jonathan Crouch **Production manager Albums**

- UFO/3rd Perspective
- (Zero Co.) D*Note/D*Note (VC)
- Lucious Jackson/Fever In Fever Out (Grand Royal/Capitol)
- 4. Afro Cuban All Stars/A
- Toda Cuba Le Gusta (World Circuit) 5. Joe Henderson/Porgy & Bess (Verve)
- Spiritualized/Ladies And Gentlemen We Are Floating In Space (Dedicated)
- 7. Supergrass/In It For The Money (Parlophone)
- Air/Moon Safari (Source/Virgin)
- 9. Various/Nuyorican Soul (Talkin' Loud)
- 10. Sofa Surfers/Transit (a:head/Universal)

- 1 D*Note/Lost & Found (VC)
- Funki Porcini/Let's See What Carmen Can Do (Ninja Tune)
- Supergrass/The Sun Hits The Sky (Parlophone)
- Finlay Quaye/Even After All (Epic)
 The Verve/Bittersweet Symphony (Hut/Virgin)

Jonathan Heasman News editor **Albums**

- Radiohead/OK Computer (Parlophone)
- Suede/Coming Up (Nude) Blur/Blur (Food)
- The Prodigy/The Fat Of
- The Land (XL) The Verve/Urban Hymns (Hut/Virgin)
- Oasis/Be Here Now (Creation/Sony)
- Terry Hall/Laugh (Southsea Bubblegum
- Texas/White On Blonde (Mercury)
- 9. Chemical Brothers/Dig Your Own Hole
- 10. Skunk Anansie/Stoosh (One Little Indian)

- 1. Sash! Encore Une Fois (Byte)
- Radiohead/Karma Police (Parlophone)
- White Town/>Abort, Retry, Fail_Your Woman (Brilliant/Chrysalis)
- Various Artists/Perfect Day (Chrysalis)
- $\textbf{5.} \ \ \textbf{Blur/Death Of A Party} \ (\textbf{Food})$



Terry Heath Features & specials editor

- Various/The Blue Horizon Story 1965-1970 (Columbia)
- 2. Vargas Blues Band/Gipsy Boogie (Warner Music)
- The Rolling Stones/Bridges To Babylon
- Led Zeppelin/BBC Sessions (BBC)
 Paul Thorn/Hammer & Nail (A&M)
- Stevie Ray Vaughan and Double Trouble/Live At Carnegie Hall (Epic) BB King/Deuces Wild (MCA)
- Eric Bibb & Needed Time/Good Stuff (Opus 3)
- Joe Henderson/Porgy & Bess (Verve)
- 10. Catfish Keith/Twist It Up! (Fishtail Records)

Christian Lorenz Music business & talent editor

Albums

- 1. Various Artists/VClassic (V Recordings)
 EPMD/Back In Business
- (Def Jam/Mercury) TheVerve/Urban Hymns
- 4. Christopher Just/Jeans & Electronic (Omnisonus/BMG)
- Vivan "Yabby U" Jackson/Jesus Dread 1972-75 (Blood & Fire) To Rococo Rot/Veiculo (City Slang)
- Sofa Surfers/Transit (a:head/Universal)
- Wyclef Jean/Carnival (Columbia)
- 9. Crystal Method/Vegas (S2/Epic)
- 10. Wu Tang Clan/Wu Tang Forever (Loud/RCA)

- 1. Ed Rush & Fierce/Locust (Prototype) DJ Krust/Warhead (V Recordings)
- Faithless/Salva Mea (Danny Tenaglia mix)
- (Cheeky)
- Onyx/Shout (Pete Rock instrumental mix) (White Label)
- 5. Curtis/Velcro (Platinum/BMG)



Mike McGeever Programming editor **Albums**

- 1. Led Zeppelin/BBC Sessions (BBC)
 2. Bootsy Collins/Fresh
- Outta P University (WEA) 3. Skunk Anansie/Stoosh
- (One Little Indian) Rolling Stones/Bridges To Babylon (Virgin) 5. Steve Earle/El Corazon (Warner Bros.)

- 7. Garth Brooks/Sevens (Capital)
- 8. Echo & The Bunnymen/Evergreen (London)
- Trisha Yearwood/Songbook (MCA)
- 10. Conner Reeves/Earthbound (Wildstar)

- 1. Sylvia Powell/Butterfly (Deconstruction)
- 2. Rolling Stones/Anybody Seen My Baby? (Virgin)
- Pulp/Help The Aged (Island)
- 4. The Verve/The Drugs Don't Work (Hut/Virgin)
 5. Meredith Brooks/Bitch (EMI)

Dominic Salmon Designer

- 1 Spiritualized/Ladies And Gentlemen We Are Floating In Space (Dedicated)
- Coldcut vs. DJ
- Food/Foodfight (Ninja Tune) D*Note/D*Note (VC)
- Air/Moon Safari (Source/Virgin)
- Dreadzone/Biological Radio (Virgin)
- UFO/3rd. Perspective (Zero Co.) Supergrass/In It For The Money (Parlophone)
- 8. Luscious Jackson/Fever In Fever Out (Capitol)
- Sofa Surfers/Transit (A:head/Universal) 10. Miles Davis/Dark Magus (Columbia reissue)

- 1. Funki Porcini/Let's See What Carmen Can Do
- The Prodigy/Breathe (XL)
- UFO/Planet Plan (Zero Co.)
- 4. The Verve/Bittersweet Symphony (Hut/Virgin)
- 5. Daft Punk/Around The World (Virgin)

Menno Visser Charts researcher



- 1. Radiohead/OK Computer (Parlophone) 2. Fila Brazillia/Luck Re A
- Weirdo Tonight (Pork) 3. Cornershop/Born For The 7th. Time (Wiiija) 4. As One/In With Their Arps
- 5. Bentley Rhythm Ace/Idem (Skint)
- Crustation/Bloom (Jive)
- $\textbf{7. Headrillaz}/Coldharbour\,Rocks\,(Pussyfoot)$
- 8. Alpha/Come From Heaven (Melankolic)
- Jhelisa/Language Electric (Dorado) 10. Laika/Sounds Of The Satellites (Too Pure)

- The Verve/Bitter Sweet Symphony (Hut/Virgin) Whitetown/>Abort, Retry, Fail_Your Woman
- Fatboy Slim/Going Out Of My Head (Skint)
- Apollo 440/Ain't Talkin' Bout Dub (Epic) Blueboy/Remember Me (Pharm)

Terry Berne Spain/jazz/classical correspondent

- **Albums** 1. Dieter Ilg Trio/Folk
- Songs (AMM/Jazzline) John Klemmer & Oscar
- Castro-Neaves/Simpatico (JVC) Jim Hall/Textures (Telarc)
- Charlie Haden & Pat Metheny/Beyond The
- Missouri Sky (Verve)
 Ronnie Laws/Tribute To Eddie Harris (Blue
- 6. Richard Galliano & Michel Portal/ $Blow\ Up$ (Drevfus Jazz)
- Jasper van T'Hof/Tomorrowland (Challenge)
- 8. Fareed Haque/Deja Vue (Blue Note)
 9. Betty Carter/I'm Yours, You're Mine (Verve)
- 10. Jorge Pardo/2332 (Nuevos Medios)

Albums 1. A Reminiscent Drive/Mercy Street (F Comm)

Segundo/Buena Vista Social Club (World Circuit)

2. Ry Cooder/Ibrahim Ferrer/Rubén Gonzalez/Eliades Ochoa/Compay

- 4. The Prodigy/The Fat Of The Land (Delabel)
- 5. Zeze Mago/NOsEX (V2)
- 6. Louise Attaque/Louise Attaque (Atmosphériques)
- Henri Dikonge/C'est la vie (Buda Records)
- 8. Various/El Che Vive! (Last Call)
- 9. Paris Combo/Paris Combo (Boucherie Productions)
- 10. Radiohead/OK Computer (Parlophone)

- Khaled/Aicha (Barclay)
- Daft Punk/Around The World (Virgin) Wes/Alane (Saint-George) Ricky Martin/(Un, Dos, Tres) Maria (Tristar)
- 5. Passi/Je Zappe Et Je Mate~(V2)

Mark Dezzani Italy correspondent

- Albums 1. Robert Wyatt/Shleep (Hannibal/Rykodisc) 2. Pino Daniele/Dimmi
- Cose Succede Sulla Terra (CGD/eastwest) Radiohead/OK Computer
- (Parlophone) The Prodigy/Fat Of The
- Land (XL) Cristina Dona/Tregua (n/a)
- Led Zeppelin/BBC Sessions (Atlantic)
- Elisa/Pipes & Flowers (Sugar/Universal)
 Africa Unite/Il Gioco (Blackout/Polygram) Carmen Consoli/Confusa E Felice
- (Cyclopes/Polydor)

 10. Skunk Anansie/Stoosh (One Little Indian)

- 1. Blue Boy/Remember Me (Pharm) Apollo 440/Ain't Talkin' Bout Dub (Epic)
- The Verve/Bittersweet Symphony (Hut/Virgin) Frankie Hi-Nrg/Quelli Che Ben Pesano (n/a)



Charles Ferro Denmark correspondent

- Albums 1. Stevie Ray Vaughan & Double Trouble/Live At Carnegie Hall (Epic) 2. Aqua/Aquarium
- (Universal)
- John Hiatt/Little Head (Capitol)
- Metallica/Re-Load (Mercury) Yellowbellies/Air Mail (PolyGram)
- The Dave Matthews Band/Crash Into Me (Bama Rags) Deanna Carter/Did I Shave My Legs for This?
- (Capitol-and, again, we know it's not a '97 alhum!!) 8. Chemical Brothers/Dig Your Own Hole
- 9. Juice/Something to Feel (EMI) 10. Tony Bennett/Tony Bennett On Holiday

- Singles 1. Toni Braxton/Unbreak My Heart (La
- No Doubt/I'm Just A Girl (Trauma/Interscope) Aqua/Doctor Jones (Universal)

Blues Traveler/Most Precarious (A&M) 5. The Verve/The Drugs Don't Work (Hut/Virgin)

Keith Foster Sweden Correspondent

- Albums John Fogerty/Blue Moon Swamp (Warner Bros)
- Oasis/Be Here Now (Creation/Sony) Primal Scream/Vanishing Point (Creation/Sony
- U2/Pop (Island) Honey Is Cool/Crazy Love (n/a)
- Natacha Atlas/Halim (Nation) Nick Cave/The Boatman's Call (Mute)
- Portishead/Portishead (Go!Beat) 9. Led Zeppelin/Remasters (Atlantic) 10. Spiritualized/Ladies And Gentlemen We Are Floating In Space (Dedicated)

- Chumbawamba/Tubthumping (EMI)
- 2. Alabama 3Woke Up This Morning (el-é-mental Records)
 3. Robyn/Show Me Love (BMG)

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Remi Bouton

France Correspondent

3. Daft Punk/Homework (Virgin)

- 4. Hanson/MMMBop (Mercury)
- 5. Ebba Forsberg/Hold Me (n/a)

Michelle Legge Czech Republic correspondent Albums

- 1. 883/La Dura Legge Del Gol (FRI)
- 2. Mina/Leggera (PDU/RTI)
- 3. Leon Lai/DNA Goes Wrong? (PolyGram)
- 4. Bloodhound Gang/One Fierce Beer Coaster (Universal)
- 5. Jacky Cheung/Wanna Go For A Blow With You (PolyGram)
- 6. Deana Carter/Did I Shave My Legs For This? (Capitol)
- 7. Various Artists/The Greatest Dance Album Ever Made (Telstar
- 8. Various Artists/The Best Dance Album Of The Year (Global TV)
- 9. Various Artists/Now That's What I Call Music! 37 (EMI/Virgin/PolyGram)
- 10. Jann Arden/Happy? (A&M)

Singles

- 1. Ohm Square/Spirit v Dome [Spirit in the home] (Next Era)
- 2. Liquid Harmony/Liquid Harmony (S3Prague/Sony)
- 3. Colorfactory/Seven (Monitor-EMI)
- 4. Chaozz/Zprdeleklika [Motherfucking Luck] (PolyGram)
- 5. Trosky/Cakam na den [Waiting For Day] (deep/Sony)

Howell Lilewellyn Spain correspondent Albums

- 1. Ry Cooder/Ibrahim Ferrer/Rubén Gonzalez/Eliades Ochoa/Compay Segundo/Buena Vista Social Club (World Circuit)
- 2. Esclarecidos/5658 (GASA)
- Various Artists/100 Anos de Flamenco (EMI)
- Amparanoia/El Poder De Machin 4. (edel/Facedown)
- 5. Various Artists/La Nueva Generacion De La Musica Cubana (Eurotropical/Manzana Discos)
- 6. Martirio y Chano Dominguez/Coplas De Madruga (El Europeo Musica)
- 7. Willy Gimenez Y Chanela/Cosa De Sabios (Bailanta Records/Alia)
- 8. La Barberia Del Sur/Algo Pa' Nosotros Del Sur (Nuevos Medios)
- 9. Alejandro Sanz/Mas (Warner Music Spain)
- 10. Enrique Morente & Lagartija Nick/Omega (El Europeo Musica)

Singles

- The Prodigy/Breathe (Caroline Espana)
- Natasha Hagen/You & You (Blanco & Negro)
- 3. Cyberia/Anonim (Max Music)
- 4. DJ Konk/Velocity 2 (Bit Music)
- 5. Daft Punk/Da Funk (Virgin Espana)

Kai R Loffhus Norway Correspondent Albums

- 1. eels/Beautiful Freak (Dreamworks) 2. Seigmen/
- Radiowaves (Sony)
- U2/Pop (Island)
- Janet Jackson/The Velvet Rope (Virgin) 5. Finn Coren/The
- Blake Project:Spring (Bard)
- 6. The Rolling Stones/Bridges To Babylon (Virgin)
- 7. Depeche Mode/Ultra (Mute)
- 8. Bob Dylan/Time Out Of Mind (Columbia/Sony)
- 9. The Prodigy/The Fat Of The Land (XL)
- 10. Radiohead/OK Computer (Parlophone)

Singles

- Erykah Badu/On & On (Kedar/Universal)
- $\textbf{Velvet Belly}/\textit{Easy} \ (RCA)$
- 3. Espen Lind/Baby You're So Cool (Universal)
- Sorten Muld/Ravnen (Pladecompagniet-Sony)
- 5. Brand New Heavies/You Are The Universe (ffrr)

Marc Maes Belgium correspondent Albums

- 1 Lisa Stansfield/Lisa Stansfield (Arista)
- 2. Axelle Red/A Thions (Virgin) 3. Monster Mike
- Welch/Axe To Grind (Tone Cool/WEA)
- 4. Dany Brillant/Havana (WEA)
- Eternal/Before The Rain (1st. Avenue/EMI)
- 6. Nek/Lei, Gli Amici E Tutto Il Resto (WEA) Helmut Lotti/Goes Classic III (RCA)
- Vargas Blues Band/Gipsy Boogie (Warner)
- 9. Joe Cocker/Across From Midnight (Capitol) 10. Stevie Ray Vaughan/Live At Carnegie Hall

Singles

- 1. Seal/Fly Like An Eagle (ZTT/Warner)
- 2. Toni Braxton/Un-break My Heart (La Face/Arista)
- Sash!/Encore Une Fois (Byte Blue)
- Maria Montell/Di Da Di (Epic)
- 5. Nek/Laura Non Ce (WEA)

Chris Marlowe U.K. music/IT correspondent **Albums**

- 1 Led Zeppelin/BBC
- Sessions (BBC)
 Beck/Odelay (Geffen)
- 3. Foo Fighters/The Color and the Shape (Roswell Records/Capitol)
- 4. Feeder/Polythene (Echo)
- LeAnn Rimes/Blue (Curb)
- Three Colours Red/Pure (Creation)
- Garth Brooks/Sevens (Capitol)
- 8. Steve Earle/El Corazon (Warner Bros)
- The Wildhearts/Endless, Nameless (Mushroom)
- 10. Marilyn Manson/Antichrist Superstar (Atlantic)

Singles:

- Blur/Song 2 (Food)
- Sneaker Pimps/Spin Spin Sugar (Clean-up/One Little Indian) 2.
- Depeche Mode/It's No Good (Mute)
- 4. Fun Lovin' Criminals/Fun Lovin' Criminals (Chrysalis)
- 5. Jewel/You Were Meant For Me (Atlantic)

Thessa Mooii Netherlands/marketplace columnist **Albums**

- 1. Afro Cuban All Stars/A Toda Cuba Le Gusta (World Circuit)
- Andrew Dorff/Hint of Mess (Columbia)
- 3. Wu Tang Clan/Wu Tang Forever (Loud/RCA)
 4. Erykah Badu/Baduizm (Kedar/Universal)
- Jewel/Pieces Of You (Atlantic)
- 6. Patsy Cline/Live at the Cimarron Ballroom (MCA) Patti Smith/Peace & Noise (Arista)
- 8. Finley Quaye/Maverick A Strike (Epic) 9. Missy Elliott/Supadupafly (eastwest) 10. Mary J. Blige/Share My World (MCA)

- Ricky Martin/Maria Remixes (Columbia)
- Chumbawamba/Tubthumping (EMI)
- The Notorious B.I.G./Mo' Money Mo' Problems (Bad Boy/Arista)
- Meredith Brooks/Bitch (EMI)
- 5. BLACKstreet feat.Slash/The Fix (Interscope)

Paul Sexton U.K. correspondent **Albums**

- 1. Prefab Sprout/ Andromeda Heights (Kitchenware/Columbia)
- The Rolling Stones/Bridges To
- Babylon (Virgin)
- Radiohead/OK Computer (Parlophone)
- The Mutton Birds/Envy Of Angels (Virgin) Ron Sexsmith/Other Songs (Interscope)
- 6.
- The O'Jays/Love You To Tears (Volcano/Global Sound) 7. James Taylor/Hourglass (Columbia)
- 8. Mary J. Blige/Share My World (MCA)
- 9. Boz Scaggs/Fade Into Light (Virgin, Japanese import)
- 10. Bootsy Collins/Fresh Outta P University (WEA)

Singles

- 1. eels/Susan's House (Dreamworks)
- Radiohead/Paranoid Android (Parlophone)
- Refugee Camp All-Stars feat, Lauryn Hill/The Sweetest Thing (Columbia)
- Sheryl Crow/Home (A&M)
- 5. Blackstreet/Don't Leave Me (Interscope)

Gary Smith Spain/dance correspondent Albums

- 1 Amon Tobin/Bricolage (Ninja Tune)
- 2. Tranquillity Bass/Let The Freak Flag Fly (Astralwerks)
- 3. Luscious Jackson/Fever In Fever Out (Grand
- Royal/Capitol) 4. Various/State Of The Nu Art (Blue Planet)
- 5. Various Artists/Future Sound Of Jazz Vol.4 (Compost)
- Elixir/The Phobos Incident (Language) Rockers Hi-Fi/The Black Album (K7)
- Slim/Slim (em:t)
- Various Artists/21st. Century Soul 9. (Talkin' Loud)
- 10. Squarepusher/Hard Normal Daddy (Warp Records)

Singles

- Various Artists/Trip do Brasil EPs 1&2 (Rythmix)
- Elegia/Snapshots (F Comm)
- INXS/Everything "Jaxx Love Dub" (Mercury)

 D*Note/Lost & Found (VC)
- Curtis/Velcro (Platinum Records)

Sally Stratton U.K. correspondent **Albums**

- 1. Righto/Righto (eastwest)
- 2. Mansun/Attack Of The Grey Lantern (Parlophone)
- Supernaturals/lt Doesn't Matter Any More (EMI)
- 4. Radiohead/OK Computer (Parlophone)
- 5. The Verve/Urban Hymns (Hut/Virgin)
- Echo & The Bunnymen/Evergreen (London) 7. Prefab Sprout/Andromeda Heights (Kitchenware/Columbia)
- 8. Erykah Badu/Baduizm (Kedar/Universal)
- 9. Cast/Mother Nature Calls (Polydor) 10. Portishead/Portishead (Go!Beat)

Singles

- 1. Radiohead/Paranoid Android (Parlophone)
- Rialto/When We're Together (eastwest)
- The Verve/Bitter Sweet Symphony (Hut/Virgin) 4. Teenage Fanclub/Ain't That Enough (Creation)

5. Republica/Drop Dead Gorgeous (Deconstruction) Robbert Tilli **Netherlands**

- correspondent **Albums** 1. Old 97s/Too Far To
- Care (Elektra) Supergrass/In It For The Money
- (Parlophone) John Fogerty/Blue Moon Swamp
- (Warner Brothers) Julie Miller/Blue
- Pony (HighTone)
- Ron Sexsmith/Other Songs (Interscope)
- Bob Dylan/Time Out Of Mind (Columbia) Chuck Prophet/Homemade Blood (Cooking Vinyl)
- Slobberbone/Barrel Chested (Doolittle) Robbie Fulks/South Mouth (Bloodshot) 10.13 Featuring Lester Butler/13 Featuring
- Lester Butler (Vault/HighTone)

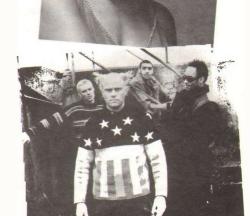
- 1. Blackstreet feat. Slash/The Fix (Interscope)
- Buena Vista Social Club/Chan Chan (World Circuit) 3. Republica/Ready To Go (Deconstruction) Oasis/D'You Know What I Mean?
- (Creation/Sony) 5. Anouk/Nobody's Wife (Dino)











Pressing the M&M buttons (from top): Radiohead, The Verve, Echo and the Bunnymen, Daft Punk, Sylvia Powell and The Prodigy





The good, the bad and the business

Leading figures from the radio and music industries across Europe give Music & Media their personal views on the highlights and lowlights of their business in



Rosborough, programme director, Cool FM & Downtown Radio/Belfast (U.K.)

Good: "The event being tragic, it was a source of some pride that in the aftermath of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, radio moved swiftly to reflect and match the mood of the

Bad: "The national press obsession with [presenter] Chris Evans vs. [BBC] Radio 1 eclipsed the true success of breakfast radio in many parts of the country. For example, at 08.00, Downtown/Cool FM has five times the audience of Virgin and Radio 1 com-



Heinz Canibol, Universal Music MD & VP G/S/A

Good: "Among the highlights of 1997 were our gold and platinum discs for No Doubt, Aqua, Pappa Bear and the soundtrack to Pulp Fiction in Germany, and the success of local acts Pandora and Manowar abroad. An important strategic achievement was our successful liaison with a local source of [R&B flavoured]repertoire, the Booya Production Team, which generated German chart entries for domestic acts such as Pappa Bear, U.B.F., Jonestown and A.K. Swift over the past twelve months."

Bad: "On the negative side, I look at the general development of the market for pre-recorded music in Germany with great concern. More specifically, I'm disappointed by the

slow recovery of MTV here in Germany. The station's popularity seems to have increased after it introduced German language programming, but MTV still has a long way to go until it offers the industry a true alternative outlet to local music TV station VIVA, which currently 'makes the hits' in certain genres."



Paul Kavanagh, group programme director, Emap Radio (U.K.)

Good: "The music released in 1997 has been the best for years. Lots of talented new names and well-written songs. In radio, the development of real 'characters' rather than DJs or so-called personalities."

Bad: "In radio we need to build more stars, and we should have done more to help in 1997."



Eric Baptiste, president, Vive La Radio (France)

Good: "In the radio field, I think what dominates is the new approach from [French broadcasting authority] the CSA in the frequency allocation process, as exemplified by the recent re-allocation of over 470 frequencies last November. The process is far more transparent and it's a good thing. Also, the radio community in France is starting to take notice that it has been far too scattered, with that sort of 'Gallic village' syndrome, and is looking at things more collectively."

Bad: "There is a growing gap between the global success of radio as a medi-

um and its perception by the public. Other media such as digital TV or the Internet appear to be much hipper in the public's eye. This is a problem the radio community has to address. There is another worrying phenomenon which seems specific to the French market-the share of advertising expenditures on radio is going down whereas all other media show an increase. In the short term, if that were to continue, this could threaten the harmony within the industry. If revenues go down, tension will rise and it could be damaging for all."



Paul Chantler, group programme director, Essex Radio Group (CRCA's U.K. Commercial Radio Programmer Of The Year)

Good: "The work done by independent [U.K.] promotion companies such as Intermedia and Jo Hart PR, who believe in the value of commercial radio in the regions."

Bad: "The ill-judged comments of [Sony Music Entertainment U.K. chairman/CEO] Paul Burger about the 'vanilla' sound of commercial radio outside London, made at this year's Music Radio Conference."



Patrick Decam, managing director Sony Music Netherlands, vice-president Sony Music Benelux

Good: "The market growth [in the Netherlands] is still on an upward trend, despite CD player saturation and intense pressure on [records'] net prices. The share of local products is going up and reaching close to 30 percent of the overall market, and Sony is taking a growing share of this market. The number of MiniDisc players sold in the Netherlands is reaching a new level, which promises a strong relaunch of the format in 1998. As for the company, we broke Wes (from France), Ricky Martin (from Latin America) and Dutch band Sunclub, which all added to our traditional U.K./U.S. repertoire sources."

Bad: "Holland still has two 'official' charts, creating confusion at store and media level. Another thing that bugs me is that radio stations, such as SkyRadio, still fail to announce the tracks they play. Also, this year, we've seen a new company appearing in the market, specialising in "copy-cat" covers of our hits, using low prices and aggressive TV ads. The law must be strengthened to protect us from what I consider to be a new form of piracy. Oh, yes, and the VAT rate on records is still too high.



Javier Pons, network director, Los 40 Principales (Spain)

Good: "There has been a musical explosion in Spain these days. Youngsters are listening to more music, buy ing more music and buying different music than the traditional AC-type of acts which dominated the Spanish scene for years. That's a very good sign. I don't know what happened but it's a new, positive development. A band such as Dover, signed to a Spanish independent label, has sold more than 200,000 units so far with an album sung in English. That's quite an achievement in Spain and it's a good omen for the future, providing the trend continues."

Bad: "In our business of radio, my feeling is that Spain still lacks serious music radio projects, and I feel it has got worse over the past year. Things happening in radio in Spain these days are not very positive. What you hear about is the departure of [Cadena 100 director] Rafael Revert (M&M, December 13), or the closure of Top Radio's stations except in Madrid—but no new projects. For me, speaking from the perspective of Los 40, it's a good thing, because we remain the leader. But if I look at things with a wider perspective, it's not good for the Spanish radio industry. Los 40 needs hefty competition, needs to face new projects, new formats, which will force us to be on the edge all the time and which will contribute to an overall improvement of the whole industry."



Eurochart Hot 100® Singles

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| TITLE countries charted | TITLE countries charted | TITLE countries charted |
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| 1 16 Barbie Girl ABDK.FD.IRE.I.NL.E.S.CH.UK ABDK.FD.IRE.I.NL.E.S.CH.UK | 34 32 10 Du Fehlst Mir Cappuccino - Mercury (EMI) | Dog Train Levellers - China (Empire) |
| 2 14 Something About/Candle In The Wind 1997 ARDKINNEDIRLINLNESCHUKEUN Elton John - Rocket (PolyGram/Warner Chappell) | 35 31 5 Smack My Bitch Up FIN.F.D.IRE.I.NL.N.S.UK Prodigy - XL (EMI/Next Plateau/Beats G) | 69 69 13 Pour Etre Libre 2 Be 3 · EMI (Les Disques A La Maison) |
| 3 3 7 Tell Him A.B.F.D.IRE.I.NL.N.S.CH.UK Celine Dion & Barbra Streisand - Columbia (Various) | 36 26 4 Will Smith - Columbia (Tryball/Ill Will/Jobete) | 70 93 2 Round 'N' Round Gil · RCA (Not Listed) |
| 4 9 5 I Will Come To You A.B.FIN.F.D.IRE.NL.N.S.CH.UK Hanson - Mercury (Warner Chappell/Dyad) | If God Will Send His Angels FIN.IRE.NL.E.UK.HUN U2 - Island (Blue Mountain) | 71 74 12 Angel Of Mine Eternal - Ist Avenue / EMI (Rhettrhyme / Warner Chappell / PolyGram) |
| Perfect Day Various Artists - Chrysalis (EMI) B.IRE.NL.N.UK.HUN | 38 23 24 Will Smith - Columbia (Various) B.F.D.I.CH | Sing Up For The Champions Reds United - Music Collection (MCI/Peer/Various) |
| 6 8 8 Savoir Aimer B.F. Florent Pagny - Mercury (Ed. Laurelenn/EMI) | 39 30 30 Eternal feat. BeBe Winans - 1st Avenue / EMI (EMI/BMG) | Last Christmas Wham! - Epic (Morrison Leahy Music) |
| 7 6 9 Cherish ADCH Pappa Bear - Universal (Delightful) | 40 50 3 Crazy Little Party Girl ADK.D.N.L.N.S.CH ADK.D.N.L.N.S.CH (Trans Continental) | Ma S A Moi Doc Gyneco - Virgin (Not Listed) |
| 8 5 11 As Long As You Love Me ^{A.B.DK.D.IRE.I.NL.N.E.S.CH.UK} Backstreet Boys - Jive (Grantsville/Zomba) | 41 29 6 The Memory Remains A.B.FIN.F.D.IRE.N.L.N.E.S.CH.HUN Metallica · Vertigo (Creepin' Death / PolyGram) | 75 56 27 Bittersweet Symphony The Verve - Hut/Virgin (EMI) |
| 9 4 14 Sunchyme A.B.D.K.F.D.IRE.N.L.S.CH.U.K.HUN Dario G - WEA (Warner Chappell) | 42) 41 30 Alane Wes - Saint George/Columbia (Sony/Michel Sanchez) | 76 59 26 Tout Lara Fabian - Polydor (Fabsongs / Editions Charlot) |
| Teletubbies Say "Eh-Oh" Teletubbies - BBC Worldwide (BMG) | Wind Beneath My Wings Steven Houghton - RCA (Warner Chappell) | Bachelorette Björk - Mother / One Little Indian (PolyGram) |
| 7 10 Spice Up Your Life ABDKFDJRELINLNS.CH.UK.HUN Spice Girls · Virgin (Windswept Pacific / PolyGram) | 44 39 9 N'Oubliez Jamais Joe Cocker - Capitol (MCA) | 78 90 2 Laura Non C'E' Nek - WEA (Not Listed) |
| 12) 14 2 Together Again B.DK.D.IRE.I.NL.S.UK.HUN Janet Jackson - Virgin (EMI/Various) | 45 38 5 Freedom DIRELICH.UK Robert Miles · DBX/Deconstruction (Jeity/Warner Chappell) | History Repeating Propellerheads feat. Shirley Bassey - Wall Of Sound (Chrysalis) |
| Prince Igor The Rapsody feat. Warren G. & Sissel Def Jam (PulyGram Madhouse EMI Warner Chappell) | 46 37 13 Got Til It's Gone Janet Jackson - Virgin (EMI/Windswept/Various) | It's Alright Deni Hines - RCA (BMG) |
| **** SALES BREAKER *** | 47 43 12 Te Extrano, Te Olvido, Te Amo Ricky Martin · Tristar/Columbia (Various) | 81 83 4 The Spirit Fiocco - Antler-Subway (Not Listed) |
| 14) 24 4 Run DMC Vs. Jason Nevins · Profile (Warner Chappell) | 48 45 4 Va Pensiero Zucchero Fornaciari · Polydor (Not Listed) | Back To You Bryan Adams - A&M (Badams / Sony ATV) |
| Rescue Me Bell, Book & Candle - Ariola (EMI) | 49 49 19 Da Hool - Kosmo (Warner Chappell) | 83 54 4 Lucky Man The Verve - Hut/Virgin (EMI) |
| Te Garder Pres De Moi Alliage & Boyzone - Mercury (Not Listed) | Nobody's Wife Anouk · Dino (DBM) | 84 86 2 Too Much Heaven Nana - Motor (Not Listed) |
| Never Ever All Saints - London (Perfect / MCA) RE.NL.UK | 51 47 4 Qu'il En Soit Ainsi Poetic Lovers - M6 Int. (Not Listed) | Lost You Somewhere Chicane - Extravaganza (EMI/CC) |
| Doctor Jones Aqua - Universal (MCA) B.DK.FIN.D.LNL.S | 52 42 2 Slam Dunk Da Funk Five - RCA (Cheiron / Mega / BMG) | 86 70 4 Wenn Du Da Bist Pur - Intercord (Not Listed) |
| 19 18 13 Ain't That Just The Way AFD.IRE.CH.UK Lutricia McNeal - Siljemark / CNR (MCA) | 53 48 27 Puff Daddy & Faith Evans feat. 112 · Bad Boy (Arista (Various) | 87 75 5 5,6,7,8 Steps - Jive (Copyright Control/Cordella) |
| 20 20 6 Come Into My Life Gala - Nite Life (Do It Yourself) B.F.I.N.L. | Breathe Midge Ure - Arista (Not Listed) | Phenomenon LL Cool J - Def Jam (EMI/LL Cool J/Def Jam) |
| Stay B.DK.F.D.IRE.I.NL.N.S.CH.UK Sash! - Byte Blue (Step By Step / Strongsongs) | Das Modell Rammstein · Motor (BMG) | You Can Talk To Me Seahorses · Geffen (PolyGram) |
| Tubthumping A.B.DK.D.IRE.I.NL.N.S.CH.UK Chumbawamba · EMI (Chumbawamba) | The Reason Celine Dion - Epic/Columbia (MCA/Various) | 90 81 5 You Sexy Thing Hot Chocolate - EMI (RAK) |
| 23 19 12 Do Ya Think I'm Sexy? A.B.D.K.D.IRE.I.N.L.N.S.UK.HUN N.Trançe feat. Rod Stewart - All Around The World (Nitestalk Warner Chappell EMI) | 57 57 29 Uh La La La ACH Alexia · DWA/Dance Pool (Extravaganza) | 91 73 7 Choose Life PF Project feat. Ewan McGregor - Positiva (Sony ATV) |
| 24) 35 3 Angels Robbie Williams - Chrysalis (EMI/BMG) | 58 51 10 Avenues DK.F.D.N.S Refugee Camp All Star feat. Pras - Arista (Intersong Warner Chappell) | Deeper Serious Danger - Fresh (MCA) |
| 25 18 3 Baby Can I Hold Yow/Shooting Star DK.FINIRE.UK Boyzone - Polydor (EMI/Wonderland/Disney) | 59 52 12 I Will Survive Hermes House Band - Xplo Music (PolyGram) | 93 87 2 (Money Can't) Buy Me Love Blackstreet - Interscope (Northern) |
| 36 8 Natalie Imbruglia · RCA (Island / EMI / BMG) | Roxanne '97 Sting & The Police - A&M (EMI/MAgnetic) | 94 88 9 Les Temps Changent MC Solaar - Polydor (Sentinel Sud/Arrêtez Ecoutez) |
| Vivo Per Lei Andrea Bocelli - Polydor (Not Listed) | 61) 64 3 Butterfly Mariah Carey - Columbia (Sony ATV/Rye/Wallyworld) | Formula DJ Visage - Dancelab / EMI (NR) |
| 23 28 3 Sheryl Crow - A&M (Warner Tamerlane Old Crow) | Save Tonight Eagle-Eye Cherry - Superstudio (Not Listed) | 96 79 16 Ma Melissa Les Minikeums - FTD (Not Listed) |
| | | Everybody (Backstreet's Back) BECK |
| Je T'Aime | 63 53 6 Moby · Mute (EMI) | Backstreet Boys - Jive (Zomba) |
| 29 33 7 Je T'Aime Lara Fabian - Polydor (Fabsongs / Editions Charlot) BF BF BF BF BF BF | 63 53 6 Moby · Mute (EMI) Lift Me Un | 97 Backstreet Boys - Jive (Zomba) 88 63 17 Aaron Carter - Edel (Trans Continental) |
| 30 22 11 Hasta Siempre Nathalie Cardone - Columbia (Legende Enterprises) Johnny B. ADCH | 63 53 6 Moby · Mute (EMI) 64 Lift Me Up Red 5 · Zyx (Sony / ATV) Eternal Grace | 98 63 17 Aaron Carter - Edel (Trans Continental) BIRENLS.UK BIRENLS.UK BIRENLS.UK D.Ch. |
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European Top 100 Albums

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| **** SALES BREAKER *** | 70 10 M People DIRE.UK Tresco · M People / BMG | 68 47 17 Wolfgang Petry Nie Genug · Hansa |
| 1 1 5 Celine Dion ABDKFINEDGREHREINLNPESCHUKHUNCZE Let's Talk About Love - Epic/Columbia 2 | 35 36 14 Alejandro Sanz Mas - WEA | 69 79 7 Midge Ure Breathe - Arista |
| 2 2 7 Spice Girls ABDKFINED.GRE.IRE.LNL.N.P.E.S.CH.UK.HUN.CZE Spiceworld - Virgin | 36 27 5 Andre Rieu Mein Weihnachtstraum - Mercury | 70 37 4 Natalie Imbruglia IRE.UK Left Of The Middle - RCA |
| 3 5 6 Enya A.B.D.K.FIN.D.GRE.IRE.L.NL.N.P.E.S.CH.U.K.HUN.CZE Paint The Sky With Stars - WEA | Mariah Carey Butterfly - Columbia AB.F.D.GRE.NL.E.CH.UK | Radiohead OK Computer · Parlophone |
| 4 3 8 Eros Ramazzotti ABDK-FIN-FD.GRE.LNL.N.P.E.S.CH.HUN.CZE Eros - DDD 2 | 33 33 2 Garth Brooks Sevens - Liberty | 72 58 5 Passi Les Tentations · V2 |
| Metallica A.B.DK.FIN.F.D.GRE.IRE.I.NL.N.P.E.S.CH.UK.HUN.CZE Re-Load · Vertigo | 39 31 9 Lara Fabian Pure - Polydor | 73) 89 8 Anouk Together Alone - Dino |
| 6 19 Backstreet Boys AB.DK.FIN.F.D.GRE.IRE.I.NL.N.F.E.S.CH.UK.HUN.CZE Backstreet's Back - Jive 2 | 40 39 4 Hanson A.B.FIN.D.GRE.IRE.NL.S.CH.CZE Snowed In - Mercury | 74 67 6 The Rapsody The Rapsody Overture:HipHopMeetsClassics - Def Jam/Mercury |
| 7 8 37 Aqua A.B.DK.FIN.F.D.GRE.IRE.I.NL.N.P.E.S.CH.UK.HUN Aquarium - Universal | 41 59 8 Helmut Lotti Goes Classic III - RCA | 75 50 4 Daze Super Heroes - Columbia |
| The Verve A.B.D.K.FIN.F.D.GRE.IRE.I.NL.N.P.E.S.CH.UK Urban Hymns - Hut/Virgin | Hanson Middle Of Nowhere - Mercury BFIN.FIRE.NL.S.CZE | 76 71 2 Mike Oldfield AD.GRE.E.CZE XXV The Essential Mike Oldfield - WEA |
| 9 10 47 Andrea Bocelli B.DK.F.D.I.NL.N.P.E.S.CH.HUN.CZE Romanza - Sugar/Polydor | 43 63 3 Will Smith Big Willie Style · Columbia | 77 68 34 Tic Tac Toe Klappe Die 2te - RCA |
| 10 9 8 Era BFINEDNLS.CH Era - Mercury | Monica Naranjo Palabra De Mujer - Epic | 78 80 30 Nana - Motor |
| 11 11 4 Schlümpfe A.D.CH Irre Galaktisch 6 - EMI | Andre Rieu Strauss & Co Mercury | 79 83 25 Wolfgang Petry Alles · Hansa |
| 12 12 3 Wham! ABFIND.GRE.IRE.L.NL.P.E.UK The Best Of Wham! - Epic | 46 41 11 Loreena McKennitt B.F.D.GRE.N.L.E.CH The Book Of Secrets - Quinlan Road/Warner | Peter Reber CH D'Hits Vom Peter Reber - PolyGram |
| Bryan Adams Unplugged - A&M A.B.D.K.D.IRE.NL.P.S.CH.UK | 47 26 2 Pooh The Best Of Pooh - CGD | Paniel O'Donnell I Believe - Ritz |
| John Lennon Lennon Legend - Parlophone A.B.DK.D.GRE.IRE.P.E.UK | Peter Jöback Personliga Val - Mono Music | Frank Sinatra My Way - The Best Of Vol 1 - Reprise B.D.IRE.NL.UK |
| The Rolling Stones ABDKFINED.GRE.NLES.CH.CZE Bridges To Babylon · Virgin | 49 54 16 Jean-Jacques Goldman En Passant - Columbia BF | 83 35 7 Hot Chocolate Their Greatest Hits - EMI |
| Sting & The Police ABDKFIND.GRE.IRE.LNL.P.S.CH.UK The Best Of Sting & The Police - A&M | 50 43 5 Lightning Seeds Like You DoBest Of - Epic | Paul Simon Songs From The Capemen - Warner Brothers |
| 17 18 12 Elton John The Big Picture - Rocket A.B.DK.FIN.F.D.I.N.E.CH.UK.CZE | Poetic Lover Amants Poetiques - M6 Int. | Soundtrack The Full Monty - RCA Victor |
| Janet Jackson The Velvet Rope - Virgin A.B.DK.F.D.GRE.I.NL.N.S.CH.UK | 52) 98 2 Al Bano & Carissi Il Concerto Classico - WEA | Helmut Lotti Goes Classic - RCA |
| 19 19 7 Florent Pagny Savoir Aimer · Mercury | Rammstein AD.CH Sehnsucht - Motor | 87)100 25 883 La Dura Legge Del Gol · FRI |
| Eternal Greatest Hits - Ist Avenue / EMI BDK.D.IRE.NL.N.S.CH.UK | Claudia Jung A.D.CH Augenblicke - EMI | 88 75 14 Elton John Lovesongs - Rocket ABD.NL.CZE |
| Barbra Streisand Higher Ground - Columbia BED GRE.NL.N.E.CH.UK | 55 57 3 2 Be 3 BF Partir Un Jour - EMI | 89 85 3 Andrea Bocelli F.N.CZE Viaggio Italiano - Sugar/Polydor |
| 22 20 15 Joe Cocker A.B.F.D.N.L.CH A.B.F.D.N.L.CH A.B.F.D.N.L.CH | 56 42 59 Spice Girls Spice - Virgin 8 | 90 76 5 Alliage L'Album - Bax Dance |
| Texas White On Blonde - Mercury | Frodigy The Fat Of The Land - XL B.D.IRE.NL.S.UK | 91 69 2 Pascal Obispo Superflu - Epic |
| 24 22 6 The Kelly Family Growing Up - Kel-Life | 53 45 8 Sash! B.DK.IRE.N.S.UK It's My Life - Byte Blue | 92 94 2 Andrea Bocelli Bocelli · Sugar/Polydor |
| Talk On Corners - 143/Lava/Atlantic | 84 7 Bjørn Eidsvåg Pa Svai - Norsk | 93 90 5 Lisa Ekdahl Bortom Det Blå · EMI |
| Andre Rieu Valses Et Compagnie - Mercury | 60 66 15 Shola Ama FLUK Much Love · WEA | 94 87 7 Badesalz Wie Mutter Und Tochter - Columbia |
| 27 28 18 Sarah Brightman/LSO Timeless · East West | 61 65 5 Paul De Leeuw Lief · Brommerpech / Epic | Jantje Smit Kerstmis Met Jantje Smit - Mercury |
| Oasis FD.GRE.IRE.E.CH.UK.CZE Be Here Now - Creation | 62 48 4 Les Enfoirés Le Zenith Des Enfoires 97 - Columbia | 96) 95 2 Clouseau BNL Verzameld 87-97 - EMI |
| Michel Sardou BF Salut - Trema | 63 56 2 Nordman FINS Här Och Nu - Sonet | 97 93 2 Jarabe De Palo La Placa · Virgin |
| 30 53 9 Lighthouse Family Postcards From Heaven - Polydor/Wildcard | 64 49 6 Årene Gåβπr - RCA | Jewel Pieces Of You - Atlantic |
| ADN.S.CH AARON Carter AADN.S.CH AARON Carter · Edel | 65 81 7 Magnus Uggla Karaoke - Columbia | 99 88 5 Simon & Garfunkel The Definitive Simon And Garfunkel - Columbia |
| 32 30 3 All Saints IRE.UK | 66 62 2 Antonello Venditti Il Paese Delle Meraviglie - Ricordi | Madredeus O Paraiso - EMI |
| Queen A.D.GRE.NLE.S.CH.UK | 67 60 7 Vanessa Mae A.FIN.D.CH.CZE | A = Austria, B = Belgium, CZE = Crech Republic, DK = Denmark, FIN = Finland, F = France, GRE = Greece, D = Germany, RL = Ireland, f = Italy, BUN = Hungary, NL = Netherlands, N = Norway, P = Portugal, E = Spain, S = Sweden, CH = Switzerland, UK = United Kingdom |



Top National Sellers

| UNITED KINGDOM | GERMANY | FRANCE | ITALY |
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| TW LW SINGLES 1 1 Teletubbies - Teletubbies Say "Eh-Oh" (BBC) 2 2 Various Artists - Perfect Day (Chrysalis) 3 3 Janet Jackson - Together Again (Virgin) 4 6 All Saints - Never Ever (London) 5 7 Robbie Williams - Angels (Chrysalis) 6 4 Aqua - Barbie Girl (Universal) 7 5 Boyzone - Baby Can I Hold You/Shooting Star (Polydor) 8 9 Natalie Imbruglia - Torn (RCA) 9 10 Steven Houghton - Wind Beneath My Wings (RCA) 10 NE Spice Girls - Too Much (Virgin) TW LW 1 4 Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love (Epic) 2 3 The Verve - Urban Hymns (Virgin) 3 1 Various - Diana, Princess Of Wide - A Tribute (Princess Diana Trust) 4 2 Various - Now 38 (EMI/Virgin/PolyGram) 5 6 Enya - Paint The Sky With Stars (WEA) 6 9 John Lennon - Lennon Legend (Parlophone) 7 7 Wham! - The Best Of Wham! (Epic) 8 5 Spice Girls - Spiceworld (Virgin) 9 12 Various - The Best Sixties AlbumEver! III (EMI) 10 18 Texas - White On Blonde (Mercury) | TW LW | TW LW 1 1 Florent Pagny - Savoir Aimer (Mercury) 2 2 Aqua - Barbie Girl (Universal) 3 3 Alliage & Boyzone - Te Garder Pres De Moi (Mercury) 4 4 Celine Dion & Barbra Streisand - Tell Him (Columbia) 5 9 Andrea Bocelli - Vivo Per Lei (PolyGram) 6 7 Lara Fabian - Je T'Aime (Polydor) 7 5 Nathalie Cardone - Hasta Siempre (Columbia) 8 6 Eternal feat. Beße Winans - I Wanna Be The Only One (EMI) 9 8 Spice Girls - Spice Up Your Life (Virgin) 1 13 Gala - Come Into My Life (Scorpio) TW LW ALBUMS 1 1 Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love (Columbia) 2 2 Florent Pagny - Savoir Aimer (Mercury) 3 3 Spice Girls - Spiceworld (Virgin) 4 6 Andre Rieu - Valses Et Compagnie (Philips) 5 7 Andrea Bocelli - Romanza (Polydor) 6 4 Michel Sardou - Salut (Trema) 7 5 Lara Fabian - Pure (Polydor) 8 NE Poetic Lover - Amants Poetiques (Mercury) 10 11 Jean-Jacques Goldman - En Passant (Columbia) | TW LW SINGLES 1 5 Midge Ure - Breathe (BMG) 2 1 Gala - Come Into My Life (Do It Yourself) 3 2 Robert Miles - Freedom (DBX) 4 3 Chumbawamba - Tubthumping (EMI) 5 4 Aqua - Barbie Girl (Universal) 6 6 Sashl - Stay (FMA) 7 7 Spice Girls - Spice Up Your Life (Virgin) 8 17 Aqua - Doctor Jones (Universal) 9 10 Elton John - Something About /Candle In The Wind 1997 (Mercury) 10 9 Paradisio - Vamos A La Discoctea! (Do It Yourself) TW LW ALBUMS 1 1 Enya - Paint The Sky With Stars (WEA) 2 2 Eros Ramazzotti - Eros (BMG Riccordi) 3 5 Aqua - Aquarium (Universal) 4 4 Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love (Columbia) 5 7 Spice Girls - Spiceworld (Virgin) 6 6 Backstreet Boys - Backstreet's Back (Virgin) 7 3 Pooh - The Best Of Pooh (CGD) 8 9 The Verve - Urban Hymns (Virgin) 9 8 Antonello Venditti - Il Paese Delle Meraviglie (BMG) 10 11 Midge Ure - Breathe (BMG) |
| SPAIN | HOLLAND | BELGIUM | SWEDEN |
| TW LW SINGLES 1 1 Elton John - Something About/Candle In The Wind 1997 (Mercury) 2 NE Rosana - En Navidad (Universal) 3 2 Aqua - Barbie Girl (Universal) 5 NE Monica Naranjo - Monica Naranjo Remixes (Epic) 6 7 Nek - Tu Nombre (Warner) 7 3 Metallica - The Memory Remains (Mercury) 8 NE U2 - If God Will Send His Angels (Mercury) 10 8 Backstreet Boys - As Long As You Love Me (Virgin) 11 1 Alejandro Sanz - Mas (WEA) 2 2 Backstreet Boys - Backstreet's Back (Virgin) 3 5 Monica Naranjo - Palabra De Mujer (Epic) 4 3 Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love (Columbia) 5 4 Enya - Paint The Sky With Stars (WEA) 6 6 Jarabe De Palo - La Placa (Virgin) 7 8 The Corrs - Talk On Corners (DRO) 8 10 Aqua - Aquarium (Universal) 9 7 Metallica - Re-Load (Mercury) 10 9 Spice Girls - Spiceworld (Virgin) | TW LW SINGLES 1 1 Wes - Alane (Epic) 2 2 Celine Dion & Barbra Streisand - Tell Him (Columbia) 3 3 Anouk - Nobody's Wife (Dino) 4 4 Aqua - Doctor Jones (Universal) 5 5 Paul De Leeuw - K Heb je Lief En Wacht Op Je (Epic) 6 7 The Rapsody feat. Warren G. & Sissel - Prince Igor (Mercury) 7 6 Usher - You Make Me Wanna (BMG) 8 8 Aqua - Barbie Girl (Universal) 9 10 Allure feat. 112 - All Cried Out (Epic) 10 14 Jewel - Foolish Games (Warner) TW LW ALBUMS 1 1 Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love (Columbia) 2 2 Paul De Leeuw - Lief (Epic) 3 4 Anouk - Together Alone (Dino) 4 3 Spice Girls - Spiceworld (Virgin) 5 16 Jantje Smit - Kerstmis Met Jantje Smit (Mercury) 6 7 Barbra Streisand - Higher Ground (Columbia) 7 8 Metallica - Re-Load (Mercury) 8 5 Backstreet Boys - Backstreet's Back (Zomba) 9 6 Aqua - Aquarium (Universal) 10 15 Helmut Lotti - Goes Classic III (BMG) | TW LW | SINGLES 1 4 Hanson - I Will Come To You (PolyGram) 2 3 Eagle-Eye Cherry - Save Tonight (BMG) 3 2 Aqua - Doctor Jones (Universal) 4 5 Elton John - Sømething About Candle In The Wind 1997 (PolyGram) 5 1 Cue - Burnin' 6 11 The Rapsody feat. Warren G. & Sissel - Prince Igor (Mercury) 7 6 Backstreet Boys - As Long As You Love Me (Virgin) 8 8 Bloodhound Gang - Fire, Water, Burn (Universal) 9 10 Spice Girls - Spice Up Your Life (Virgin) 10 7 Will Smith - Just Cruisin' (Columbia) 11 ALBUMS 1 1 AQua - Aquarium (Universal) 2 4 Enya - Paint The Sky With Stars (Warner) 3 2 Era - Era (PolyGram) 4 9 Peter Jöback - Personliga Val (Sony) 5 6 Magnus Uggla - Karaoke (Sony) 6 5 Nordman - Här Och Nu (Sonet) 7 10 Spice Girls - Spiceworld (Virgin) 8 3 Metallica - Re-Load (PolyGram) 9 13 Sarah Brightman/LSO - Timeless (Warner) 10 21 Håkan Hagegård - Jul Med Håkan Hagegård (Arcade) |
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GOLDIF SATURN RETURNZ ffrr/London

International release date: January 26 (tbc)

One of the first key releases of the new year will show whether jungle can live up to and build upon the hype surrounding Roni Size/Reprazent's Mercury Music Prize winning album New Forms (Talkin' Loud) and break out of the U.K. market.

Goldie, the 'dark prince' of drum 'n' bass, returns after a two year break with 2 1/2 hours of new material spread over two CD's at the price of a single CD album. Heavy? You bet. Goldie's 1995 debut Timeless was an ambitious album, but Saturn Returnz goes even further.

The album is split into two parts: the "regular" album features 10 tracks,

including the U.K. hit single Digital with U.S. rapper KRS One. The second CD features the 60 minute suite Mother, an ambient workout titled Truth with guest vocals by none other than David Bowie-who tinkered with drum 'n' bass on his last studio album, Earthling (RCA)—and Dream Within.

Co-produced by fellow drum 'n' bass artist Optical, Mother is a rather cerebral exercise. It builds

painstakingly slowly with sparse sound effects before rising above a lush wall of keyboards, a 16piece string orchestra and an ethereal voice not unlike Diane Charlemagne's vocals on Goldie's 1995 hit Inner City Life. After 25 minutes, a relentless double bass-driven rhythm elevates the track onto a new level and the piece gains direction and depth.

In five years time, Mother is equally likely to be hailed as a significant stepping stone in the devel-

opment of modern music or as pompous drivel. The point is, however, that Goldie takes a risk and breaks with the formula, giving drum 'n' bass a chance to reach new audiences

CD one features more straightforward tracks like Temper Temper—the second single, due out January 12-with Oasis' Noel Gallagher on guitars and Chico-Death Of A Rockstar, with its hardstep rhythm and a truly awesome stereo mix.

Outside the U.K., Goldie's biggest markets in Europe are Sweden, France, Germany and Holland. The

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album is also scheduled to become a priority release in the U.S., according to London Records. Goldie will possibly play European live dates in March and April with a complete band. Details could not be not confirmed at time of going to press.

Please send review copies, information and artist photographs for consideration as Album Spotlight entries to: Christian Lorenz, Music Editor, Music & Media, 23 Ridgmount Street, London, WC1E 7AH, U.K.



Billboard TOP 20 US SINGLES **TOP 20 US ALBUMS**

DECEMBER 27, 1997

| THIS | LAST WEEK | Broadcast Data Systems TITLE LABEL/DISTRIBUTING LABEL ARTIST |
|------|--------------|--|
| 1 | 1 | SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY YOU LOOK TONIGHT, CANDLE IN THE WIND 1997 ROCKET/A&M ELTON JOHN |
| 2 | 2 | HOW DO I LIVE CURB LEANN RIMES |
| 3 | 3 | YOU MAKE ME WANNA LAFACE/ARISTA USHER |
| 4 | 9 | TOGETHER AGAIN VIRGIN JANET |
| 5 | 8 | IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BENJAMINS BAD BOY/ARISTA PUFF DADDY & THE FAMILY |
| 6 | 4 | MY BODY EASTWEST/EEG LSG |
| 7 | 5 | FEEL SO GOOD BAD BOY/ARISTA MASE |
| 8 | 10 | SHOW ME LOVE RCA ROBYN |
| 9 | 12 | TRULY MADLY DEEPLY COLUMBIA SAVAGE GARDEN |
| 10 | 6 | MY LOVE IS THE SHHH! WARNER BROS. SOMETHIN' FOR THE PEOPLE FEATURING TRINA & TAMARA |
| 11 | 7 | TUBTHUMPING REPUBLIC/UNIVERSAL CHUMBAWAMBA |
| 12) | 13 | A SONG FOR MAMA MOTOWN BOYZ II MEN |
| 13 | 11 | I WILL COME TO YOU MERCURY HANSON |
| 14 | 14 | I DON'T WANT TO WAIT IMAGO/WARNER BROS. PAULA COLE |
| 15 | 17 | THE ONE I GAVE MY HEART TO BLACKGROUND/ATLANTIC AALIYAH |
| 16) | - | WE'RE NOT MAKING LOVE NO MORE LAFACE/ARISTA DRU HILL |
| 17 | 15 | ALL CRIED OUT TRACK MASTERS/CRAVE ALLURE FEATURING 112 |
| 18 | 20 | SPICE UP YOUR LIFE VIRGIN SPICE GIRLS |
| 19 | 16 | BUTTA LOVE ARISTA NEXT |
| (20) | | I DON'T EVER WANT TO SEE YOU AGAIN |

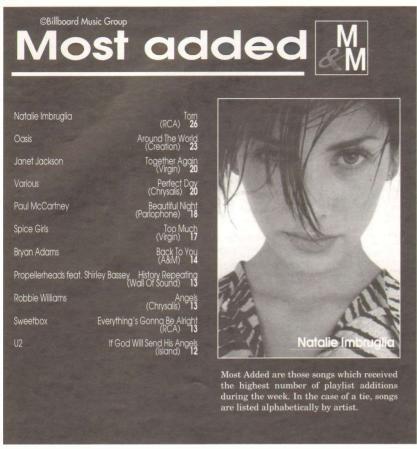
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| 1 | 1 | SEVENS CAPITOL (NASHVILLE)/CAPITOL NASHVILLE GARTH BROOKS |
| 2 | 2 | LET'S TALK ABOUT LOVE 550 MUSIC/EPIC CELINE DION |
| 3 | 3 | HIGHER GROUND COLUMBIA BARBRA STREISAND |
| 4 | 4 | YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE — INSPIRATIONAL SONGS CURB LEANN RIMES |
| 5 | 7 | TUBTHUMPER REPUBLIC/UNIVERSAL CHUMBAWAMBA |
| 6 | 6 | SPICEWORLD VIRGIN SPICE GIRLS |
| | 9 . | COME ON OVER MERCURY (NASHVILLE) SHANIA TWAIN |
| 8 | 8 | RELOAD ELEKTRA/EEG METALLICA |
| 9 | 10 | MIDDLE OF NOWHERE MERCURY HANSON |
| 10 | 11 | BUTTERFLY COLUMBIA MARIAH CAREY |
| 11 | 13 | AQUARIUM MCA AQUA |
| 12 | 12 | SNOWED IN MERCURY HANSON |
| 13) | 14 | YOURSELF OR SOMEONE LIKE YOU LAVA/ATLANTIC/AG MATCHBOX 20 |
| 14) | - | THE DANCE REPRISE/WARNER BROS. FLEETWOOD MAC |
| 15 | 17 | SPICE VIRGIN SPICE GIRLS |
| 16 | 5 | R U STILL DOWN? [REMEMBER ME] AMARU/JIVE 2PAC |
| 17) | _ | NO WAY OUT BAD BOY/ARISTA PUFF DADDY & THE FAMILY |
| 18 | 16 | HARLEM WORLD BAD BOY/ARISTA MASE |
| 19 | 19 | KENNY G GREATEST HITS ARISTA KENNY G |
| 20 | 20 | PIECES OF YOU ATLANTIC/AG JEWEL |

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Station Reports include all new additions to the playlist. Some reports will also include 'Power Play" songs, which receive special emphasis during the week. All Power Play songs are printed, whether they are reported for the first time or not. Some lists include featured new albums, as indicated by the abbreviation "AL," Within each country, stations are grouped by ranking and listed alphabetically. Rankings include: platinum (P), Gold (G), Silver (S) and Bronze (B). All playlists must be received by Monday at 13.00 h. CET.

GERMANY

EINS LIVE/Cologne P Jochen Rausch - Music Dir Playlist Additions: Bell Book & Candle-Read My Sign

Scooter- No Fate Spice Girls- Too Trinkwasser- Wie Wenig Du Weisst Wes- Alane

RADIO NRW/Oberhausen P

Jeff van Gelder - Head Of Music Playlist Additions Chris Rea- The Blue Cafe

Espen Lind- When Sus nn Du Da Bist

Bernhard Hiller - Head Of Music

Power Play: Bryan Adams- Back To You

Bryan Adams: Back To You M-People: Just For You Michael Jackson: On The Line Nana: Too Much Playlist Additions: Cappuccino: Du Fohlst Mir Hanson: I will Come To You Mr. President: Where Do I Belong? Natalie Inbruglia: Torr Robert Miles- Freedom

DELTA RADIO/Kiel G Adam Hahne - Prog Dir Frank Wilkat - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions:
Blur- Death Of A Party
Fury/Slaughterhouse-Time To Worde
Savage Garden- To The Moon

HUNDERT 6/Berlin G

Rainer Gruhn - Music Dir list Additions: Kelly Family-Red Shoes Nino De Angelo- I Can See The Light Stephen Gately- Shooting

ORB/FRITZ/Potsdam G

Bernd Albrecht, Frank Menzel. Jens Molle - Producers Playlist Unchanged

ORREDITY: FRITZ ROADSHOW Potsdam G
CHR/Rock
Bern Albrecht, Frank Menzel,
Jens Molle - Producers

Playlist Additions: Ash- A Life Less Blümchen- Sesam Jam Busta Rhymes- Dangerou

Clawfinger- Two Sides DJ Quicksilver- Planet Love Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Savage Garden- To The Moon Scooter- No Fate

RADIO ARABELLA/Munich G National Music Matthias Friedrich - Prog Dir

ist Additions: Chris White- Nur Bei Di Nockalm Quintett- Sag No Peggy March-Kommst Du Heut Nach onika Fischer- Ich Muss Dich Seh'r

RADIO ENERGY/Munich G Georg Hesse - MD Stefan Höper - Prog Dir

Playlist Additions: China Drum- Somewhere Else

Green Day- Time Of Your Life Hall & Oates- Promise Am't Enough Jonestown-Sweet Mase- Feel So Good Something F/T People-Shhh!

RADIO FFN/Hannover G

Playlist Additions:

Bell Book & Candle-Read My Sign Espen Lind- When Susannah Cries Geoffrey Williams- I Guess I

Rock/CHR
Peter "Mare" Stingl - Prog Dia

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Brigitte Barthel - Prog Dir Playlist Addition

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Hans Thomas - Producer
Playlist Additions:
Texas- Put Your Arms

UNITED KINGDOM

95.8 CAPITAL FM/London P

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96.4FM-BRMB/Birmingham P Paul Jackson - Programme Con Russ Evans - Assistent Program Cor Playlist Additions:

Paul McCartney-Beautiful Night Spice Girls- Too Wham!- If You Were There

ATLANTIC 252/Dublin P ine - Program Director

Playlist Additions: Celine Dion- The Reason Clock- That's The Way Dubstar- I Will Be Your Ian Brown- My Star Juliet Roberts- So Good Oasis- Around The World OTT- The Story Of Love Peter Andre- All Night, All Right

RBC RADIO 1/London A Jeff Smith - Head Of Music Policy

AD Oasis- Around The World Onsis-Street Fighting

B List: AD Catatonia- Murder And Scully OTT- The Story Of Love Usher-You Make Me Wanna C List Addition

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Dru Hill-This Christmas

Foo Fighters- My Hero

Gary Barlow- Merry X-Mas

Hanson- What Christmas Me Rev. Run & All Stars- Santa Bab Robbie Williams- Walk This Sleigh

KISS'100 FM/London P

Mark Matthews - Programme Dir-Simon Sadler - Head Of Music Playlist Unchanged

Smashing Pumpkins-Christ Somore- I Refuse

Sean Marley Programme Controller Luis Clark - Head of Music

list Additions:

Bamboo-Bamboogie
Ce Ce Peniston-Somebody
Family Stand-Ghetto Heaven
Oasis-Around The World
Peter Andre-All Night, All Right
Space-Avenging Angels

Dave Shearer - Program Controller Playlist Addit

CITY FM/Liverpool G

Oasis- Around The World

CLYDE 1 FM/Glasgow G

Ross Macfadgen - Head Of Music Playlist Additions

Bamboo-Bamboogie Peter Andre- All Night, All Right

DOWNTOWN RADIO/Rolfost C

Garth Brooks-Belleau Wood Paul McCartney-Beautiful Night

Wynonna & M. English- F

FORTH FM/Edinhurgh G

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BT- Flaming June Chumbawamha- Amnesia Dubstar- I Will Be Your

HATTAM EW/Shaffold /

Bernard Butler- Stay Brand New Heavies- Shelte Matchbox 20- Push Oasis- Around The World Police- Walking On The (RMX) Rialto- Untouchable Wildchild- Renegade Master

INVICTA FM/Whitstable G

Tim Stewart - Head Of Music Playlist Addit

Chicken Shed-I'm In Love With Clock- That's The Way Juliet Roberts, So Good Dasis- Around The World

MELODY FM/London G

Francis Currie - Program Director Playlist Unchanged

ROCK FM/Preston/Blackpool G

Paul Jordan - Prog Dis Stuart Baldwin - Head Of Music Playlist Unchanged

Paul Chantler - Prog Dir Playlist Additions: Brand New Heavies- Shelte Chumbawamba- Amnesia

Clock- That's The Way Gala- Let A Boy Cr

FOX FM/Oxford S

Mark Flanagan - Prog Dir

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Q 102.9 FM/Londonderry S

CHR
Trevor Thomas - Head Of Music
Playlist Additions:
Aerosmith - Pink
Bamboo - Bamboogie
Chicken Shed - I'm In Love With

Clock- That's The Way Clock: That's The Way
Levellers- Dog Train
OTT: The Story Of Love
Paul McCartney Beautiful Night
Roachford: How Could I? (Insecur
Space- Avenging Angels

ORCHARD EM/Tounton R

Bob McCreadie - Program Con Playlist Additions: Blackstreet- Buy Me Love Celine Dion- The Reason

Genesis-Shipwrecked Levellers- Dog Train Lighthouse Family- High Seaborses-You Can Talk To Me

Simon Tate - Program Controlle:

Playlist Additions Bamboo-Bamboogie Celine Dion- The Reason Clock- That's The Way Corrs- I Never Loved You
Five- Slam Dunk Da Funk
Imani Copolla- Legend Of A Cowgirl
Kylie Minogue- Did It Again
Levellers- Dog Train
Mase- Feel So Good
Oasis- Around The World
Paul Young- Make Someon Happy Propellerbead/Bassey Red 5- Lift Me Up Steps- 5.6.7.8 ve Houghton-Wind Beneath

XFM 104 9/London R

Will Smith, Just Cruisin

list Additions: Barry Adamson- What It Means Faith No More- Ashes Katerine- Mon Coeur Balance Laptop- End Credits Oasis- Around The World

FRANCE

FRANCE INTER/Paris P

. arc Garcia - Music Dir

Playlist Additions: Elton John- Recover Your Soul Janet Jackson-Togethe Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Passi- Je Zappe Et Je Mate Sol En Si- Ubu

TDEOS CHADT/Donio E

ist Additions:
Alain Bashung- La Nuit Je Mens
Mariah Carey- Butterfly
Michel Sardou- Mon Dermer Rêve
Patricia Kaas- Les Lignes Sheryl Crow-Tomorrow Never Dies Shola Ama-You're The One I Love

Verve- The Drugs Don't Work

NOSTALGIE NETWORK/Paris P

Christian Savigny - Program Dire Playlist Unchanged

Max Guazzini - Dir Playlist Additions: Boyz II Men- A Song For Mama Da Hool- Love Para

RTL/Paris P

Alain Tibolla - Head Of Prog Playlist Additions: Imani Copolla- Legend Of A Cowgur Passi- Je Zappe Et Je Mate Smash Mouth- Walking On The Sun Spice Girls- Too

RTL 2/Paris P Christian Lefebvre - Program Direc

Playlist Additions:
Alain Chamfort-Tombouctor
Jean-Louis Aubert-Je Crois

ISABELLE FM/Tocane Saint Apre B Patrick Lapeyronnie - Prog Dir

Playlist Additions: and Van Helden- Uitra Funkula La Bouche- You Won't Forget Me Mary J. Blige- Everything Pills- Rock Me Red Army Choir- Red Army Dance

ITALY

101 NETWORK/Miles D

Stefano Carboni - Music Dia Dario Desi - Head Of Music Playlist Additions:

Aqua- Doctor Jone Corrs- Only When I Sleep Irene Grandi- Otto & Mezzo Irene Grandi- Otto & Mei Jamiroquai- High Times M-People- Fantasy Island Meredith Brooks- I Need Natalie Imbrugtia- Torn Oasis- Around The World

ITALIA NETWORK: LOS

Playlist Additions Activa-Right!

Aqua- Doctor Jones De' Lacy- All I Need Steve Silk Hurley-The World Is Love T42- Children's Voices

Michele Menegon - Prog Dir Playlist Additions:

Busta Rhymes-Dang Elton John- Recover Your Soul Giorgia- Un Amore Da Favola Neffa- Navighero La Notte Shola Ama- Who's Loving My Baby

KICC KICC NETWORK/Nonles E

Davide Niespoli - Head Of Progra Playlist Additions Aqua- Doctor Jones Boy George- When Will You Learn

Irene Grandi Otto & Mezzo Jovanotti- Il Mura Oscie. Around The World Oasis- Around The World Red Hot R+B- Every Nation Sash!- Stay Smash Mouth-Walking On The Sun

Angelo De Robertis - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions Alma Matris-Ritmo Mecan J. Ax- Quelli Come Me Robbie Williams Angels

RADIO DEEJAY NETWORK/Milan

CHR/Dance
Dario Usuelli - Head Of Mus
Playlist Additions:
De' Lacy- All I Need Mase- Feel So Good Natalie Imbruglia- Torr Sly & Robbie- Penny Lover

RTI. 102.5 - HFT RADIO/Bergamo P

Music Playlist Additions: Irene Grandi - Otto & Mezzo Janet Jackson - Together

Max Desiato - Head Of Music Celine Dion- The Reason

RV1 FM/Turin G

Playlist Additions list Additions:
Aerosmith-Pink
Dhamm-Il Cielo Sotto
Fleetwood Mac- Bleed To Love Her
Giorgia- Un Amore Da Favoia
Joe Cocker-Tonight
Lisa Stansfield-Don't Cry For Me M-People- Fantasy Island

Sweetbox- Everything's RADIO SOUND STEREO/Ferrara S

CHR
Sandro Alberghini - Prog Dir
Power Play:
Gary Barlow- Open Road
Jon Bon Jovi- Janie, Don't Take
Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Playlist Additions 883- La Dura Legge

Blackstreet- Buy Me Love Boyzone-Baby Can I Hold Boyz II Men- A Song For Mama David Bowie- I Can't Read Five Slam Dunk Da Funk Five- Slam Dunk Da Punk Louise- Let's Go Round Pooh- Brava La Vita Robbie Williams- Angels Sweetbox- Everything's Will Smith- Get Jiggy With It

ROCK FM/Milan S

Marco Garavelli - Head Of Music Playlist Addition

Bryan Adams- Back To You Tanya Donnely- Pretty Deep

PRIMARADIO/Naples B

Max Mele - Prog Dir

Playlist Additions:
Antonella Ruggiero-Per Un' Ora D'Amon
Aqua- Doctor Jones
DJ Enzo & J. Ax- Quello Che Vuci Elisa- Labyrinth Emy- Come Ho Fatto Io Ramazzotti/Turner-Cose Della Vita Filippo Malatesta- Alla Grande Jimmy Ray- Are You Lighthouse Family- Raincloud Neri Per Caso- Quello Che Vuoi Paid-Live-Hill- All My Time Smash Mouth- Walking On The Sun Spice Girls- Too Verve- Lucky Wham!- Everything She Wants '97 Will Smith- Get Jiggy With It Filippo Malatesta- Alla Grande

SPAIN

CADENA 100/Madrid P Rock/CHR Rock/CHR
Carlos Finaly - Prog Dir
Playlist Additions:
Camaron- Como El Agua
Celtas Cortos- 20 De Abril

Ramazzotti/Turner-Cose Della Vita Gabinete Caligari-Devuélvase Hanson- Merry Christmas Baby John Leanon- Happy X-Mas Cano & Domingo- Y Nos Vamos Pa Belér Natalie Imbruglia-Torx Neil Finn- Don't Dream Nek- Cómo Vivir Sin Ti

CADENA 40 PRINCIPALES/Madrid

Luis Merino - MD/Head Of Music Sandro d'Angeli - Prog Dir Power Play: Presuntos Implicados-Todas Las Flore

Chucho- El Detonador David De Maria- En Nombre Del Amo Midge Ure- Breathe

Moby- James Bond Theme

Third Eve Blind- How It's Going To Be

PORTUGAL

ANTENA 3/Lisbon P

Playlist Additions:

Arnold/PropeBerhead- On Her Majesty's Ramazzotti/Turner- Cose Della Vita Hurricane-Step Jaydee- Plastic Dreams Jimmy Ray- Are You L.L. Cool J- Father Prodigy- Smack My Bitch Up Red Hot R+B- Every Nation Todd Terry- It's Over Love Verve- Lucky Will Smith- Get Jiggy With It

RFM/Lisbon P Pedro Tojal - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions Aerosmith-Pink João Pedro Pais- Louco (Por Ti) Lighthouse Family- High Toni Braxton- How Could An Angel

HOLLAND

NPS KORT EN KLIJN/Hilversum P

CHR
Tom Blomberg · DJ/Producer
Corné Klijn · DJ/Producer
Playlist Additions:
Aerosmith- Pink
Bobby D' Ambrosio- MamePha-ze · A Bee On A Bee
Propellerhead/Bassey- Hutary Re
Puf Daddy'Pamip- it's All About
Scott Garcia- London Sarcia- Indon Scott Garcia- London Thing Spice Girls- Too

RADIO 538/Hilversum P

Erik de Zwart - MD All Saints, Never Ever

All Saints-Never Ever
D-Tune- Burning Down
Flamman/Abraxas- Ruh It In
Janet Jackson- Together
Jay-Z/Babyface/Brown- Sunshine
Lighthouse Family- Raincloud Queen- No One U2- Angels Venga Boys- To Brazil Wham!- Last Christma

Yves De Ruyter- The Rebe

RADIO NOORDZEE



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NATIONAAL/Naarden P Ron Sterrenburg - Head Of Music Plaulist Additi

ist Additions: Close II You-Baby Don't Go De Windkracht 10- Together Mac & Kastie Kisson-! Would Never Say Mama's Jasje- Kalverliefde Stef Bos- De Tovenaar

Ton Lathouwers - MD

SKY RADIO 100.7FM/Bussum P

on Lathouwers - MD
laylist Additions:

Close II You- Baby Don't Go
Janet Jackson- Together

Natalie Imbruglia- Torn

TROS RADIO 3/MEGA TOP 100/

Klass Samplonius - Head Of Music Playlist Addition

list Additions;
Aerosmith- Pink
Flammen/Abraxas- Rub It In
Missy Elliott- Sock it 2 Me
Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night PF Project- Choose Robbie Williams Angels Spice Girls- Too Type Of Girl- Chernes in The Snow U2- Angels Yves De Ruyter- The Rebel

Tom Mulder - Prog Dir Playlist Unchanged

LOVE RADIO/Amsterdam B

Elliott Robinson - Music Div Playlist Additio

Dru Hill- We'Re Not Joe- Good Girls Red Hot R+B- Every Na

BELGIUM

BRTN RADIO DONNA/Brussels P

rc Deschuyter - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: Celine Dion-The Reason Isabelle A- Liefste

Jimmy Somerville- Safe Nek-Dimmi Cos'E' Propellerhead/Bassey-History Reper Space Brothers-Forgive Spice Girls- Too Warren G/Sissel- Prince Iro

RDTN STUDIO RDI ISSEI /Buscool

Jan Hautekiet - Producer Playlist Additions

Beautiful Babies- She's So Easy Dead Man Ray- Beege Life Of Agony- Desire
Natalie Imbruglia- Torn
Our Lady Peace- Clumsy

RADIO 21/Brussels P Christine Goor - Head Of Music Marc Francart/Pierre Dubois - HOM Playlist Additions:

Blackstreet- Happy Song (Tonita Bryan Adams- Back 10 (1)
Diana King- L-l-hes
Five- Slam Dunk Da Funk
Julien Baer- Marie Pense A Moi
Propellerhead/Bassey- History Repeating Bryan Adams- Back To Yo

RADIO CONTACT N/Brussels P

Danny de Bruyn - Prog Dir

list Additions:
4 Ever- Can U Handle It
Allure- All Cred Out
David Charvet- Should I Leave
Dr. Alban- Long Time Ago Genesis-Shipwrecked Get Ready-Samen lsabelle A- Liefste Kid Creale- | Got My Handy Or na- lk Laat Me

-People-Fantasy Island chael Learns TR-Im Ganna be Ar-atalie Imbrugtia-Torn > Mercy- My Promise Peter Andre- Lonely Robert Miles- Freedon Robbie Williams- Angels Run DMC- It's Like Tha ne- Laat Me Zv

Spice Girls-Too
Various-Perfect Day
Will Smith-Just Cruisi
Will Tura-Oh My Love

BEL-RTL/Brussels G Serge Jonckers - Prog Dir Playlist Additi 2B3- Des Mots

Joe Cocker-Tonight Maurane-Chanson De L'Autruche Various-Perfect D

Joban Van Achte - Producer Playlist Additio

Aqua- Doctor Jones Get Ready- Samen Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Petra- Als Ik Droom

BRTN RADIO 2-WEST FLANDERS Peter de Groot - Head Of Musi

Playlist Unchanged RRF/Eupen S

ns - Prod Juy Janssens - Producer Playlist Additions: Radiohead- No Surprise Various- Perfect Day

HTT-FM 106 1/Hasselt R

André Hemeryck - Prog Dir

Blackstreet- Buy Me Love Boyz II Men- A Song For Mama oelle A- Liefste Janet Jackson- Togethe M-People-Fantasy Island Robbie Williams- Angels Soul Made-Last Ch

RADIO MOL/Mal B nja Celen - Producer

Naylist Additions: Freek De Jonge- Heer Heb Meeli) Joe Cocker-Tonight Mariah Carey- Butterfly Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night Puff Daddy- Been Around Various- Perfect Day Will Tura- Oh My Love

SWITZERLAND

COULEUR 3/Lausanne G Thierry Catherine - Head Of Music

wer Play; Catherine Wheel- Delicio Coco & The Bean- Versus The 90's

st Additions: Bootsy Collins- I'm Leavin' U Capleton- East Coast To Dave Angel- Funk Music Delinquent Habits- This Is L.A Feel- Evil Oriental Garnet Silk- Wrong Is Wro Lee Scratch Perky, LSD, J. S.F. Propellerhead/Bassey. History Reper Steve Silk Hurley. The World is L Virago- Tout Va Pour Will Smith- Just Crursin'

RS 3/Zurich G

Christoph Alispach - Music Co-Ord Playlist Additions

fist Additions:
Cornershop-Sleep
Gregg Allman- House Of Blues
Lightning Seeds- What You Say
Paid/Live/Hill- All My Time
Propellerhead/Bassey- History Repeating Sex-O-Sonique-1 Thought I

RADIO BASILISK/Basel G Nick Schulz - Head Of Music

RADIO FOERDERBAND/Berne G Sascha Herzog - Head Of Music Jean-Claude Frick - Music Coordinate

Power Play: Bell Book & Candle- Roscue Me Midge Ure- Breathe Star- We're Only Human Playlist Additions: Nubya- Future For Us

Jean Luc Zwickert - Prog Dir

Playlist Additions: Nek- Laura Non C'E Poetic Lover- Qu'll En Soit Ams Usher- You Make Me Wanna

RADIO PILATUS 104.9/Lu

Ralf Tschuppert - Music Dir Philippe Unterschütz - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions: Elton John- Recover Your Soul A.P.D.- PII Be There
ghtning Seeds- What You Say
rquis/Dent & Emel- Melody L.A.P.D.- I'll Be The

Paid/Live/Hill- All My Tim o- Once Upon A T

Chris Kramer - Head Of Music Playlist Additions:

Awesome-Rumour Awesome- Rumours
Boyzone- Baby Can I Hold
C-Block- Eternal Grace
Down Low- Johnny B
Elton John- Recover Your S Jungle- For You Tonigh Nubya- Future For Us Oasis- Around The World Star- We're Only Huma Sweethox-Everything's

Verena. Finally Alon RADIO ZUERISEE/Rapperswil G

zel - Music Edi Playlist Additions: Celine Dion- Tell Him Chris Rea- The Blue Cafe Code 5- I'll Be There Code 5-1'll Be There
Coleske-Take Me To Where
Cultured Pearls-Sugar Sugar Honey
Dario G- Sunchyme
Elton John-Recover Your Soul Enya-Only If Holograms- Thank You J.Jacques Goldman- On Ira Jewel- Foolish Games Joe Cocker- Tonight Lutricia McNeal- My Side Of To Mr. President- Where Do I Belong talie Imbruglia-Torr Nubya-Future For Us
Ofra Haza- Show Me
Pappa Bear- Chensh
Paul Young- Ball & Chain
Paul McCartney- Beautful Night
Phil Collins- The Same Moon Pur-Wenn Du Da Bist Randy Crawford- Are You Sure Ricky Martin-Donde Es hawn Colvin- Sunny Came Hom

Jacky Sanders - Prog Dir

Playlist Additions: Adam F- The Tree Knows Everything Flip Da- | Never Huff And Herb- Feeling Lighthouse Family-High Poetic Lover-Qu'll En Soit Air Poetic Lover- Qu'll En Soi Propellerhead/Bassey- fissory & Shawn Colvin- Nothin On Sir J- L'Ultimo Della Serra Sweetbox- Everything's Sylvia Powell- Butterfly Verve-Lucky

RADIO 3 III/Mendrisio B

Beris Piffaretti - Prog Dir

Power Play: Aqua- Do Janet Jackson-Together Neri Per Caso- Quello Che Vuo Spice Girls- Too

Various- Perfect Day ist Additi

tist Additions:

Boyzone: Baby Can I Hold

Brand New Heavies: Shelter

Etton John: Candle In The Wind

Lisa Stansfield: Dun't Cry For Me

Oasis: Around The World

Sweetbox: Everything's

IJE: Angels

U2- Angels Verve- Lucky Will Smith- Get Jiggy With It

RADIO FRIBOURG/Fribourg B

Thierry Savary - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: Chris Rea- The Blue Cafe

Jane Fostin- L'Amour T'Aiders Jonestown-Sweet Leme- The Almighty een Latifah- It's Alm

Joel Perrier - Prog Dir Playlist Additio

Ricky Martin-Te Extrano, Te Olvido Rolling Stones- Anybody Seen

AUSTRIA

Ö 3/Vienna P

Alfred Rosenauer - Head Of Music Playlist Additions

Ramazzotti/Turner- Cose Della Vita Robyn- Show Me Love Will Smith- Just Cruisin'

SWEDEN

SVERIGES RADIO P3: MEST SPELADE/Stockholm

Mats Grimberg - Producer

Anouk- Nobody's Wife Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me Blue System- Anythine Brian blcKnight-1 Belong To You Brian McKnight-1 Belong To You Bruce Springsteen-Hungry Heart Cajsa-Lisa Ejemyr- Stanna Kvar Celine Dion-Tell Him Ramazzotti/Turner-Cose Della Vita Martin-Mitt Storsta Aventyr Matchbox 20- Push Rolling Stones-Out Of Control Suzzies Orkester- En Rod Dod Ros Will Smith-Just Crusin'

RADIO STOCKHOLM/Stockholm G Robert Sehlherg - Music Director

ist Additions: Alison Limerick- Put Your Faith Bo Kaspers- Onska Dig Drömhus- I Mina Drommar Hanson- What Christmas Mean John Mellencamp- Without Expr Lisa Lindehergh- Un & Down Maarja- What In This World Radiohead- No Surprises

Jocke Bring - Prog Dir Playlist Addition

666- Alarma Earthbound- Every Elephant & Castle- Wake Un recracker- I'll Be Good Trance- The Mind tter Andre- All Night, All Right see Gaines- I Surrender

DENMARK

DANMARKS RADIO P3/Conenhagen

Morten Rindholt - Playlist Co-ord Playlist Additions: Bizzi- Bizzi's Party

Busta Rhymes- Danger Elcka- Roll The Dice Kylie Minogue- Did It Again Space Monkeys- Sugar Cane

THE VOICE/Conenhagen F

Eik Frederiksen - Prog Dir aylist Unchang

COLOMBO Århus G

CHR Jesper Raab - Music Director

lavlist Addi list Additions:

Busta Rhymes - Dangerous
Celine Dion - The Reason
Juice - Down For Your Love
MLTR- I'm Gonna Be Around
Oasis - Around The World Rolling Stones- Saint Of Me Sanne Graulund- Ay Ay

ANR/Aslborg G

Lars Trillingsgaard - Head Of Music Playlist Additions

Emptions, Ohvis Janet Jackson Together Oasis- Around The World Robbie Williams- Angels Rolling Stones- Saint Of Me

RADIO ABC/Randers G

Kent Kordt Röder - Prog Dir r Play: S.O.A.P- This Is How We Party

Playlist Additions: Matchbox 20- 3 A.M.

Oasis- Around The World Peter Andre- All Night, All Right Rahsaan Patterson- Who Rolling Stones Saint Of Me Rosie Gaines I Surrender

RADIO UPTOWN/Conenhagen G

Jan Brodde - Music Coord

list Additions: Andreas Dorau- Girls In Love Flip Da- I Never Matchbox 20- 3 A.M. Peter Andre- All Night, All Right Rahsaan Patterson- Wi S.O.A.P. This Is How We Party Spice Girls Too

RADIO VIBORG/Viborg G

Poul Foged - Operations Manage Jan Thulstrup - Head Of Music Playlist Additio

Eagle-Eve Cherry- Save Tonight Matchbox 20-3 A.M Robbie Williams- Angels

S.O.A.P. This Is How We Party

Claus Nielsen - HOM Playlist Additions

2 Brothers O/T 4th F- I'm Trunking Of You Eagle-Eye Cherry- Save Tonight Oasis- Around The World Peter Andre- All Night, All Right

RADIO SILKEBORG/Silkeborg S Michael Jorgensen - HOM

Playlist Add

Agron Carter, Crave Little Porty Cir Aaron Carter- Crazy Little Part
Andreas Dorau- Gerls In Lo
Babyface/Wonder- Gone Too S
Coleake- Take Me To Where
Collective Soul- Maybe
Coxrs- I Never Loved You
Emotions- Olivia Flip Da- I Never

Garth Brooks-Longneck Bottle

Kylie Minogue- Did It Again Various- Perfect Day

STATION KØBENHAVN 102.9 FM Copenhagen S Hot AC/CHR Kristian Høyrup - Music Director

Playlist Additi Agus-Didn't I Royz II Men. A Song For Mame Boyz II Men- A Song For Man Jamiroquai- High Times Kytle Minogue- Did It Again Natalie Imbruglia- Torn No Doubt- Sunday Morning Oasis- Around The World Rosie Gaines- I Surrender Space Brothers- Forgiven Spice Girls- To

U2- Angels VLR/Veile S

Jon Kristiansen - Prog Dir/Head Of

Oasis- Around The World Pappa Bear- Cherish Peter Andre- All Night, All Right Rolling Stones-Saint Of Mo S.O.A.P. This Is How We Party

RADIO 2/Copenhagen E

AC
Hans-Otto Bisgaard - Prog Dir
Jan Brodde - Music Coord
Power Play:
Boyzone- Baby Can 1 Hold
Bryan Adams- Back To You

Lighthouse Family-Raincloud Michael Learns TR- I'm Gonna be Aroung

Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Playlist Addi

Sanne Graulund- Ay Ay Spice Girls- Too arious-Perfect Day

RADIO HOLBÆK/Holbaeck B

Mette Kofoed - Prog Dir

Mette non-Power Play: Daniel- After It's Over Daniel-After It's Over Playlist Additions: All Saints-Never Ever Big Fat Snake-Bonsoir M. Miss Papaya-Jingle Bells Sonie Dream-Love Sweetbox-Everything's

NORWAY

NRK PETRE/Oslo P ils Heldal - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions: Bertine Zetlitz-Apples & Diamonds

Bob Hund- Et Fall & En Løsning Kent- Om Du Var Har Nei Til Narkotika- Skyter Meg Nei Til Narkotika-Skyte Space Monkeys-Sugar C Sunclub-Single Minded F Tubs- Ann Again

Egil Houeland · Head Of Music Playlist Additions:

Celine Dion- The Reason Corrs- I Never Loved You Dance With A Stranger-Ro

ınd Moastuen - Head Of Music

FINLAND YLE 2/RADIOMAFIA/Helsinki P s na Pakkanen - Prog Dir

Playlist Unchanged

Jukka Haarma - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: Coleske - Take Me To Where Corrs - I Never Loved You Down Low- Johnny B Hybrid Children- No Apologies Karkkiautomaaytti-Seikkaluun M-People-Fantasy Island Miljoonasade-Sulka asis- Around The World olling Stones- Saint Of Me

RUSSIA

RADIO C/Ekaterinburg G Oleg Khlebnikov -Prog Dir

og Khlebnikov -Prog wer Play: Aerosmith- Pink Cure- Wrong Num Gary Barlow- Ope Lube- Gody Queen- No One

ylist Additions: All Saints- Never Eve Bootsy Collins- I'm Leavin' U Janet Jackson, Too

Janet Jackson- Together
Daddy/Evans: I'll Be Missing
Savage Garden- Truly Madly Deeply
Sheryl Crow- Tomorrow Never Dies
UB40- Always There
V. Uslanov- Ty Sdelana Iz Ognja
Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor

RADIO MAXIMUM/Perm G Alexey Glazatov - Prog Diz

Power Play:
Janet Jackson- Together
Playlist Additions: ist Additions: Bloodhound Gang- Fire Water Diana King- L-l-lies

U2- Angels MUSIC RADIO/Perm S

Mikhail Eidelman - Prog Controller Playlist Additions: Eternal- Angel Of Mine

Robbie Williams- Angels

POLAND

RADIO GDANSK/Gdansk G rek Cogjelski . Hoad Of Music

시ay: ose Is Black- Snieg Zasypte Nas Rose Is Black: Snieg Zasypie Ni Playlist Additions: All Sainte: Never Ever Budka Sultera: Nowa Wieza Babel Deep Forest: Madazulu Hanson: Merry Christmas Baby

Natalia Niemen- Zrobie Na Opak Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night Piasek- Mocniej
Robbie Williams- Walk This Sleigh
Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor

Adam Kolscinski - Head Of Music Power Play: Corrs- 1 Never Loved You Deep Forest- Madazulu

Various-Perfect Day ylist Additions: Budka Suffera-Nova Wieza Babel Dannii- Everything I Wanted Hermes House- I Will Survive Kylie Minogue- Did It Again Lara Fabien-Tout Lizar-Z Kopyta Kulig M-People- Fantasy Island M. Szczesniak- Raduy Sie Svecie Natalie Imbruglia-Torn Olive-Miraci Olive- Mıracle Paul McCartney-Beautiful Night
Pharao- Once Upon A Time
Scooter- No Fate

Wiktor Jachacz - DJ/Producer Power Play Budka Suflera- Nowa Wieza Babe

Various- Perfect Day ist Additions: list Additions:
Angelique Kidjo- Azan Nan Kp
Blenders- Pomedzalek
Chris Rea. The Blue Cafe
Chris De Burgh- Forevermore
Dannii- Everything I Wanted
Deep Forest- Madazulu
Lara Rabijan, Tout Lara Fabien-Tout Lizar- Z Kopyta Kulig

Natalia Niemen- Zrobie Na Opak

Paul McCartney- Beautiful Nie RADIO MANHATTAN/Lode C CHR/ROCK Marcin Bisiorek - Head Of Music

Power Play: De Su- Wlasnie Stajesz Siá Lara Fabien-Tout Not For Bovz- W Blasku Swie

ust Additions: Kenny G- Loving You M. Szczesniak- Radu

Mr. President: Where Do I Belong? Natalie Imbruglia-Torn Pharao- Once Upon A Time

RADIO MERKURY/Poznan G

Power Play:

Plaulist Addition

Janet Jackson-Torother

list Additions: Angelique Kidjo- Azan Nan Kpe Bunbury- Alicia De Su- Wlasnie Stajesz Siá Dolly Parton- Peace Train

Elektryczne Gitary- Ja Jestem Nowy Rok

Garth Brooks-Longneck Bottle

vinda- A Modern Ma

Hanson- I Will Come To You

Hanson - I Will Come To Y. John Lennon - Happy X-M Kenny G. Loving You Lucio Dalla - Canzione Natalie Imbruglia - Torn Olive - Miracle Robbie Williams - Walk This Sk Sheryl Crow - Tomorrow Never Stereophonics - Traffic 179, Angele

U2- Angels

Power Play:

Playlist Additions

Verve-Lucky

RADIO POMORZA I KUJAW/Ryd.

Bryan Adams- Back To You

Blue System- Anything

De Su-Wlasnie Staies:

De Su. Wlasnie Stajesz Sia Diana King. L-l-hes Dolly Parton- Peace Train Dream Theater- Hollow Y. Garth Brooks- Longneck E Hanson- Merry Christmas Janet Jackson- Together L.O. 27- Kiedy Cheesz Lucks Della, Cardina

Lucio Dalla- Canzion

N-Trance- I'm Sexy

Natalie Imbruglia- Torn

Robert Miles- Freedor

RADIO SZCZECIN/Szczecin G

Piotr Rokicki - Head Of Music

Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me

BEH BOOK & Uander-Rescue Me Björk- Bachelorette Blenders- Pomedzalek Blue System- Anything Bryan Adams- Back To You Dzem- Tyko Dja Wybranych Elektryczne Gitary- Ja Jestem Nowy Rok Errol Brown- Pamly Chratmas Time Firebirds- Tray Zwzenia

Firebirds Trzy Zyczenia Goya- Bo Ya Green Day- Time For Your Life

John Lennon-Happy X-Mas M. Szczesniak-Raduj Sie Sviecu Mike Scott-Rare Precious And Gone

Moonlight- Wiem Not For Boyz- W Blasku Swied

Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night

Pharan-Once Upon A Time

Piasek- Mocniej Roan/Przyjaciele- Ten Zimowy Cza Robbie Williams- Walk This Sleigh Stevie Wonder- Twinkle Twinkl Sting & Pras- Rusanne (Puff Daddy Remi 119, Aprella

Perfect- Niepokonani

U2- Angels Verve- Lucky

Walkabouts- Lift

Yes-Open Your Eyes

RADIO ZACHOD/Zielona Gora G

ugeniusz Banachowicz - HOM ower Play: Various- Perfect Day

Chris De Burgh- Forever

Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me

Chris De Burgh. Forevermore Chris Rea. The Blue Cafe David Lee Roth. Don't Piss Me Off Dream Theater. Hollow Years Komakino- Man On Mars Natalie Imbruglia. Torn Natalia Niemen- Zrobie Na Opak

Playlist Additions

War- Low Rider

Hanson- I Will Come To You

Janet Jackson-Together Joe Cocker-Tonight

Playlist Additions

Ryszard Gloger - Head Of Music RADIO BIALYSTOK/Bialystok S Playlist Addit Tomek Wolski - Head Of Music

Blenders- Poniedzialek Chris Rea- The Blue Cafe Dannii- Everything I Wanted John Lennon- Imagine John Lennon- Happy X-Mas Lara Fabien- Tou Lizar- Namekniesz Mietek Szczesntak- Tout Mr. President- Where Do I Reland Mr. President Where Do I Belong?
Natalia Niemen- Zrobie Na Opak
Pauf McCartney- Beautiful Night
Pharac- Once Upon A Time
Scooter- No Fate
United- Go Baby, Go

Gronieki-Wolam Za Toba Janet Jackson- Together Midnight Oil- White Skin Robbie Williams- Walk The Sleigh Sweetbox- Everything's Tytus Wojnowicz- Kulig Ze Swia RADIO ESKA NORD/Gdvnia S Jacek Hopfer - Head Of Music

Piotrt Patzer - Head Of Music Piotr Patzer - Head Of Music
Playlist Additions:
Blessid Union- Light In Your Eyes
Brand New Heavies- You've Got
Budka Suffers- Nowa Wicza Babel
China Black - Emotion

Dannii- Everything I Wanted Deep Forest- Madazulu Foxy Brown- Big Bad Mami Janet Jackson- T Lara Fabien- Tou

Oddzial Zamkniety- Nie Jestem Swiety Pappa Bear- Cherish Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night Sinead O'Connor- This Is A

X-Perience- I Don't

Power Play:
Bryan Adams Back To You
Perfect Niepokonam

Diana King- L-l-lies

Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me

Felicjan Andrzejczak - Zamo Gronicki- Wolam Za Toba

Playlist Additions:

De Su- Was

M. Szczesmiak- Raduj Sie Sviece Mr. President- Where Do I Belong? Natalia Niemen- Zrobie Na Opak Not For Boyz- W Blasku Swiec Paul McCartney- Beautifu! Night Pharao- Once Upon A Time

RADIO PULS/Gliwice S

Darek Kanturski - Head Of Music

Darek Kapturski - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: 10,000 Maniacs- Rainy Day De Su- Wissne Stajesz Siá Diana King- L-l-hes Garth Brooks- Longneck Bottle Janet Jackson- Together Red Hot R+B- Every Nation Tina Turner- Love Is

RADIO RVTM/Lublin S Vojtek Zasada - Head Of Music

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ower Play: Krzystof Antkowiak- Kiedy Chce Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night Playlist Additions:

Blenders- Poniedzialek Deep Forest- Madazulu Lara Fabien- Tout Mietek Szczesntak-Radui Sie Swier Natalia Niemen-Zrobie Na Opak Robbie Williams-Walk This Sleigh Take 4- Taki Chlupae

RADIO "I"/Inowrocław B CHR

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Deep Forest- Madazulu
Paul McCartney- Beautiful Night
ist Additions:
Chris Rea- The Blue Cafe Kenny G- Have Yourself
Lara Fabien-Tout
Malarze I Zoenterze- Zrob Sobie Dobrze
M. Szczeaniak- Raduj Ste Sviecie
Natalia Niemen- Zrobie Na Opak Not For Boyz- W Blasku Swie

Pharao- Once Upon A Time

RADIO LELIWA/Tarnobrzeg B

Rafal Freyer - Head Of Music wona Kutyna - Music Coordin

Playlist Addition list Additions:
Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me
Bryan Adams- Back To You
Janet Jackson- Together
Natalie Imbruglia- Torn
Wham!- Last Christmas

RADIO TORUN/Torun B

Pawel Pensko - Head Of Music Power Play: Diana King- L-l-lies Jak Wolnose- Gram W Ciempo

Playlist Additions **Uexia- It's X-M**as Tim Blenders- Poniedzialek Chris Ren- The Blue Cafe Janet Jackson-Togethe

John Lennon-Happy X-Mas Malarze I Zoente N-Trance- I'm Sexy?
U2- Angels
Universe- Zostan Ze Mna Jeslj Kocha

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by programming editor Mike McGeever

This is traditionally the time of year for Christmas wishes and letters to Santa Claus. So, in the final Talk Radio of the year, we thought we'd help the man in the red suit by forwarding to the North Pole the

wishes of some of those who claim to have been wellbehaved programmers during the past year.

We asked them: "If you were only getting one gift this season that—and that gift was from the music industry-what would would you want?"

In the U.K., Radio City/Liverpool programmer director, Dave Shearer hopes for more respect from record companies for broadcasters outside London. "I want those record companies who only use London FM stations as a benchmark to get out and see how radio is done elsewhere

"We all talk the talk, now it's time to walk the walk. They have to realise that if you are in the business of selling records or the business of playing records on-airit is the music business. If we can't have that, then I want Sporty Spice."

Jim Sampson, music co-ordinator at German rock station Bayern 3/Munich, says he will be looking for some sign of better understanding of formats by record company promotions executives in his stocking on Christmas morning.

"Some of them [pluggers] simply do not know our format. If you have got to explain what you are doing in a music and programming sense—for the 20th time—to someone who has really never understood what out format is, it becomes frustrating. If that can't happen, then just give me one week without any CDs coming through the door.

In Ireland, Dublin CHR FM 104 programmer Dave Kelly has a modest Christmas wish. "We have a good relationship with most record companies—I want that to continue. Other than that, more sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll; and by that I mean excitement!"

The past year saw tangible evidence of better co-operation between the record and radio industries across Europe. That evidence included labels providing more artists for stations' roadshows and a new openness from major media groups-for example, Emap in the U.K.extending an offer of partnership to labels and independent promotions companies to work on specific projects such as, in Emap's case, a major multi-artist concert tour next summer.

No doubt, like any Christmas, there will be some disapointments-and like all of us, radio programmers might not get quite what they asked for. But there are also bound to be a few surprises, and hopefully they'll be pleasant ones... In the meantime, all that remains is for me to wish our readers in the radio and record industries a merry Christmas and a happy new year. Let's talk more radio in '98.

CITY 93.7 FM/Prague G

Peter Kral - Prog Dir David Beck - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: Aerosmith-Pink

Bryan Adams- Back To You Gary Barlow- Open Road Janet Jackson-Togethe Jan Kalousek-Bily Krai Meredith Brooks- I Need Pappa Bear- Cherish Queen- No One Robert Miles- Freedom Sheryl Crow-Tomorrow Never Dies Spice Girls-Too Sweetbox- Everything's Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor

EVROPA 2/Prague G

Milos Pokorny · Head Of Program oman Ondracek - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions Amanda Marshall- Dark Horses Whaml- Everything She Wants '97

FREKVENCE 1/Prague G Rene Hnilicka - Music Manager

Playlist Additions:
Lucie Bila- Ave Maria
Natalie Imbruglia- Torn

RADIO ALFA/Prague G

Dusan Kotora - Head Of Music Playlist Additio

list Additions:
Aerosmith- Pink
Bryan Adams- Back To You
Jan Kalousek- Bily Kraj
Natalie Imbruglia- Torn
Pappa Bear- Cherish
Sweetbox- Everything's

RADIO DRAGON/Karlovy Vary S Zdenek Pachovsky - Music Manager

Zdenek Pachovsky - Music Manager Playlist Additions: Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me Liss Stansfield- Don't Cry For Me Natalie Imbruglia- Toro Robbie Williams- Angels Various- Perfect Day RADIO FM PLUS/Pilsen S

Jan Hanongek - Head Of Music Playlist Unchanged

RADIO PROFIL/Pardubice S

Michal Holy - Head Of Music Power Play: Jan Kalousek- Bily Kraj

Playlist Additions: Genesis-Shipwrecked Natalie Imbruglia-Torn

RADIO RELAX/Kladno S CHR Milan Hanus • Head Of Program-

Playlist Unchanged RADIO TRIANGLAJablonec B

Peter Boehm - Head Of Music Petr Ansorge - Music Super Power Play: Awesome- Rumours C-Block- Eternal Grace

Gala-Come Into Janet Jackson Together Moby- James Bond Theme Robert Miles- Freedom

vlist Additions ist Additions: Hoodys- Self Control Kyau Feat. Albert- Let Me In Mr. President- Where Do I Belong?

Paris Red- Love Hurts

SLOVAKIA

FUN RADIO/Bratislava S

Playlist Unchanged

TOP RADIO/Kosice S

Oto Tache · Prog Dir

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Power Play:
Backstreet Boys- As Long As
Brand New Heavies 'You've C
Bryan Adams- Back To You
Eros Ramazzotti Quanto Amore Quant
Gary Barlow - Open Road
Hayson, J. Will Come Ta. You Hanson- I Will Come To You Jon Bon Jovi- Janie, Don't Take Lighthouse Family-Raincloud Oasis-Stand By Me

Oasis-Stand By Me
Rolling Stones- Anybody Seen
Savage Garden- To The Moon
list Additions:
Band Aid- Do They Know
Boyz II Men- A Song For Mama Chumbawamba - Amnesia Dara Rolins- Ja A Siin

I.M.T. Smile, Kome M-People- Fantasy Island Spice Giris-Too

HUNGARY

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Playlist Additions:

All Saints- I Know Where It's At All Saints - I Know Where It's.
Alphaville- Flame
Amokituk: Maghalok A Cookodert
Carpe Diem- Bonyolult Lamy
Chumhawamba- Annesia
Eternal- Angel Of Mine
Gary Barlow- Open Road
Happy Gang- Varj Meg Mohy-James Bond The Natalie Imbruglia- Torn yal Crown Revue Barflies At The Beach pos F. Tamas-Boogie-Woogie

RADIO DANUBIUS/Budapest P

do Bertok - Music Dir

Playlist Additions: Bell Book & Candle-Reso Lutricia McNeal- Ain't That Just Oasis-Stand By Me

RADIO BRIDGE/Budapest G

Orsolya Megyeri - Head Of Music

Playlist Additions: Sheryl Crow- Tomorrow Never Die Will Smith- Get Jiggy With It

TURKEY

RADIO NUMBER ONE FM/Istanbul

CHE
Emre Yinter - Prog Dir
Play list Additions:
Boy George: When Will You Learn
Red Biot R+B - Every Nation
Whaml- Everything She Wants '97
Will Smith- Get Jiggy With It

GREECE

KISS 909 FM/Athens G Michael Tsaoussopoulos - Prog Dir

Power Play: Gimmick- Why You Wanna Hurt Me?

Playlist Additions: Antiloop-Nowhere To Hide Five. Slam Dunk Da Funk

GREEK RADIO CORFU/Corfu B

Spyros Hytiris - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: Chumbawamba-Tubthumping

Moby- James Bond Theme Mont Caballe- March With Me Pulp- Help The Aged Republica- Ready To Go

Immo Mihkelson - Head Of Music Playlist Additions: All Saints- Never Ever

All Saints-Never Ever
Espen Lind-Whon Susannah Cries
Kylie Minogue- Did It Agam
Miller & Assvere- Meie Lugu
Spice Girls- Too
Various- Perfect Day

RADIO KUKU/Tallinn G

ESTONIA

RAADIO 2/Tallinn G

Rock/AC

Jaan Riikoja - Head Óf Music

Playlist Additions:
Corrs - I Never Loved You

Elton John- Recover Your Soul

Kylie Minogue- Did It Again Ocean Colour Scene- Better Day Woolpackers- Line Dance Party

LATVIA

RADIO SWH/Riga G

J. Sipkevics - Prog Dir Power Play:

Aigars Gravers- Svetku Akts Sheryl Crow- Blue Christmas

Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me Corrs- Only When I Slee Jimmy Nail- Countryboy

Eric Niedra - Prog Dir

Power Play: Bell Book & Candle Rescue Me

Bell Book & Candle Rescu Boyzone Baby Can I Hold Enys-Only If Natalie Imbruglia Torn Robert Miles Freedom Spice Girls Too

Playlist Additions: Corrs- I Never Loved You Moffatts- I'll Be There Seahorses You Can Talk To Mo Sting & Prast Rozanne (Puff Dadde De-

LUXEMBOURG

ELDORADIO/Luxembourg S

Luc Melsen - Head Of Music Playlist Addition

N Sync. Together
Bryan Adams- Back To You
First-H. Thousand Years
Gala- Come Into
Rammstein- Das Modell Robbie Williams- Angels Sting & Pras-Royanne (Puff Daddy Remix

LIECHTENSTEIN

RADIO L/Liechtenstein B CHR/AC

Dani Sigel · Program Director

Roland Blum · Head Of Music

Playlist Additions:

All Saints · Never Ever

China Blook · Emotion

China Black- Emotion

PROGRAMME SUPPLIERS

FM RADIO NETWORK/Germany G

Armin Weis - Prog Dir Power Play:

All Saints-Never Ever Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Alina- Nur Für Dich

Atma-Nur Fur Duch Awesome- Rumours Bootsy Collins- I'm Leavin' U-Dario G- Sunchyme Down Low- Johnny B Eternal- Angel Of Mine Five- Slam Dunk Da Funk Lighthouse Family-Raincloud Moby- James Bond Theme Nana- Too Much

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Pappa Bear-Cheriah
Robert Milies-Freedom
Salk-N-Pepa-R U Ready
Shola Ama-You're The One I Love
Spektac-colār-Meine Kleine
Spice Girls-Spice Up Your Life
Sweetbox-Everything's
Warne Coling of Person I have & Acq
Playlist Unchanged
VIVA TV/Cologne P Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor Tina Busch - Prog Dir A List:

REFORANGINA WORLD MUSIC

Chichi Peralta-Techno Son

Daude- Pata Pata Goldie/KRS-One- Digital Madredeus - Pregao Mocarabe Sad Hill- Si TEs Pas N'Dour/Wemba/Bayette- So Why

MUSIC TELEVISION

MTV EUROPE/London P Peter Good - Controller Music

> Björk- Bachelorette Jimmy Ray- Are You Natalie Imbruglia- Torn

UNIQUE



Eurochart radio show number 460

Each week, some 10 million European listeners tune in to listen to the two hour Eurochart singles countdown show, based on Music & Media's Eurochart Hot 100.

Supplied in a kit form (with records, script and sound bites) and syndicated by London-based company Unique Broadcasting, the Eurochart is a chart countdown, with behind the songs stories, artist interviews, gossip, tips, new entries, hits to happen and the album of the week.

Content of the Eurochart Hot 100 show this week (number 460):

>Interviews: Chicane, Propellerheads, Hanson, Gala Christmas hits past and present: John Lennon/Happy Xmas (War Is Over) (Apple); Chicken Shed/I'm In Love With The World (Columbia) > Album of the week: Hanson/Snowed In (Mercury)



Stations broadcasting the show include: FM 104 (Dublin); M1 Radio Station (Lithuania); Power FM (Istanbul); Radio Danubius (Budapest); Radio City (Prague).



Station interested in the show should contact Pascal Grierson or Olivier Semonnay at Unique Broadcasting. Tel: (+44) 0171 402 1011; Fax: (+44) 0171 723 6132.

Robbie Williams- Angels Sheryl Crow- Tomorrow Never Dies

Sheryl Crow-Tomorrow Never Da Videos Beck-Deadweight Five-Slam Dunk Da Funk Metallica-The Memory Remai Prodigy-Smack My Bitch Up

Hervé Lemaire - Prog Dir Cecile Estrade - Programmer

A List: Elton John, Something About The Elton John-Something About The Finley Quaye- Even After All Florent Pagny- Savoir Aimer Hanson- I Will Come To You I Am-Nés Sous Janet Jackson- Got Til It's J.Jacques Goldman- On Ira MC Solaar- Les Temps Changem Noir Désir- Comme Elle Vient Noir Desir- Comme Elle Vien Passi- Je Zappe Et Je Mate Refugee Camp- Avenues Rocca- La Renommée Texas- Black Eyed Boy Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor

Forest For The Trees- Dream Louise-Let's Go Round Neg Marrons- Ménage a 4-

VH-1/London P Mark Hagen - Head Of Programm

> Aqua- Barbie Girl Aqua-Barbie Girl
> Backstreet Boys- As Long As
> Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me
> Cappuccino- Du Fehlst Mir
> Dario G- Sunchyme
> Down Low- Johnny B Pappa Bear- Cherish Run DMC- It's Like Tha Spektacoolär- Meine Kleine Sweetbox- Everything's Warren G/Sissel- Pri

B List:
N Sync-Together
Asron Carter-Crary Little Party Girl
Alina-Nur Far Dich Awesome Rumours
Basis- Nur I Tag
Blümchen- Sesam Jam
Boyz- One Minute
Da Bool- Bora Bora
DJ Quicksilver- Planet Love
Gil- Round' N Round
Hanson I Will Come To You
Jay-Z'Babyface/Brown- Sunshine

La Bouche- You Won't Forget Me Lutricia McNeal-Ain't That Just Lutricia McNeal-Ain't That Jus Moffatts. Fill Be There Nana: He's Comin' R.O.O.S.- Instant Moments Richie- Lach Isch Odn Was Savage Garden- To The Moon Scooter. No Fate Spice Girls-Spice Up Your Life War. Along.

Wes-Alane Young Deenay- Walk On By C List:

De La Cruz-Tonight De La Crux-Tonight
DJ Sammy & Carisma-Golden Child
Dolphin's Mind- The Flow
Jimmy Ray-Are You
Jon Bon Jovi-Janie, Don't Take
Moby-James Bond Theme
Mr. President: Where Do I Belong? Pur-Wenn Du Da Bist Pur-Wenn Du Da Bist Refugee Camp-Avenues Robbie Williams-Angels Rolling Stones-Anybody Seen Sasbt-Stay Thomas D-Rückenwind Tic Tue Toe-Bitte Kian' U.B.F.- Bible In My Hand Verena-Finally Aione Will Smith-Just Cruiain'

N List: 666- Alarma Aqua- Doctor Jones C-Block- Eternal Gra Five, Slam Dunk Da Funk Five- Slam Dunk Da Funk Janet Jackson- Together Jonestown- Sweet L.A.P.D.- Fil Be There Missy Elliott- Sock It 2 Me Nalin & Kane- Talkin' About Novy vs. Eniac-Superstar Sabrina Setlur- Frei Sein

Groove Gangsters-Funky Beats Paralyzer- Bip Bip Bop Puff Daddy- Been Around Something F/T People-Shhhl

VIVA ZWEI TV/Cologne P Jorge Cebrian Lopez - Prog Dir Jorge Ceucan.

A List:

Bell Book & Candle-Rescue Me

Dario G- Sunchyme Rolling Stones- Anybody Seen Savage Garden- To The Moon Spice Girls-Spice Up Your Lafe Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor B List

Chumbewamba, Tubthumning Enya-Only If Eros Ramazzotti

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Refugee Camp- Avenues
Robbie Williams- Angels
Wes- Alane

it: Brand New Heavies- You've Got Chris Rea- The Blue Cafe Elton John Candle In The Wind Jimmy Ray- Are You Queen-No One Robert Miles, Freedom

Bandits- Puppet Björk- Bachelorett Blackstreet - Buy Me Love Blackstreet: Buy Me Love Brownstone: Kiss Celine Dion: My Heart Will Go On Chumbawamba- Amnesia Janet Jackson: Together Missy Elliott: Sock It 2 Me Natalie Imbruglia- Torn Spice Girls- Too Various: Perfect Day

New Videos 2Pac- I Wonder If Espen Lind-When Susannah Cries Genesis-Shipwrecked Puff Baddy, Reen Around Sabrina Setlur- Frei Sein Third Eye Blind- How It's Going To Be

Music Television Liz Laskowski - Dir of Prog Playlist Unchanged

THE MUSIC FACTORY Power Play: Puff Daddy/Family- It's All About

Aerosmith Pink Aqua- Doctor Jones Hanson- I Will Come To You R.O.O.S .- Instant Mom Spice Girls-Too
Usher- You Make Me Wanna
Warren G/Sissel- Prince Igor

Videos Bell Book & Candle- Rescue Me Close II You Baby Don't Go Goodfellaz- If You Walk Away Jay-Z/Babyface/Brown-Sunshi Nasty-Stapelgek Op Jou Natalie Imbruglia-Torn

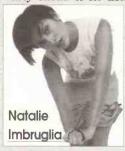


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M&M's weekly airplay analysis column

The initial reviews for Janet Jackson's The Velvet Rope may have been somewhat mixed, but as 1997 draws to a close, her detractors at radio are clearly few and far between, as the final European Radio Top 50 of the year sees her reunited with the No.1 slot.

Together Again (Virgin), the track which has performed the Rope trick for Jackson, is comfortably ahead of its nearest rival on the Top 50,



RCA's former soap star Natalie Imbruglia with Torn. The latter track has successfully and steadily built upon its initial U.K. breakthrough, this week conjuring up a swift climb in the G/S/A and Benelux countries, picking up the Most Added title on the way. The

highly photogenic Imbruglia has admirers among programmers across Europe; the only gap in her sweep across M&M's Major Market Airplay listings is in France.

This week, Florent Pagny's Savoir Aimer (Mercury) is France's most aired song on that country's MMA listing—the track has been on the chart for around three months, although in France, that's not too unusual. A look at some of the other tracks around on the French airplay Top 25 shows that no fewer than 13 of them have been on the chart for 10 weeks or more. The track with the greatest stamina of them all is IAM's Nés Sous La Même Etoile (Delabel), which has been there for no fewer than 16 weeks-it's currently at number 7.

A comparison with, say, the U.K.'s Major Market Airplay chart makes interesting reading. Reflecting the volatile nature of the British singles market, few of the titles listed in that territory can boast more than five weeks on the chart—the two exceptions to that rule being All Saints' surprisingly soulful Never Ever (London) and-naturally-the aforementioned Natalie, who's occupied the top slot for the last seven weeks, having seen off such strong contenders as The Spice Girls' Too Much (Virgin) and the BBC's Various Artists extravaganza, Perfect Day (Chrysalis).

That reworked Lou Reed track is still climbing the European Radio Top 50, however, rising from 27 to 13 this week—the highest gainer in terms of chart positions. Its radio success has helped Perfect Day become Reed's second most successful composition in terms of mass exposure, behind 1972's Walk On The Wild Side-indeed, both tracks originally appeared on the same album, the David Bowie/Mick Ronson-produced Transformer (RCA). Bowie's appearance on the remake provides a nice kind of symmetry to the song's career.

Elsewhere on the Top 50, Celine Dion provides the highest new entry with *The Reason* (Columbia), heading Oasis' latest spin-off from *Be* Yourself Tonight (Creation/Sony), All Around The World and Gala's latest, Come Into My Life (Do It Yourself), breaking out of Italy.

Just outside the Top 50 and looking to break in this week are a clutch of U.K. acts: Shola Ama (You're The One I Love, Freak Street/WEA); Texas (Put Your Arms Around Me/Mercury); Five (Slam Dunk Da Funk/RCA) and Moby (James Bond Theme/Mute). We'll undoubtedly hear more of them next year—see you in '98.

Tom Ferguson

week 52/97 European Radio Top 50

| TW | LW | WOC | Artist/Title | Original Label | Total Stations | New Adds |
|-----|------|----------|---|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| (1) | 2 | 5 | JANET JACKSON/TOGETHER AGAIN | (VIRGIN) | 122 | 20 |
| 2 | 5 | 5 | Natalie Imbruglia/Torn | (RCA) | 104 | 26 |
| 3 | 1 | 5 | Bryan Adams/Back To You | (A&M) | 110 | 14 |
| 4 | 3 | 12 | Backstreet Boys/As Long As You Love Me | (Jive) | 92 | 1 |
| 5 | 8 | 3 | Spice Girls/Too Much | (Virgin) | 80 | 17 |
| 6 | 7 | 6 | Sheryl Crow/Tomorrow Never Dies | (A&M) | 92 | 10 |
| 7 | 4 | 12 | Dario G/Sunchyme | (Eternal/WEA) | 79 | 1 |
| 8 | 6 | 7 | Hanson/I Will Come To You | (Mercury) | 91 | 4 |
| 9 | 11 | 7 | Warren G & Sissel/Prince Igor | (Mercury) | 66 | 5 |
| 10 | 13 | 4 | Robbie Williams/Angels | (Chrysalis) | 70 | 13 |
| 11 | 10 | 7 | Enya/Only If | (WEA) | 78 | 2 |
| 12 | 17 | 4 | Sweetbox/Everything's Gonna Be Alright | (RCA) | 59 | 13 |
| 13 | 27 | 3 | Various/Perfect Day | (Chrysalis) | 70 | 20 |
| 14 | 15 | 6 | Robert Miles/Freedom | (DBX/Deconstruction) | 71 | 5 |
| 15 | 9 | 14 | Lighthouse Family/Raincloud | (Wild Card/Polydor) | 58 | 4 |
| 16 | 18 | 10 | Jon Bon Jovi/Janie, Dont't Take Your Love To Town | | 61 | 2 |
| 17 | 16 | 6 | Mariah Carey/Butterfly | (Columbia) | 59 | 3 |
| 18) | 23 | 6 | Queen/No-One But You | (Parlophone) | 63 | 4 |
| 19 | 21 | 4 | M-People/Fantasy Island | (M People/BMG) | 63 | 9 |
| 20 | 24 | 11 | Sash!/Stay Broders | (Byte Blue) | 55 | 1 |
| 21 | 19 | 10 | Eternal/Angel Of Mine | (EMI) | 57 | 2 |
| 22 | 14 | 11 | | All Around The World) | 50 | 2 |
| 23 | 25 | 8 | Jimmy Ray/Are You Jimmy Ray? | (Sony S2) | 49 | 2 |
| 24 | 26 | 9 | Gary Barlow/Open Road | (RCA) | 57 | 5 |
| 25 | 28 | 7 | Celine Dion & Barbara Streisand/Tell Him | (Columbia) | 63 | 2 |
| 26 | 30 | 4 | Will Smith/Just Cruisin' | (Columbia) | 51 | 6 |
| 27 | 32 | 3 | The Verve/Lucky Man | (Hut) | 51 | 7 |
| 28 | 20 | 13 | Eros Ramazzotti/Quanto Amore Sei/Cuanto Amore Me Das | Breakers (DDD) | 48 | 1 |
| 29 | 29 | 15 | Rolling Stones/Anybody Seen My Baby | (Virgin) | 41 | 2 |
| 30 | 39 | 3 | Aerosmith/Pink | (Columbia) | 51 | 8 |
| 31 | 31 | 9 | Smash Mouth/Walkin' On The Sun | (Interscope) | 43 | 3 |
| 32 | 22 | 14 | Oasis/Stand By Me | (Creation/Sony) | 34 | 2 |
| 33 | 36 | 4 | Sting & Pras/Roxanne (Puff Daddy Remix) | (A&M) | 45 | 4 |
| 34 | 12 | 14 | Spice Girls/Spice Up Your Life | (Virgin) | 48 | 0 |
| 35 | 40 | 3 | All Saints/Never Ever | (London) | 49 | 7 |
| 36 | 43 | 10 | Corrs/Only When I Sleep | (Lava/Atlantic) | 35 | 2 |
| 37 | 35 | 20 | Chumbawamba/Tubthumping | (EMI) | 35 | 1 |
| 38 | 34 | 11 | Brand New Heavies/You've Got A Friend | (ffrr) | 39 | 2 |
| 39 | 37 | 2 | Radiohead/No Surprises | (Parlophone) | 36 | 4 |
| 40 | 49 | 3 | Boyzone/Baby Can I Hold You Tonight | (Polydor) | 42 | |
| | | | Aqua/Barbie Girl | (Universal) | | 4 |
| 41 | 33 | 15 | | | 34 | 0 |
| 42 | 44 | 5 | Genesis/Shipwrecked | (Virgin) | 48 | 3 |
| 43 | > A9 | NE | Celine Dion/The Reason Lutricia McNeal/Ain't That Just The Way | (Columbia) | 29 | 9 |
| 44 | 42 | 5 | • | - | 41 | 1 9 |
| 45 | 45 | 2 NE | Bell Book & Candle/Rescue Me | (Ariola) | 45 | 1 |
| 46 | > 20 | NE | Oasis/All Around The World | (Creation) (Puff Daddy) | 29 | 23 |
| 47 | 38 | 9 | Puff Daddy/Been Around The World | (Pun Daddy) (Do It Yourself) | 32 | 1 2 |
| 48 | 10 | NE 14 | Gala/Come Into My Life | | 27 | |
| 49 | 48 | 14 | The Verve/The Drugs Don't Work | (Hut/Virgin) | 29 | 1 |
| 50 | 47 | 8 | Michael Bolton/The Best Of Love | (Columbia) | 38 | 0 |

The European Radio Top 50 chart is based on a weighted-scoring syving airplay on all of M&M's reporting stations with contemporary music ful Stations are weighted by market size and by the number of hours per wee TTW = This Week, LW = Last Week, NE = New Entry, TS = Total Statily featured in the Border Breakers chart Highest new entry

Techno trip for Midem '98

present their artists in 30-minute showcases. The showcases will take place during regular trade fair hours in a separate venue with direct access from the Techno Club, which will be located on the third floor of the Palais Du Festivals.

Reed Midem project manager Olivier Aillery comments: "The Techno Club is a conveniently-located meeting place for everybody in the dance music business, regardless of whether they have a stand on the main trade floor, are participants in the Techno Club, or are just visiting."

Among the first exhibitors at the Club will be Yo!Mama (Germany), So Dens (Spain), F Com (France), Ninja (U.K.) and Labels/Virgin (France). Other techno-oriented labels

attending Midem '98 include Bonsai (Belgium), Omnisonus (France), Byte (Belgium), PIAS (Belgium), Digidance (Netherlands) and Carl Cox's Worldwide Ultimatum (U.K.).

A panel in the Midem conference programme will also be dedicated to electronic dance music. Warp Records (U.K.) MD Rob Mitchell, Omnisonus (France) MD Thierry Rueda and Motor Music (Germany) MD Tim Renner will discuss specific issues regarding the distribution and promotion of techno and other electronic forms of music across Europe.

Almost a third of the 31 concert events scheduled to take place at Midem '98 at presstime are technobased. The programme features live performances by techno acts such as Christopher Just (France), Bosco (France) and the Space Monkeys (U.K.), as well as DJ sets by Jeff Mills (U.S.), Paul van Dyk (Germany), Cur-

tis (France) and Carl Cox (U.K.).

Outside the techno sphere, Midem's concert programme is dominated by the rhythms of 'world music" acts from Cuba and Africa. The official opening party on January 17 will fall under the spell of Cuban rhythms from

musicians such as Celia Cruz and Willy Colon.

theme, Midem will honour Ahmet

Ertegun with its Man Of The Year award during a special dinner which takes place on January 19. Ertegun is the co-founder of Atlantic Records,

the U.S. label forever associated with classic R&B and soul.

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Ahmet Ertegun follows in the footsteps of his late brother Neshui, who was the first ever recipient of the award in 1989. Atlantic Records will celebrate 50th its

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anniversary next year with a show at Midem on January 20, featuring live performances by current Atlantic artists Sugar Ray, Jody Watley and

Staying with the rhythm-driven Chris Stills.

expatriate

New Spanish giant?

owns the financial daily Expansion.

Martinez denies the political element which SER claims is behind the plan: "This will not be a political operation," he insists. However, radio insiders point out that Spanish prime minister Jose Maria Aznar-a close personal friend of Telefonica chairman Juan Villalonga-has expressed a belief that Grupo Prisa's support for the socialists contributed to his Popular Party's losing the 1993 general election and to its smaller-than-expected majority in March 1996. This, in Aznar's eyes, has created the need for a large radio group to counterbalance the political influence of Prisa's SER/Union Radio.

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Juan Carlos Lopez Cid-Fuentes, deputy chairman of the blind people's association Once, owners of the Onda Cero Radio group, says the formation of a fourth major commercial radio group next year would be "disastrous."

"The advertising cake is not big enough for everybody, and a new group would only further distort the [radio] market," insists Cid-Fuentes.

Polanco warns that the battle for the new FM licences is likely to mirror Spain's recent "digital TV war" which pitched Grupo Prisa and the socialists on one side, and the government and sympathetic media companies such as Telefonica on the other.

No MDs for BMG U.K.

gy." He declines further comment; Preston was not available at the time of going to press.

Until the new general managers are hired, Jeremy Marsh, president of the BMG U.K. music division, is managing

all day-to-day Arista functions, while Preston is directing all RCA business.

"We are in the fortunate position of having terrific ros-

ters and teams of professionals at both of our labels," says Preston in his statement, "which has resulted in a spate of

recent single and album successes.'

During the transition to the new appointees, he my and I have delved into the businesses 110

percent, and are taking very active, hands-on roles to drive what we consider to be exceptionally strong holiday release schedules for both labels." When Heath was appointed in

April 1996, Marsh acknowledged that

Arista Records U.K. had "killed so many **CENTERTAINMENT** [executive] careers" R N A T I O N A L in the past. Its previous MDs included Roger Watson and Diana Graham.

Heath's ambitions for developing U.K. talent at Arista reflected his track record at Rhythm King. The latter company, which he co-founded in 1987, was successful in the ILK with such chart acts as S'Express, Bomb The Bass, Betty Boo and However, Echobelly. strength in the British market under Heath has largely rested on the output of the U.S. label under president Clive Davis.

Jeff Clark-Meads is international news editor of Billboard

anish chart bias claim

by Charles Ferro

COPENHAGEN - The official Danish charts favour major labels and artists. and are too heavily weighted towards music sold through supermarkets.

That's the view of Copenhagen indie Scandinavian Records, which has filed a complaint with the International Federation of the Phonographic Industry (IFPI) about Denmark's official top 20 singles and album charts, compiled by market research company AC Nielsen AIM in conjunction with public broadcaster Danmarks Radio, tabloid Ekstra Bladet and music magazine Mix.

Scandinavian's complaint spurred by the chart performance of It's My Life, an album by its dance act Sash! "It was ignored the first week after release, then it went to number 12 with sales of 2,000 units, but the next week it dropped to number 20, despite the fact that 8,000 units were soldfour times as many as the previous week," says MD Ejvin Schytte.

The weekly Top 20 singles and album charts are based on retail sales figures, compiled from data submitted by supermarket chain Fotex, consumer electronics chain Merlin, the TP music chain and 40 smaller record shops.

However, earlier this year leading music chain Fona withdrew from the chart. Following the demerger of its previous owners Thorn-EMI, the chain was sold a month ago to Swedish investment company Industri Kapital.

Says Schytte: "I would like to see the chart based more on real music stores. We can't live with all the compilation albums which are typically sold in supermarkets. Small companies like ours bring new music into Denmark [...] the current chart contains collections by James Last, Richard Clayderman, Abba, and Kenny Rogers."

Claes Cornelius, business affairs manager at Mega Records, adds: "Supermarket sales are not identical to the repertoire that sells in other music stores. People have been complaining for a long time. The chart would be better if all [retail] outlets contributed. We've learned to live with a chart that isn't perfect, and you take it as it comes, but the chart is certainly more friendly towards the majors and big-name acts.

"The chart gives a fair picture of the market, but it would of course be fairer if more retailers contributed," contends Niels Knudsen, director of chart compilers AC Nielsen AIM. "We show the [sales] performances of certain types of releases-albums sold above a certain price—as opposed to budget albums sold in petrol stations and the like."

IFPI Denmark's lawyer Niels Andersen says: "We are currently working.--and have been for some months-to improve the chart. The negotiations [with other retailers] will continue and we hope to be able to provide a broader picture.'



Universal Music (U.K.) has signed veteran Who (and Page & Plant) manager Bill Curbishley's U.K.-based label Estupendo Records to a longterm sales & distribution deal. The label's first release, Curve's Chinese Burn EP, debuted last week in the U.K. and U.S. markets. Pictured (1-r) are: Jorgen Larsen (president, Universal Music International); Bill Curbishley (managing director, Estupendo Records); Doug Morris (chairman/CEO, Universal Music Entertainment); Tim Bowen (senior VP, marketing and business affairs, Universal Music International); Robert Rosenberg (co-director, Estupendo Records); and Nick Phillips (MD, Universal Music U.K.).

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Border Breakers

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Mainland European records breaking out of their country of signing

| TV | W LW | WOC | Artist/Title | Original Label | Country Of Signing | TS |
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| (1 | 3 | 6 | WARREN G & SISSEL/PRINCE IGOR | (MERCURY) | GERMANY | 48 |
| 2 | 2 | 15 | Sash!/Stay | (Byte Blue) | BELGIUM | 49 |
| 3 | 4 | 8 | Robert Miles/Freedom (DB | X/Deconstruction) | ITALY | 62 |
| 4 | 1 | 15 | Eros Ramazzotti/Quanto Amore Sei/Cuanto Amore | Me Das (DDD) | ITALY | 46 |
| 5 | 7 | 5 | Sweetbox/Everything's Gonna Be Alright | (RCA) | GERMANY | 36 |
| 6 | 6 | 40 | Lutricia McNeal/Ain't That Just The Way | (Siljemark/CNR) | SWEDEN | 43 |
| 7 | 5 | 17 | Aqua/Barbie Girl | (Universal) | DENMARK | 35 |
| 8 | 8 | 5 | Gala/Come Into My Life | (Do It Yourself) | ITALY | 23 |
| 9 |) 17 | 3 | Aqua/Doctor Jones | (Universal) | DENMARK | 26 |
| 10 | 9 | 25 | Wes/Alane (Saint | George/Columbia) | FRANCE | 22 |
| 11 | 10 | 5 | Robyn/Show Me Love | (Ricochet/RCA) | SWEDEN | 12 |
| (12 | 14 | 2 | Bell Book & Candle/Rescue Me | (Ariola) | GERMANY | 26 |
| 18 | 19 | 3 | Eros Ramazzotti & Tina Turner/Cose Del | la Vita (DDD) | ITALY | 10 |
| 14 | 11 | 5 | Bootsy Collins/I'm Leavin' U | (WEA) | GERMANY | 18 |
| 18 | 18 | 4 | Espen Lind/When Susannah Cries | (Universal) | Norway | 15 |
| 16 | 16 | 7 | Andreas Dorau/Girls In Love | (Motor) | GERMANY | 17 |
| 17 | 13 | 10 | Da Hool/Meet Her At The Love Parade | (Kosmo/Ariola) | GERMANY | 7 |
| 18 | 12 | 7 | Lutricia McNeal/My Side Of Town | (Siljemark/CNR) | SWEDEN | 10 |
| | 15 | 4 | Gala/Let A Boy Cry | (Do It Yourself) | ITALY | 12 |
| 20 | 23 | 4 | Jean-Jacques Goldman/On Ira | (Columbia) | FRANCE | 12 |
| ag 21 | 22 | 4 | Era/Ameno | (Mercury) | FRANCE | 6 |
| y pepnic 22 | 20 | 24 | Robyn/Do You Know (What It Takes) | (Ricochet/Ariola) | SWEDEN | 5 |
| the original country is excluded from the calculations). | 25 | 2 | Michael Learns To Rock/I'm Gonna be Around | (EMI-Medley) | DENMARK | 10 |
| 24 2 4 | 21 | 25 | 2 Eivissa/Ooh La La La | (Club Tools) | GERMANY | 6 |
| 25 | > | RE | Nek/Laura Non C'E | (WEA) | ITALY | 4 |

TW = This Week, LW = Last Week, WOC = Weeks On Chart, TS = Total Stations, NE = New Entry, RE = Re-Entry. Titles registering a significant point gain are awarded a bullet.

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Off the record

Edited by Christian Lorenz

It looks like being an interesting year for music TV in Germany. The two main players, local

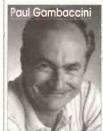
broadcaster VIVA and MTV, seem likely to move to opposite ends of the programming spectrum. MTV has just increased its music content and axed a number of shows and presenters (M&M, October 11), but VIVA is heading the other way. VIVA MD **Dieter Gorny** says he plans to turn the four-year-old station



into a "full-programme," youth oriented TV channel with more shows and less music. The programming of the broadcaster's ailing VIVA 2 channel—originally launched as the counterpart to MTV's VH-1 channel for music fans in their 20s and 30s—will be adapted to take over VIVA's role as a young, poppy video clip station. Earlier this year, however, Gorny told M&M (August 16) "niche TV is limited in its commercial scope [...] and cannot compete with full-service [TV] stations."

Arcade France MD Marco Visser has left the company—the Dutch owners of the independent production/distribution company are looking for a successor.

After two years, Paul Gambaccini, one of Classic FM's original presenters, is to return to



the U.K. national station's lineup. From January, "Gambo" will again present the broadcaster's Classic Countdown chart show, and the Countdown Top Ten on weekends. Current Countdown presenter Nick Bailey will move to a new weekday early morning slot.

Gambaccini's return to Classic FM is apparently part of the station's plans to freshen up its programming schedule.

As a direct consequence of the recent "strategic alliance" between French indie Musidisc and Universal Music, Musidisc international/A&R director Hervé Deplasse is tipped to be leaving the company to set up a Paris office for Belgian label Double T Music, which recently launched a joint venture with Sony Music Europe's SINE division.

OTR hears that local Danish radio authorities have called in Radio Mojns/Aabenraas' licence after the local CHR station ignored earlier warnings and continued to run ads for beer. On-air advertising for tobacco, alcohol and pharmaceuticals is forbidden, according to Danish broadcasting laws. Mojn can continue broadcasting until an appeal has been heard by the central broadcasting authority in the Ministry of Culture.

He's a little bit country and a little bit R&B? We're indebted to Billboard chart guru (and occasional M&M contributor) Fred Bronson this week for pointing out that Sting has pulled off what looks like an unique treble by appearing on the Hot Rap Singles and Hot Country Single & Tracks at the same time—as well as appearing on Billboard's Hot 100. His I'm So Happy I Can't Stop Crying (Mercury) with Toby Keith is at number 7 on the country chart, and on the R&B listing, Roxanne '97—Puff Daddy Remix (A&M) featuring The Police is a Top Debut track at number 20. The latter title also hits the Hot 100 this week at number 65...

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Major Market Airplay

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The most aired songs in Europe's leading radio markets

TW=This Week, LW=Last Week, WOC=Weeks On Chart, TS=Total Stations

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| 7 | 11 | | Sweethox/Everything's | (RCA) | 14 | 7 | 4 | 8 | Eternal/Angel Of Mine | (EMI) | | 7 | 1 | 7 | Backstreet Boys/As Long As | (Jive) | | | | | |
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| 12 | | | Boyzone/Baby Can I Hold | (Polydor) | | 12 | | NE | Propellerheads/Bassey/History Rep | eating (Wall Of Sound) | 6 | 12 | 3 | 6 | Midge Ure/Breathe | (Arista) | 8 | | | | |
| 13 | | | Sash!/Stay | (Byte Blue) | | | 11 | _ | Paul de Leeuw/K Heb Je Lief | (Brommerpech/Epic) | 6 | 13 | 12 | 2 | Sweetbox/Everything's | (RCA) | 7 | | | | |
| 14 | | | Lighthouse Family/Rainc oud | (Wild Card/Polydor) | | 14 | | 5 | Celine Dion/Tell Him | (Columbia) | 8 | 14 | | 9 | Shola Ama/You're The One I Love | (Freak Street/WEA) | 7 | | | | |
| 15 | | | Corrs/Only When I Sleep | (Lava/Atlantic) | 6 | | 13 | | Brand New Heavies/You've Got | (ffrr) | 7 | 15 | | 13 | Oasis/Stand By Me | (Creation/Sony) | 8 | | | | |
| 16 17 | | | Cue/Burnin' | (Pool Sounds) | 7 | | 18 | 2 | Gala/Come Into My Life | (Do It Yourself) | 8 | 16 | 17 | 2 | Spice Girls/Too Much | (Virgin) | 8 | | | | |
| 18 | | | Verve/Lucky Man | (Hut) | 8 | 17 | | 3 | Solid Harmonie/I'll Be There For | | 7 | 17 | | 6 | Michael Bolton/The Best Of Love | (Columbia) | 7 | | | | |
| 19 | | | Eros Ramazzotti/Quanto Amore/Cu | | 8 | 18 | | NE | Allure/All Cried Out | (Columbia) | 7 | 18 | | NE | Smash Mouth/Walking On The Sun | | | | | | |
| 20 | | | Dario G/Sunchyme Will Smith/Just Cruisin' | (Eternal/WEA) | | 19 | | NE | Will Smith/Just Cruisin' | (Columbia) | 8 | 19 | | | Mariah Carey/Butterfly | (Columbia) | 5 | | | | |
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| 3 | | RE | Sly & Robbie/Night Nurse | (East West) | 2 | 3 | 12 | 2 | Sheryl Crow/Tomorrow Never Dies | (A&M) | 15 | 3 | 11 | 4 | Csonka Andras/Alij Meg Kisiany | (Ariola) | | | | |
| 4 | | RE | Mariah Carey/Butterfly | (Columbia) | 2 | 4 | - 1 | 3 | Joe Cocker/Tonight | (Parlophone) | 16 | 4 | > | NE | Sipos F. Tamas/Boogie-Woogie | (EMI) | | | | |
| 5 | | NE | Celtas Cortos/20 De Abril | (DRO) | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 | Bryan Adams/Back To You | (A&M) | | 5 | > | NE | Happy Gang/Vari Meg | (EMI) | | | | |
| 6 | | NE | | M People/BMG) | 2 | 6 | 2 | 3 | Perfect/Niepokonani | (Polydor) | 13 | 6 | \triangleright | RE | Amy Grant/Take A Little Time | (A&M) | | | | |
| 7 | | RE | Spice Girls/Too Much | (Virgin) | 2 | 7 | 17 | 2 | Diana King/L-l-lies | (Work/Columbia) | 16 | 7 | > | RE | Jam & Spoon/Kaleidoscope Skies | (Dance Pool) | | | | |
| 8 | | NE | Natalie Imbruglia/Torn | (RCA) | 2 | 8 | > | NE | U2/If God Will Send His Angels | (Island) | 15 | 8 | \nearrow | \mathbf{RE} | Elton John/Candle In The Wind | (Rocket) | | | | |
| 9 | | RE | Celine Dion/The Reason | (Columbia) | 2 | 9 | 6 | 2 | Bell Book & Candle/Rescue Me | (Ariola) | 13 | 9 | \gg | NE | Carpe Diem/Bonyolult Lamy | (Magneoton) | | | | |
| 10 | | NE | Aerosmith/Pink | (Columbia) | 2 | 10 | \succ | NE | Verve/Lucky Man | (Hut) | 13 | 10 | \gg | NE | Gary Barlow/Open Road | (RCA) | | | | |
| 11 | | NE | Queen/No One But You | (Parlophone) | 2 | 11 | > | RE | Hanson/I Will Come To You | (Mercury) | 11 | 11 | > | NE | Amokfutok/Maghalok A Csokodert | (Magneoton) | | | | |
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| | 18 | 7 | Enya/Only If | (WEA) | 2 | 15 | \gg | NE | Chris Rea/The Blue Cafe | (East West) | 12 | 15 | > | NE | Natalie Imbruglia/Torn | (RCA) | | | | |
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| 17 | | NE | Sting & Pras/Roxanne (Puff Daddy Remix) | | 2 | 17 | > | RE | Radiohead/No Surprises | (Parlophone) | 11 | 17 | 17 | 4 | Lisa Stansfield/The Line | (BMG) | | | | |
| | | 3 | Rosana/En Navidad | (MCA) | 2 | 18 | 10 | 4 | Aerosmith/Pink | (Columbia) | 12 | 18 | \triangleright | NE | Chumbawamba/Amnesia | (EMI) | | | | |
| | | 2 | Pulp/Help The Aged | (Island) | 2 | 19 | 4 | 4 | Soyka/Nie Ma Drugiej Takiej | (Pomaton) | 13 | 19 | \gg | NE | Eternal/Angel Of Mine | (EMI) | | | | |
| 20 | >] | NE | Nek/Como Vivir Sin Ti | (WEA) | 2 | 20 | 11 | 5 | Genesis/Shipwrecked | (Virgin) | 12 | 20 | > | NE | Royal Crown Revue/Barflies At The Bea | ch (Warner) | | | | |
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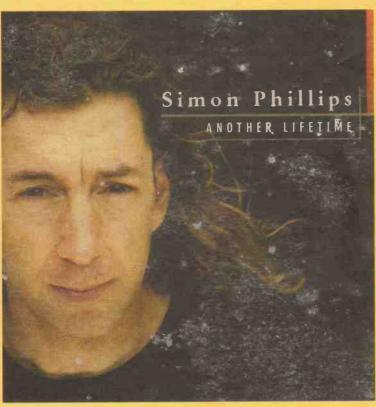
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