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KIT-287

MODIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS

for

CONVERSION OF STR-1A TO AM RECEPTION MODE

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- I. KIT-287 is applicable to STR-1A Strip Receiver. After conversion, the receiver becomes STR-2X1.
- II. The purpose of this modification is to change the receiver for optimum reception in the AM mode.
- III. Accomplishment of the modification can be determined by inspecting the IF circuit board. If the conversion has been completed, the IF board will be A4020.

IV. MATERIALS SUPPLIED:

ITEM NO.	QTY.	TMC PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	1	A4020	IF Circuit Board
2	1	NP360-8	KIT-287 Nameplate
3	3"	MWC 22(7)U93	Wire, Ins., WHITE/ORANGE
4	6"	WL100-7	Wire, Buss
5	6"	PX104-1-034	Insulation, BLACK
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V. DOCUMENTS SUPPLIED

QTY.	TMC NUMBER	TITLE
1	ск 1126	Schematic Diagram, STR-2X1
1	A4020	Printed Circuit Board Assembly, IF AMPL.
1	CA 901	Cable Drawing

VI. MODIFICATION PROCEDURE

A. Preliminary

- 1. Unsolder connections to IF board, A3189.
- 2. Remove 5 screws holding A3189 and remove the board. Replace with new board, A4020, Item 1, using same hardware.

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- B. Rewiring (Refer to cable drawing CA901)
 - 1. Jumper the following terminals on A4020 using Buss. wire, Item 4;
 #2, 6, 11, 13, and 15. Use BLACK insulation, Item 5, where buss
 wire passes over other terminals. Resolder ground leads from ground
 lug near Term.#5 to Terms. #2 and #5.
 - Solder center conductor of shielded, jacketed lead (Item
 of CA901) to Terminal #1 of A4020. (White conductor).
 - 3. Solder WHITE/BLUE wire (Item 22 of CA901) to Terminal #3 of A4020.
 - 4. Solder WHITE/RED wire (Item 23 of CA901) to Terminal #4 of A4020.
 - 5. Solder BLACK lead (Item 49 of CA901) to Terminal #5 of A4020.
 - 6. Solder WHITE/RED lead (Item 19 of CA901) to Terminal #7 of A4020.
 - 7. Solder WHITE/ORANGE lead (Item 6 of CA901) to Terminal #8 of A4020.
 - 8. Reconnect .01 disc ceramic capacitor (C1548) to Terminal #8 of A4020.
 - 9. Solder VIOLET lead (Item 11 of CA901) to Terminal #9 of A4020.
 - 10. Solder center conductor, WHITE/BROWN, of shielded jacketed lead (Item 5 of CA901) to Terminal #10 of A4020. Solder the braid of this lead to Terminal #11 of A4020.

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B. Rewiring

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- 11. Using WHITE/ORANGE wire (supplied as Item 3 of this Kit), jumper from Terminal #14 of A4020 to Terminal #8.
- 12. There is no connection to Terminal #12 of A4020. This may be used as a test point for IF signal.

C. Test

- 1. Instruments required:
 - a. Frequency Counter Hewlett-Packard HP524C, or equivalent.
 - b. Vacuum Tube Voltmeter Hewlett-Packard HP410, or equivalent.
 - c. A-c Vacuum Tube Voltmeter Ballantine Model 314, or equivalent.
 - d. R.F. Signal Generator Hewlett-Packard HP606A, or equivalent.
 - e. 4 ohm Loudspeaker
 - f. 600 ohm, 1 watt Resistor
 - g. Audio Generator H.P. Mod. 200 cd or equivalent.
- 2. Test Procedure:
 - a. IF Alignment Remove RF Module
 - (1) Set the RCVR sideband to LSB and turn R1554 and R1555 fully clockwise.
 - (2) Connect the counter to left side of R1804 and adjust C1832 for a frequency of 1.5 ±2 cps as registered on the counter. Leave counter connected.
 - (3) Set the RCVR sideband switch to USB
 - (4) Adjust C1834 for a frequency of 2.0 mc +2 cps as registered on the counter. Remove the counter.

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C. Test

1. Test Procedure:

a. IF Alignment -

- (5) Connect the HP VTVM between Terminal 9 on the RCVR IF printed circuit board and GND. The meter should read approximately +1.8 volts d-c. Remove meter.
- (6) Set the RCVR sideband switch to LSB and remove the 1.5 mc crystal Y1801.
- (7) Connect the Ballantine between the left side of C1806 and GND.
- (8) Connect the HP 606A RF generator between Terminals 1 & 2 on the RCVR IF board with the generator's output control at zero.
- (9) Set the generator at 1.75 mc ±50 cps using the frequency counter, and increase the generator output to approximately 1.0 mv.

 The Ballantine should indicate some voltage present at the base of Q1802. (left side of C1806).
- (10) Adjust C1804 and C1802 for a peak indication on the Ballantine Meter. Peak reading should be 10 mv minimum.
- (11) Reduce generator output to zero and remove meter.
- (12) Remove the signal generator input connections.
- (13) Re-insert the RF module.
- (14) Re-insert 1.5 mc crystal.

D. Receiver Testing - Overall

1. Set VOLUME control on front panel to the mid-position. Connect loudspeaker to Terminals 9 and 10 of TB1501, and 600 ohm resistor across Terminals 3 and 5.

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D. Receiver Testing - Overall

- 2. Set SQUELCH control maximum clockwise.
- 3. Connect the HP606A to the antenna jack, J1502, on the rear apron of the STR-2X. Set at zero output.
- 4. Connect the Ballantine VTVM between Terminals 3 and 5 on TB1501.
- 5. Set the signal generator for an output of 100 mv at the operating frequency noted on the receiver converter frequency nameplate (+50 cps), and modulate 30% at 1 KC.
- 6. Listen to a 1 KC note on the speaker. Reduce signal generator output until beat note just exceeds noise.
- 7. Adjust VOLUME control for a comfortable listening level, and obtain reading on the Ballantine VTVM.
- 8. Adjust receiver converter tuning capacitors A through E, in that order, for peak indication on the Ballantine. Signal generator output should be reduced to maintain signal level just above noise.
- 9. Adjust LSB ADJUST, R1554, for a peak reading and back off slightly. Set sideband selector to USB and adjust USB ADJUST, R1555, for a peak reading and back off slightly. Balance USB and LSB as close as possible.
- 10. Signal + Noise-to-Noise Ratio:
 - a. Set the signal generator for an output of 3 uv at the operating frequency ±50 cps noted on the receiver converter frequency nameplate, and modulate 30% at 1 KC.
 - b. Readjust R1822 to obtain .78V on the Ballantine.

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D. Receiver Testing - Overall

- 10. Signal + Noise-to-Noise Ratio:
 - c. Disconnect the signal generator from the STR-2X and observe the new reading. The difference in db is the Signal + Noise-to-Noise ratio, and should be a minimum of 10 db.

11. Dynamic Range:

a. In gradual steps, increase output of signal generator from 3 uv to 0.1 volt. The output on the Ballantine should not vary more than 10 db.

12. IF Response:

- a. Set the signal generator for an output of 3 uv at the operating frequency +50 cps noted on the receiver converter nameplate, (no modulation).
- b. Connect the scope to the top of R1808 and observe the amplitude of the signal.
- c. Set the signal generator to a lower frequency until the amplitude of the signal is approximately 1/3 from the amplitude observed in Step "b".
- d. Set the signal generator to external a-c modulation and modulate 30% at 1 KC, with Audio Generator.
- e. Read the output on the a-c Ballantine meter and use this reading as a 0 db reference point.
- f. Change audio generator frequency down to 300 cps and up to 3 KC. The change in audio output as measured on the Ballantine should not be more than 4 db.

VIII. FINAL

Install KIT-287 nameplate on front panel between power light and LSB/USB switch.

This completes conversion of the STR-1 to STR-2X1.

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