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For decades before 50 MHz became a common band in IARU Region 1, 28,885 MHz was used as a contact frequency for cross band contacts between 50 and 28 MHz. The frequency was chosen well away from the centre of activity around 28,500 MHz.

A similar 50 MHz frequency for establishing cross band contacts with 28 MHz was also established on 50,185 MHz. At a later stage before access to 70 MHz was as widespread as it is today the 50,185 MHz frequency was also used for cross band contacts with this band. A corresponding cross band frequency was also established on 70,185 MHz.

As access to 50 MHz is now common, the 28,885 MHz frequency is at present rarely used.

The demand for a cross band frequency on 50 MHz is still valid though - due to the cross band possibilities involving 70 MHz.

However, having the cross band frequency within the heavily trafficked area between 50,110 – 50,200 MHz makes it hard to use for that purpose during good openings (when it is most needed) as the general users do not respect it. It would make sense to move the cross band centre of activity to a less trafficked part of the band where hardly any traffic is conducted even during good openings.

We therefore propose to move the 50 MHz cross band centre of activity to 50,385 MHz where contacts with similar cross band centres of activity can be conducted without interference for most of the time - even during good band openings.