

L. F. CONVERTER

TYPE RA. 137B

Operating and Maintenance Manual

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

(When used in conjunction with an RA. 17 receiver).

Frequency range:

10 to 980 kc/s.

Stability:

After warm-up time of $l\frac{1}{2}$ hours, overall drift less than 50 c/s under conditions of constant supply voltage and ambient temperature.

Input impedance:

75 Ω unbalanced.

Tuning - RA. 137:

6 ranges, displayed over 6 in.

10-20 kc/s 20-40 kc/s 40-210 kc/s 210-500 kc/s 500-980 kc/s

Calibration accuracy better than 1%.

Tuning - RA. 17:

Effective scale length of approximately 145 feet, i.e. about 6 inches of scale length corresponds to 100 kc/s.

Sensitivity:

Al reception, bandwidth 3 kc/s; lµV for 15dB signal-to-noise ratio. A2 reception, 30% modulated, bandwidth 3 kc/s; 3µV for 15dB signal-to-noise ratio.

Image Response:

With tuned input, external image signals are reduced by at least 100dB.

Power supply:

100-125 and 200-250 volts, 45-65 c/s. Power consumption 11W approximately. H. T supply from RA. 17 receiver.

Dimensions:

For rack mounting:

Height	Width	${ t Depth}$		
$3\frac{\overline{1}}{2}$	19	13	in.	
9	48.25	33	cm.	

Cabinet containing RA. 17 and RA. 137.

Height	${\tt Width}$	${f Depth}$	
16	$20\frac{1}{2}$	22	in.
40.6	52	55.6	cm.

Rack mounted 13 lb. (6 kg.).

In cabinet with RA.17, 110 lb. (50 kg.).

Weight:

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CHAPTER I

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Introduction

- The L. F. Converter Type RA. 137 is designed primarily to extend the low frequency limit of the RACAL RA. 17 Communications Receiver from 980 kc/s to 10 kc/s. The addition of the converter to the RA. 17 receiver in no way impairs its performance.
- 2. The equipment, which is basically a frequency converter for raising the frequency of incoming signals by 2 Mc/s, derives h.t. supplies from the RA. 17 receiver and heater supplies from a built-in mains transformer.
- 3. The RA. 137 is assembled on a 19 in. panel for rack mounting. It can be supplied complete with the RA. 17 receiver in a bench mounting cabinet.
- 4. An alternative version, Type RA. 137B employs North American valves and aerial connectors. The differences between this version and the converter RA. 137 are described in this handbook

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INSTALLATION

1. After carefully unpacking the equipment, ensure that all valves and screening cans are firmly in place and that no packing materials remain.

Supply

2. Check that the l.t. transformer taps are set to the correct supply voltage.

Connect a mains lead (not provided) to the 3-pin plug already installed in the mains input socket. On North American versions of the RA 137 a mains lead is already fitted to the equipment which can be connected directly to the available supply

Fuse

3. Ensure that the rating of the supply fuse (FS1) is correct, viz. 250mA.

Aerial

4. Connect a suitable aerial to the AERIAL input plug on the rear of the unit. The input impedance of the converter at the coaxial aerial plug is designed to match a 75Ω unbalanced transmission line.

Connections to RA. 17

- 5. The following connections between the RA. 137 and the RA. 17 (fig. 1) should be made with the connectors supplied:-
 - (a) Coaxial connectors

(b) 3-way connector

RA. 137	RA. 17	RA. 137	RA. 17
R. F. OUTPUT	R. F.	HT 1	HT 1
1 MC/S INPUT	1 MC/S	HT2	HT2
		AVC	AVC

6. The two coaxial connectors are of different length and the correct one to use will be obvious. The 3-way connector consists of two red wires and a white wire coded at either end with coloured sleeves to aid identification. The white wire should be used for the AVC connection.

Installation of RA. 17

7. The RA. 17 receiver should be installed and connected in accordance with the instructions in the RA. 17 handbook.

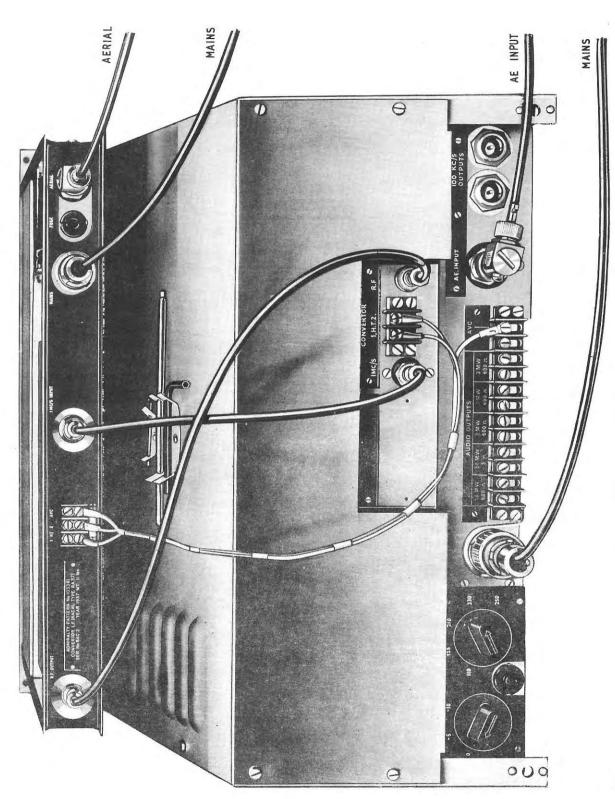


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OPERATION

1. The instructions should be used in conjunction with those for the RA.17 Receiver, all controls of which remain operative, when operating between 10 kc/s and 980 kc/s, with the exception of MEGACYCLES, AE. TUNE (ANT TUNE), AE. RANGE MC/S (ANT RANGE MC/S) and AE. ATTENUATOR (ANT ATTENUATOR). Control designations shown in brackets apply to North American versions of the RA.17 receiver and RA.137 converter.

Switching on

- 2. (1) Set the RA.17 MAINS (POWER) switch to "on" ("down" for British).
 - (2) Set the RA. 137 MAINS (POWER) switch to "on" ("up" for North American).

Tuning - 10 to 980 kc/s

- 3. (1) Set RA.137 OPERATION switch to 10 KC/S-980 KC/S. Set RA.137 AE. RANGE (ANT RANGE) to WIDEBAND or to the desired frequency band. The tuned aerial input circuits are intended for use where strong adjacent channel interference is present.
 - (2) Set the RA.137 AE. ATTENUATOR (ANT ATTENUATOR) to MIN.
 - (3) Adjust the calibration of the RA.17 Receiver in accordance with the instructions in the RA.17 handbook.
 - (4) Set the RA.17 System switch to MAN.
 - (5) Rotate the KILOCYCLES control to the desired setting on the red scale.
 - (6) If the AE. RANGE (ANT RANGE) switch is not set to WIDEBAND, adjust the AE. TUNE (ANT TUNE) control on the RA.137 for maximum signal (or noise).
 - (7) Set the RA.17 System switch to A.V.C. if required.
- 4. All remaining adjustments on the RA.17 Receiver are carried out in accordance with the RA.17 handbook.

Tuning - 980 kc/s to 30 Mc/s

- 5. (1) Set RA. 137 OPERATION switch to 980 KC/S-30 MC/S.
- 6. Operate the RA. 17 Receiver in accordance with the RA. 17 handbook.

Aerial Tuning

7. If maximum sensitivity is not required, the aerial need not be tuned except when strong unwanted signals are present. The presence of very strong signals, anywhere within the spectrum, may cause cross-modulation unless the aerial is tuned. Under these conditions, CARE MUST BE TAKEN TO AVOID TUNING THE INPUT TO THE INTERFERING SIGNALS instead of the signal required.

Aerial Attenuator

8. The AE. ATTENUATOR (ANT ATTENUATOR) control enables the operator to reduce the level of all incoming signals when very strong unwanted signals are present which cannot be rejected sufficiently by tuning the aerial. It should also be employed if the required signal is causing overloading in the early stages of the receiver.

Aerial Filter

9. The aerial filter, which is in circuit on ranges 10 to 500 kc/s or wideband with filter, attenuates by an average of 40dB signals at frequencies greater than 500 kc/s. This is to reduce interference from powerful signals usually over 500 kc/s. Rejection frequencies of the filter are at 560 and 680 kc/s but should extra rejection be required at frequencies near to these, say ±5%, the appropriate cores should be re-adjusted to reject the undesired frequency. L2/C4 and L4/C6 reject 680 kc/s and L3/C5 reject 560 kc/s.

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BRIEF TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

1. This Chapter describes, with the aid of the block diagram (fig. 5), the basic operation. For a more detailed explanation of the converter, Chapter 5 (DETAILED CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION) should be read.

R.F. Amplifier and Filter

2. Input signals from the aerial are applied via the aerial attenuator to the R.F. Amplifier. Wideband (with or without filter) or tuned (10 to 980 kc/s) amplification can be selected according to reception conditions. The output is passed through a 1 Mc/s low-pass filter to eliminate image signals.

Harmonic Generator and Filter

3. Output from the 1 Mc/s crystal oscillator of the RA.17 receiver is fed to the harmonic generator. The band-pass filter in the output circuit selects the 2 Mc/s second harmonic.

Mixer

4. The output from the 1 Mc/s low-pass filter is mixed in M5 with the output from the 2 Mc/s band-pass filter. The selected output from the mixer is the sum frequency in the band 2.010 to 2.98 Mc/s.

Cathode-Follower

5. The output from the mixer is applied to a cathode-follower, the low-impedance output of which is applied to the input of the second I.F. amplifier (2-3 Mc/s) stage of the RA.17 receiver at low impedances. The required signal is finally selected in the interpolation stage of the RA.17 receiver by tuning the KILOCYCLES scale.

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DETAILED CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

Reference should be made to the circuit diagram (fig. 6) at the end of the handbook.

Aerial Circuit

1. A signal source, normally of 75 ohms impedance, is connected to the AERIAL socket SK1 and fed via the five position AE. ATTENUATOR switch (S1), covering an attenuation range of 0 to 40dB, to the 500 kc/s low-pass filter. The AE. RANGE switch (S2) selects wideband amplification, with or without filter, or any one of the six tuned aerial sections. The 500 kc/s filter is selected by the AE. RANGE switch for five of the six tuned bands, it is inoperative on the highest band (500-980 kc/s). The aerial coils are trimmed by C7 and C24 for the range 10-20 kc/s, C8 and C19 for the range 20-40 kc/s, C9 and C20 for the range 40-90 kc/s, C10 and C21 for the range 90-210 kc/s, C11 and C22 for the range 210-500 kc/s and C12 and C23 for the range 500-980 kc/s.

R.F. Amplifier

2. In the WIDEBAND position, the signal from the aerial attenuator is fed via capacitor C26 and grid stopper R14 to the control grid of the r.f. amplifier (V1). This grid is returned to the a.v.c. line via R13 and R12. When tuned input is employed, one end of the selected tuned circuit is connected to the control grid and the other is returned to the earth line. There are two stages of filtering in the a.v.c. line, they are C28, R12 and C27, R123; R123 is situated in the RA. 17 receiver. The anode load resistor R17 matches the output impedance of the amplifier to the characteristic impedance of the filter. R18 allows the screen potential of V1 to rise when a.v.c. is applied, thereby controlling the effective a.v.c. action.

1 Mc/s Low-Pass Filter

3. The amplified signal is fed to a low-pass filter consisting of three constant-K sections preceded and terminated by m-derived end-sections. Cut-off takes place at 980 kc/s. The output from the filter is fed via the coupling capacitor C47 to the filter terminating resistor R24.

Harmonic Generator and 2 Mc/s Band-Pass Filter

4. The 1 Mc/s crystal-controlled output from the RA. 17 receiver is fed via capacitor C33 and grid stopper R22 to the control grid of the harmonic generator (V2). R21, decoupled by C33, provides bias for this valve which operates in a non-linear

condition. The anode load consists of a tuned circuit (L29, C42) which is the first stage of a 2 Mc/s band-pass filter. The second tuned circuit of the filter is formed by L30, L31 and C46 coupled by L31 to the third tuned circuit L31, L33, C48 and C50. Inductive coupling is provided to the balanced output winding L34. This filter has a passband of 50 kc/s, ensuring that only the 2 Mc/s harmonic is fed to the mixer.

Balanced Mixer

The signal across the terminating resistor R24 is fed via the grid stopper R25 5. (omitted in North American versions) to the control grid of V3. form a balanced mixer in which the incoming signal is mixed with the output of the 2 Mc/s band-pass filter to produce an output lying between 2 and 3 Mc/s. voltage is applied to grid 3 of V3 and V4 in anti-phase. R27 and R29 provide a The 2 Mc/s component correctly balanced load for the harmonic generator output. produced in the mixer balances out in the common anode load of V3 and V4. anode load consists of L32 and R31. L32 (adjustable by iron dust core) is tuned by stray capacitance to 2.7 Mc/s and is heavily damped by R31 to produce wideband tuning covering the frequency range 2-3 Mc/s. The potentiometer RV1 equalizes the gains of V3 and V4, and the differential capacitor C52 equalizes the phase-shifts in these The h.t. supply for the valves two valves to enable a precise balance to be achieved. The 2-3 Mc/s output from the mixer is fed via C57 and the grid is stabilized by V5. stopper R36 to the control grid of the cathode-follower.

Cathode-Follower

6. The cathode-follower stage (V6) enables the signal to be fed to the low-impedance tapping in the 2-3 Mc/s band-pass filter in the RA.17 receiver. The cathode load is formed by L36 and the input impedance of the band-pass filter. Resistor R38 is included to bias the valve to the correct operating conditions.

Power Supplies

- 7. The h.t. supply is obtained from the RA. 17 receiver by setting the OPERATION switch to 10-980 kc/s. When the switch is in this position, h.t. is disconnected from the first V. F. O. unit and the 2nd mixer in the receiver and is applied to the converter.
- 8. The heater supply is obtained from a mains transformer contained within the 1.f. converter.
- 9. The mains input switch is interlocked with the h.t. circuit to prevent h.t. being fed to the converter when heater voltage is not applied to the valves.

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IMPORTANT NOTE

The RA.137 converter is designed for use with the Racal RA.17 Communications Receiver. The ensuing Chapters assume that this converter is connected to a receiver which is operating to the correct specification.

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR M

TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR MAINTENANCE

- 1. The following items of test gear are required to carry out the maintenance described in this part of the handbook:-
 - (a) Valve voltmeter reading up to 5.0 volts at frequencies up to 3.0 Mc/s.
 - (b) Signal Generator capable of operating on fundamental frequencies up to 3.0 Mc/s, output impedance 75 ohms.
 - (c) Multi-range meter measuring a.c. and d.c. up to 500 volts with resistance of 20 000 ohms per volt.
 - (d) Voltage changing auto-transformer, preferably of the continuously variable type, operating up to 250 volts and supply 120 watts.
 - (e) Coupling aids: viz. 0.1µF capacitor, 330 ohm resistor, 75 ohms matching pad for the Signal Generator.

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VALVE DATA

Introduction

- 1. Details of valves used in the RA.137 are given in Tables 1 and 2 below and those for the RA.137B in Tables 3 and 4 overleaf. Voltages were obtained from a B7G stand-off valve base using a 20000 ohms/per volt meter on the optimum range in each case. Valve pin numbers are indicated in brackets in Tables 2 and 4.
- 2. The I.F. GAIN control on the receiver was set at MAX and RVl in the l.f. converter set to its mid position.

TABLE 1

VALVE CONNECTIONS (British)

Pin No.	CV138 EF91	CV154 EF93	CV1832 150C2	CV2209 6F33
1	Grid 1	Grid l	Anode	Grid 1
2	Cathode	Grid 3	Cathode	Cathode
3	Heater	Heater		Heater
4	Heater	Heater		Heater
5	Anode	Anode	Anode	Anode
6	Grid 3	Grid 2		Grid 3
			÷	Diode
7	Grid 2	Cathode	Cathode	Grid 2
Base	B7G	B7G	B7G	B7G

TABLE 2

VALVE COMPLEMENT AND TYPICAL VOLTAGES (British)

Cct.		_		~	G 11 - 1-
Ref.	CV No.	Equivalent	Anode	Screen	Cathode
V1	C V4 54	EF93	155(5)	95(6)	0.85(7)
V2	CV138	EF91	205(5)	100(7)	-
V3	C V2209	6F33	150(5)	150(7)	2.0(2)
V4	C V2209	6F33	150(5)	150(7)	2.0(2)
V5	CV1832	150C2	150(1)		-
V6	CV138	EF91	205(5)	195(7)	1.25(2)

TABLE 3

VALVE CONNECTIONS (American)

Pin No.	6BA6	6AU6	6AS6	OA2
1	Grid 1	Grid 1	Grid l Cathode	Anode Cathode
2	Grid 3 Heater	Grid 3 Heater	Heater	I.C.
4	Heater	Heater	Heater	-
- 5	Anode	Anode	Anode	Anode
6	Grid 2	Grid 2	Grid 2	I.C.
7	Cathode	Cathode	Grid 3	<u>.</u> .
Base	B7G	B7G	B7G	B7G

TABLE 4

VALVE COMPLEMENT AND TYPICAL VOLTAGES (American)

Cct. Ref.	Anode	Screen	Cathode	American Type	Equivalent
V1	150(5)	85(6)	0.8(7)	6BA6	EF93
V2	190(5)	55(6)	-	6AU6	EF94
V3	150(5)	100(6)	1.5(2)	6AS6	-
V4	150(5)	100(6)	1.5(2)	6AS6	-
V5	150(1)	_	_	OA2	-
V6	180(5)	135(6)	0.8(7)	6AU6	EF94

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TYPICAL PERFORMANCE

Stability

1. After a warm-up time of $l\frac{1}{2}$ hours, overall drift is less than 50 c/s under conditions of constant supply voltage and ambient temperature.

Sensitivity

Al emission, bandwidth 3 kc/s;
 1μV for 15dB signal-to-noise ratio.
 A2 emission, 30% modulation, bandwidth 3 kc/s;
 3μV for 15dB signal-to-noise ratio.

Selectivity

3.	Position	1	100 c/s	Less than 1.5 kc/s
-	11	2	300 c/s	Less than 2 kc/s
	11	3	1.2 kc/s	8 kc/s
	11	4	3 kc/s	15 kc/s
	11	5	6.5 kc/s	20 kc/s
	11	6	13 kc/s	28 kc/s

4. The centre frequency on the crystal bandwidths does not change by more than 50 c/s when the bandwidth is changed.

Cross Modulation

5. Using the aerial attenuator with a tuned input, an i.f. bandwidth of 3 Kc/s and a wanted signal amplitude of 1mV then an unwanted signal, differing by 10 kc/s and modulated 30%, must have a level of at least 40dB greater than the wanted signal in order to produce a cross modulation output equivalent to 1% modulation of the wanted signal.

Image and Spurious Responses

6. Rejection is greater than 60dB with a tuned input. Internally generated spurious responses are not greater than 1dB above noise.

Automatic Volume Control

7.	n increase in signal level of 70dB results in an increased audio output of le	SS
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FAULT LOCATION

Signal Input Circuits

1. If the R.F. stage is functioning correctly, a rise of noise will occur when the input circuit is tuned through the frequency to which the kilocycle scale is set. Should this not occur, check the aerial input and the attenuator circuits.

R. F. Stage

2. Should no signal be received, switch on the b.f.o. and set the RED KILOCYCLES scale to zero. A strong 2 Mc/s carrier from the harmonic generator should be heard. If this signal is received, adjust the balanced mixer in accordance with paras. 12. to 18., Chapter 6. If the mixer can be balanced, the fault is in the R.F. stage or the 1 Mc/s low-pass filter.

Mixer Stage

- 3. If the 2 Mc/s signal is not received, carry out the following check:-
- 4. Ensure that the stabilizer V5 has ignited. Check with the valve voltmeter that at least 2 volts of 1 Mc/s drive is present at PL2. Remove V3, V4 and V5 and check that 0.5 volts at 2 Mc/s appears at pin 6 of the valve holders of both V3 and V4.
- 5. Should this drive be present the fault lies in the balanced mixer, the cathode-follower, or the connection between the R.F. OUTPUT socket and the 2-3 Mc/s band-pass filter in the RA. 17 receiver.

Voltage Stabilizer

6. Should V5 fail to function then the balance will drift rapidly.

REPRESENTATIVE TEST DATA

CHAPTER 5

REPRESENTATIVE TEST DATA

Signal Input To	Frequency	Input	Output	Remarks
(a)Grid V6 (1)	2.0 Mc/s	220µV	100μA R.F. level	3 kc/s bandwidth system switch to MAN:
	2.5 Mc/s	225µV	100μA R.F. level	I.F. GAIN MAX; B.F.O. OFF:
	3.0 Mc/s	250μV	100μA R.F. level	1 Mc/s input to PL2 disconnected.
(b)Drive to PL2	1.0 Mc/s	20. V	0.5V at V3 (6) 0.5V at V4 (6)	System switch to MAN; use valve voltmeter.
(c)Grid V3 (1)	10 kc/s	200μV	100µA R.F. level	3 kc/s bandwidth; system switch to MAN;
	500 kc/s	150μV	100μA R.F. level	I.F. GAIN MAX; B.F.O. OFF;
	980 kc/s	200μV	100µA R.F. level	1 Mc/s input to PL2.
(d)Aerial socket PL1	10 kc/s	20μV	100μΑ R. F. level	3 kc/s bandwidth system switch to MAN;
	500 kc/s	15μV	100μΑ R.F. level	I.F. GAIN MAX; B.F.O. OFF;
	980 kc/s	20μV	100μA R. F. level	1 Mc/s input to PL2: RA. 137 AE, RANGE (ANT RANGE) to WIDE- BAND; RA. 137 AE, ATTENUATOR (ANT ATTENUATOR) to MIN.

Note ...

The numerals in brackets indicate the valve pin number.

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ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

Standardization of RA. 17 Sensitivity

- 1. Connect the signal generator (matched to 75-ohms) via a 0. lµF capacitor to the R. F. socket of the RA. 17 receiver. Set the I. F. GAIN to maximum, the BANDWIDTH to 3 kc/s, the meter switch to R. F. LEVEL and the System switch to MAN.
- 2. Record the c.w. input required to produce 100μA of diode current in the R.F. LEVEL meter at 2.0 Mc/s, 2.5 Mc/s and 3.0 Mc/s (i.e. with the RED scale set to 0 kc/s, 500 kc/s and 1,000 kc/s respectively).
- 3. Connect the RA.137 converter correctly to the RA.17 receiver, but do not connect an aerial.

Note: The above results should be used as standards during subsequent measurements described below.

Harmonic Generator

- 4. Ensure that the dust covers are fitted to the harmonic generator. Set C52 to the mid-position. Connect the valve voltmeter between gird 3 of V3 (pin 6) and earth.
- 5. Adjust L29, L30 and C50 (fig. 2) in turn to obtain maximum output. With the correct adjustment this output should not be less than 0.5V.
- 6. Remove the valve voltmeter from V3 and connect it to grid 3 of V4 (pin 6).

Balanced Mixer Anode Circuit

- 7. Disconnect the coaxial lead between the R.F. OUTPUT socket of the RA. 137 and the R.F. socket of the RA. 17.
- 8. Connect the valve voltmeter in parallel with a 330-ohm resistor across the R.F. OUTPUT socket of the RA.137. Connect the signal generator (set to C.W.) via a 0.1µF capacitor to grid 7 of V3 (pin 1). Set the valve voltmeter to the 1.5V range.
- 9. Observe that the frequency response is sensibly level as the signal generator frequency is swept over the range of 2-3 Mc/s. Adjust L32 to obtain maximum output at 2.7 Mc/s.

- 10. Disconnect the valve voltmeter and replace the coaxial lead between the R.F. OUTPUT socket of the RA. 137 and the R.F. socket of the RA. 17.
- 11. With correct alignment, the input required to produce 100µA of diode current should be approximately those stated in the table below:-

Sig. Gen. Frequency	RED Scale Setting	le Max. input relative that obtained in par	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		RA. 137	RA. 137B
2.0 Mc/s 2.5 Mc/s 3.0 Mc/s	0 kc/s 500 kc/s 1000 kc/s	-6dB -10dB -10dB	-8dB -12dB -12dB

Balanced Mixer adjustment and Drift Measurements

- 12. Set the RED KILOCYCLES scale on the RA. 17 receiver to zero, the I.F.
 GAIN control to MIN and the meter switch to R.F. LEVEL. Connect the
 mains supply to the RA. 17 and RA. 137 via a voltage changing auto-transformer
 and set the transformer to supply the voltage to which the tappings of the receiver
 and converter transformers are set.
- 13. With no signal input, adjust RV1 and C52 (fig. 3) alternately to obtain minimum diode current, increasing the setting of the I. F. GAIN control as necessary.
- 14. Reduce the input voltage by 10% and allow sufficient time for the heater temperature to stabilize. Adjust the I. F. GAIN to provide a suitable reference reading on the R. F. LEVEL meter. Disconnect the coaxial lead from the R. F. OUTPUT socket on the RA. 137 and connect the lead via a 0. lμF capacitor to the signal generator. Tune the signal generator to 2 Mc/s (C. W.).
- 15. The output required to produce the reference R.F. LEVEL current should not exceed 50mV.
- 16. Repeat with the mains input voltage set to 10% above the nominal supply voltage.
- 17. The output required from the signal generator should not exceed 50mV as above.
- 18. Replace the coaxial lead on the R.F. OUTPUT socket.

1 Mc/s Low-Pass Filter

19. Set the I.F. GAIN to MAX., the System switch to STANDBY and connect the 1 MC/S output plug (RA. 17) to the 1 MC/S OUTPUT plug (RA. 137). Connect

the signal generator (75-ohms output impedance) to the RA. 137 AERIAL plug (ANTENNA socket) and set the AE. ATTENUATOR (ANT ATTENUATOR) to MIN. Set the RA. 137 AE. RANGE switch (ANT RANGE) to WIDEBAND without filter. Remove V3 and connect a valve voltmeter to grid 1 (pin 1) of the valveholder. Remove V4 and V5.

- 20. Set the System switch to MAN. Adjust the frequency of the signal generator to precisely 1030 kc/s (C.W.). Tune the RA. 17 receiver and adjust the signal generator output until the valve voltmeter reads 2V approximately.
- 21. Increasing the signal generator output as necessary to a limit of 800mV, adjust L26 to obtain minimum indication on the valve voltmeter.
- 22. Repeat the above procedure with the signal generator frequency set precisely to 1080 kc/s, adjust L22 to obtain minimum output.
- 23. Set the signal generator to 500 kc/s with an output of 100mV. Ensure that the valve voltmeter reading is not less than 0.8V.
- 24. Explore the passband from 10 kc/s to 980 kc/s. The response obtained should be within the limits of +1dB and -3dB relative to the level at 500 kc/s. Adjust L23, L24 and L25 as necessary to correct the response in the region of 900-980 kc/s.
- With an input level of 800mV, ensure that no indication is obtained, on the 1.5V range of the valve voltmeter, above 1020 kc/s.
- 26. Remove the valve voltmeter and signal generator, replace V3, V4 and V5.

R.F. Tuned Circuit

- 27. Remove V1 and connect a valve voltmeter shunted to 6.8pF to pin 1 (grid) of V1. Connect a signal generator to the RA. 137 AERIAL plug (ANTENNA socket). Set the OPERATION switch to 10-980 kc/s the RA. 137 AE. RANGE (ANT RANGE) switch to 500-980 kc/s and set the scale pointer to 500 kc/s.
- 28. Set the signal generator to 500 kc/s and adjust the cores of L15 and L21 (fig. 4) for maximum output in the valve voltmeter. Reset the scale pointer and signal generator to 980 kc/s and adjust capacitors C12 and C23 for maximum output in the valve voltmeter. Check the 1.f. end and adjust if necessary at the h.f. end.
- 29. Repeat the above procedure for the remaining aerial coils and their associated capacitors at ranges and frequencies stated in the table below.
- Note: It will be found that on range 10-20 kc/s the adjustment of L5 and C7 is very flat and consequently is not critical.

Range	Frequency	Adjustment
210-50 0 kc/s 90-210 kc/s 40- 90 kc/s 20- 40 kc/s 10- 20 kc/s	120 kc/s 500 kc/s 90 kc/s 210 kc/s 40 kc/s 90 kc/s 20 kc/s 40 kc/s 10 kc/s	L13-L20 C11-C22 L11-L19 C10-C21 L9-L18 C9-C20 L7-L17 C8-C19 L5-L16 C7-C24
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Ensure that the input required to produce a 1.0V deflection on the valve voltmeter does not exceed the value stated in the table below:-

Range	Frequency	Max. input relative to luV
10-20 kc/s 20-40 kc/s	10 kc/s 20 kc/s 20 kc/s 40 kc/s	90dB 90dB 92dB 92dB
40-90 kc/s	40 kc/s 90 kc/s	94dB 94dB
90-210 kc/s	90 kc/s 210 kc/s	92dB 92dB
210-500 kc/s	210 kc/s 500 kc/s	94dB 94dB 102dB
500-980 kc/s	500 kc/s 980 kc/s	100dB

^{30.} Remove the valve voltmeter and signal generator. Replace V1 and balance the mixer by adjusting RV1 and C28 for minimum current in the R.F. LEVEL meter in accordance with paras. 12. to 18.

CHAPTER 7

LIST OF COMPONENTS

Note: It is recommended that users quote the Serial No. of the equipment on all orders for spare parts.

- * Indicates component used in RA. 137B Converters
- + Indicates component used in RA. 137 Converters

Cct. Ref.	Value	Description	Rating	Tol. %	Manufacturer
D				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Resist	ors				
RI	100Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R2	150Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
Ŕ3	150Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R4	150Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R5	150Ω	carbon	$\frac{\dot{1}}{4}W$	10	Erie 16
R6	150Ω	carbon	<u>1</u> ₩	10	Erie 16
R7	150Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R8	150Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R9	100Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R10	$2.2k\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R11	$2.2 extbf{M}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R12	$82k\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R13	2. $2\mathbf{M}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R14	68Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R15	_68Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R16	$2.2k\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R17	$4.7 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}W$ $\frac{1}{2}W$	10	Erie 8
R18	$33k\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R19+	$33 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R19*	$47 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R20	$33k\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R21	$330 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	${\tt carbon}$	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R22	68Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R23	$2.2k\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R24	$4.7 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R25+	180Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R25*	DELETE	CD C			
R26+	180Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16

Cct. Ref.	Value	Description	Rating	Tol. %	Manufacturer
	, 3240	Doociiphon	Tracing		Manuracturer
R26*	DELET	ED			
R27	220Ω	High Stab.	1/8W	1	Erie 109
R28+	82Ω	High Stab.	1/8W	5	Erie 109
R28*	33Ω-	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}W$	5	Erie 8
R29	220Ω	High Stab.	1/8W	1	Erie 109
R30+	180Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R30*	DELETI	ED			
R31	$10 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R32+	180Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R32*	DELETI	ED			•
R33	$4.~7\mathrm{k}\Omega$	\mathtt{carbon}	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R34	$1.8 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	wirewound	$4\frac{1}{2}W$	5	Welwyn Electrical
R35	$470 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R36	68Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{4}$ W	10	Erie 16
R37	$2.2k\Omega$	${\tt carbon}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R38+	82Ω	High Stab.	1/8W	5	Erie 109
R38*	39Ω	High Stab.	1/8W	5	Erie 109
R39+	$4.~7\mathrm{k}\Omega$	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R39*	$15 \mathrm{k}\Omega$	\mathtt{carbon}	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
R40*	6.8k Ω	carbon	$\frac{1}{2}$ W	10	Erie 8
Potenti	ometers				
RVI	100Ω	wirewound		10	Colvern CLR. 3001/11S
Capacit	tors				
Cl	3750pF	silv'd mica	200V	2	JMC. C22R
C2	5550pF	silv'd mica	200V	2	JMC. YC.41R
C3	6300pF	silv'd mica	200V	2	JMC. YC.41R
C4	$4350 \mathrm{pF}$	silv'd mica	200₹	2	JMC. C22R
C5	$4650 \mathrm{pF}$	silv'd mica	200V	2	JMC. C22R
C6	$4350 \mathrm{pF}$	silv'd mica	200V	2	JMC. C22R
C7	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C8	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C9	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C10	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
Cll	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C12	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C13	68pF	silv'd mica	350V	2	Lemco 1106S
C14	523pF	variable (2-gang)			Wingrove & Rogers C73-02/
C15	8.2pF	ceramic	750V	10	101 Erie P. 100K
C16	4.7pF	ceramic	750V	10	Erie P. 100K
C17	3.3pF	ceramic	750V	10	Erie P. 100K

Cct. Ref.	Value	Description	Rating	Tol. %	Manufacturer
				2	Lemco 1106S
C18	68pF	silv'd mica	350V	4	Mullard AC2002/22
C19	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22 Mullard AC2002/22
C20	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22 Mullard AC2002/22
C21	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C22	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C23	22pF	trimmer	400V		•
C24	22pF	trimmer	400V		Mullard AC2002/22
C25	See C14		25011		D
C26	0.001µF	ceramic	350V	20	Erie Hik/AD
C27	0. lμF	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C28	0. l μF	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C29	$10\mu F$	electrolytic	25V	2.0	Hunts UB59KY
C30	0. lμF	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C31	0.05μΓ	paper	350V	20	Hunts W49/B511K
C32	68pF	ceramic	750V	5	Erie N750L
C33	$68 \mathrm{pF}$	ceramic	750V	10	Erie N750K
C34	0.05µF	paper	350V	20	Hunts W49/B511K
C35	$0.01 \mu F$	paper	400V	20	Hunts BM21K
C36	$47 \mathrm{pF}$	ceramic	7 50V	5	Erie N750K
C37	$2\mu F$	electrolytic	350V		Hunts Z. 145010
C38	$68 \mathrm{pF}$	ceramic	750V	5	Erie N750L
C39	0.05μF	paper	350V	20	Hunts W49/B511K
C40	0. lμF	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C41	$0.05 \mu extbf{F}$	\mathtt{paper}	35 0V	20	Hunts W49/B511K
C42	$100\mathrm{pF}$	ceramic	350V	2	Lemco CMMIG
C43	$68\mathrm{pF}$	ceramic	750V	5	Erie N750L
C44	47 pF	ceramic	750V	5	Erie N750K
C45	$120 \mathrm{pF}$	ceramic	7 50V	5	Erie N750L
C46	$100\mathrm{pF}$	silv'd mica	35 0V	2	Lemco CMMIG
C47	$0.01 \mu \mathrm{F}$	paper	400V	20	Hunts BM21K
C48	$100 \mathrm{pF}$	silv'd mica	350V	2	Lemco CMMIG
C49	$10\mu F$	electrolytic	25V		Hunts Z. 145097
C50	33pF	trimmer			Wingrove & Rogers C31-01/1
C51	$0.1 \mu F$	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C52	34.5pF	trimmer	1000V		Oxley Circular
C53	$0.1 \mu F$	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C54	$0.05 \mu F$	paper	350V	20	Hunts W49/B511K
C55	15pF	ceramic	750V	10	Erie NPOK
C56	0. lμF	paper	150V	20	Hunts W49/B500K
C57	120pF	ceramic	750V	20	Erie N750L
C58	$2\mu \hat{\mathbf{F}}$	electrolytic	350V		Hunts Z. 145010
C59	8µF	electrolytic	350V		Hunts JB. 403T
C60	0.01µF	paper	750V	20	Lemco 420K
C61	0.01µF	paper	750V	20	Lemco 420K

Cct. Ref.	Value	Description Ra	ating	Tol. %	Manufacturer
C62	0. lμF	paper 35	ov	20	Hunts W49/B512K
C63	$0.01 \mu F$		00V	20	Hunts BM21K
C64	0.01µF	77 (1) (2) (3) (3)	VO	20	Hunts BM21K
C65	$0.01 \mu F$		VOV	20	Hunts BM21K
Switch	es				
Sl		Attenuator			Racal AA8034
S2		Aerial Range			Racal BSW. 14436
S3		Mains and h.t. interlock	τ,		NSF. Z.510554
C4		Operation			NSF. Z.510554
Plugs	and Sockets				
PL1+		Aerial (fixed)			NSF. Z.450101
SK1+		Aerial (free)			NSF. Z. 549028
PL1*		Aerial (free)			Films and Equipment
SK1*	¥-	Aerial (fixed)			Films and Equipment
PL2+		l Mc/s Input (fixed)			Power Controls
SK2+		l Mc/s Input (free)			Power Controls
PL2*		l Mc/s Input (free)			Amphenol UG260B/U
SK2*		<pre>1 Mc/s Input (fixed)</pre>			Amphenol UG1094/U
PL3+		Mains (fixed)			Plessey Z560060
SK3+		Mains (free)			Plessey Z560100
PL3*		R.F. Output (free)			Amphenol UG260B/U
SK3*		R.F. Output (fixed)			Amphenol UG910/U
PL4+		R. F. Output (fixed)			Power Controls
SK4+		R.F. Output (free)			Power Controls
		Socket outlet accessorie	s set		15295/93-98
Valves	3				
V1+		R.F. Amplifier			Mullard EF93
VI*		R.F. Amplifier			Mullard 6BA6
V2+		Harmonic Generator			Mullard EF91
V2*		Harmonic Generator			Mullard 6AU6
V3+		Balanced Mixer			Mazda 6F33
V3*		Balanced Mixer			Mullard 6AS6
V4+		Balanced Mixer			Mazda 6F33
V4*		Balanced Mixer			Mullard 6AS6
V5+		Stabilizer			Mullard 150C4
V5*		Stabilizer			Mullard OA2
V6+		Cathode Follower			Mullard EF91
V6*		Cathode Follower			Mullard 6AU6

Cct.		
Ref.	Description	Manufacturer
Valveholder	s and Screening Cans	
		
VI	Screening Can	McMurdo Z.563003
	Valveholder	McMurdo Z. 560127
V2	Screening Can	McMurdo Z. 563003
	${f Valveholder}$	McMurdo Z. 560127
V3+	Screening Can	McMurdo Z.563003
and	${\tt Valveholder}$	McMurdo XM7/UXT1
V4		
V3*	Screening Can	McMurdo Z.560145
and	${\tt Valveholder}$	McMurdo XM7/UXT1
V4		
V 5	Screening Can	McMurdo Z. 563005
	${\tt Valveholder}$	McMurdo Z.560127
V 6	Screening Can	McMurdo Z.563003
	Valveholder	McMurdo Z. 560127
Inductors		
Ll	Filter Coil Assembly	Racal AA14822/C
L2	Filter Coil Assembly	Racal AA14822/A
L3	Filter Coil Assembly	Racal AA14822/B
L4	Filter Coil Assembly	Racal AA14822/A
L5)	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/A
L6)		
L7) L8)	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/B
, L9)	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/C
L10)		164641 13111 10037 0
L11) L12)	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/G
L13)	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/H
L14)		
L15	Coil Assembly	Racal AA15233/A
L16	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/D
L17	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/E
L18	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/F
L19	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/J
L20	Coil Assembly	Racal BA14663/K
L21	Coil Assembly	Racal AA15233/B
L22	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7842

Cct. Ref.	Description	Manufacturer
	Description	Manufacture1
L23	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7843
L24	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7843
L25	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7843
L26	Coil Assembly	Racal AA8029
L27	Filter Coil Assembly	Racal AA4655
L28	Choke	Bulgin Q. 602/AS. 9197
L29	Coil Assembly	Racal AA9199
L30	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7844
L31+	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7845
L31*	Coil Assembly	Racal AA8313
L32	Coil Assembly	Racal AA8030
L33)	Coil Assembly	Racal AA7846
L34)		
L35	Filter Coil Assembly	Racal AA4655
L36	Choke	Bulgin Q. 602/AS. 9197
L37	Choke	Bulgin Q. 602/AS. 9197
Transformer		
Tl	Mains	Racal BT8288
Fuse and Fuseh	older	
Fl	Fuse 250mA	Belling Lee L. 338
1.	Fuseholder	Belling Lee L. 356
	r usenoider	Beiling Lee L. 550
Lamps and Lam	pholders	
LP1 and LP2	Indicator lamp 8V., 0.156A 10 mm. tub. (M.E.S.)	
LP1 and LP2	Lampholder	Bulgin M.E.S. 55R
Miscellaneous		
	Knob Assembly (for S1 and D2)	Racal AA15472
	Knob (tuning)	Racal AA6817
	Coaxial Cable	Uni Radio UR. 70
	Slow motion tuning drive	Jackson DR. 645
	Barrier terminal strip	Cinch 77/508/3
	+ 1 Mc/s connecting cable	Racal AA8026/A
	* 1 Mc/s connecting cable	Racal AA8026/B

Cct. Ref.	Description	Manufacturer
	+ R.F. output cable	Racal AA8027/A
	* R.F. output cable	Racal AA8027/B
	H.T. and A.V.C. cableform	Racal AA8028
	Attenuator switch assembly	Racal AA8034
	Harmonic generator filter assembly	Racal AA7848
	Low-pass filter assembly	Racal BA7530
	Electrostatic screen assembly	Racal AA11016
	+ Front Panel (engraved)	Racal CD14376/A
	* Front panel (engraved)	Racal CD14376/B
	+ Rear Panel (engraved)	Racal BD7527
	* Rear Panel (Engraved)	Racal BD7529
	Cover, bottom (harmonic generator)	Racal BD7508
	Cover, top (harmonic generator)	Racal BD8025
	Cover, top (Main component box assembly)	Racal BD14818
	+ Cover, bottom (Main component box assembly)	Racal BD7506
	* Cover, bottom (Main component box assembly)	Racal BD14499

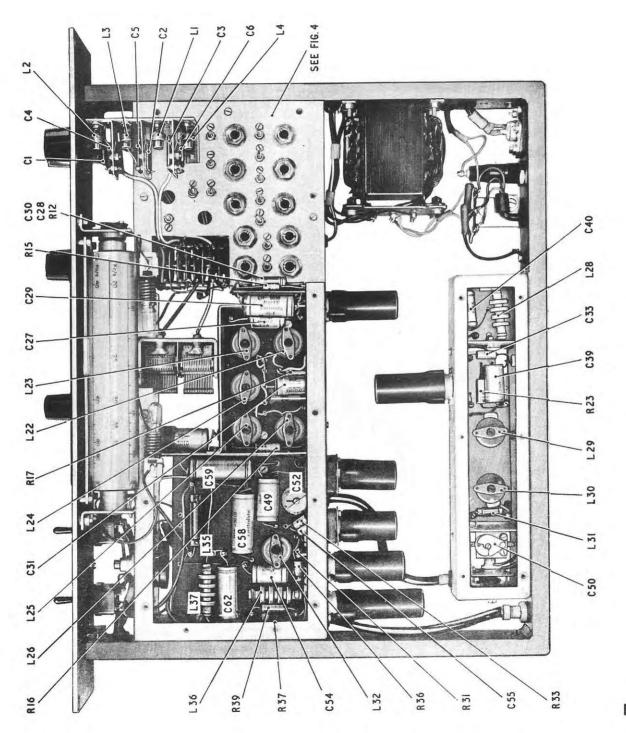


Fig.2

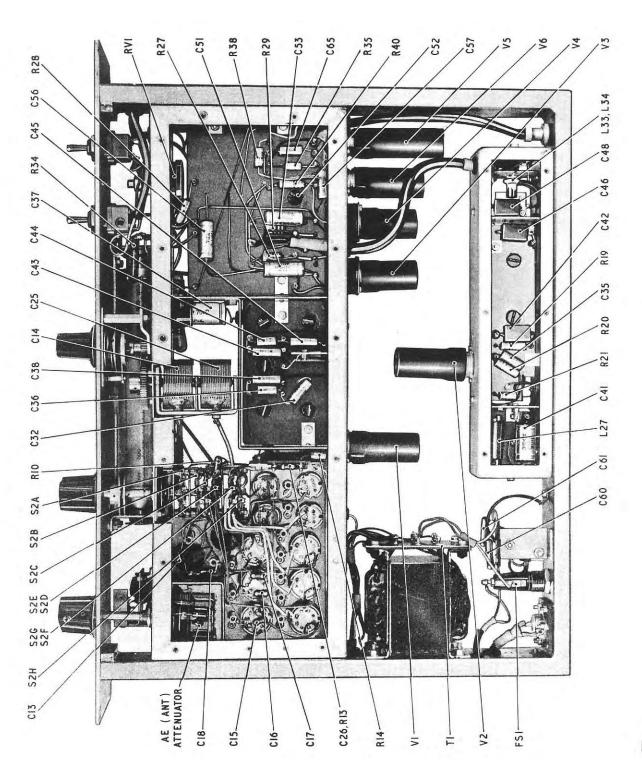
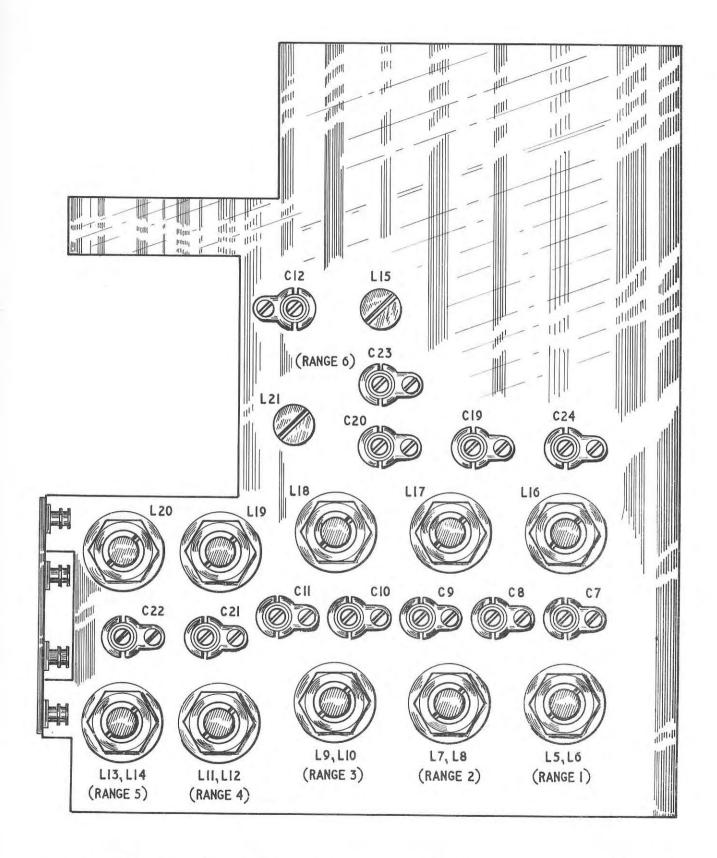
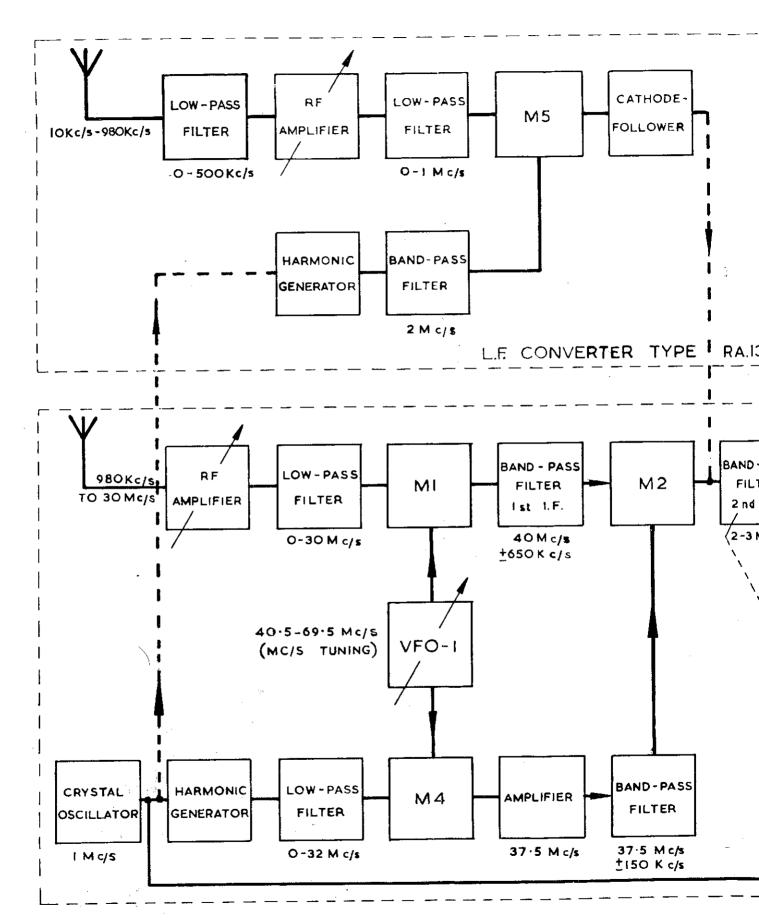
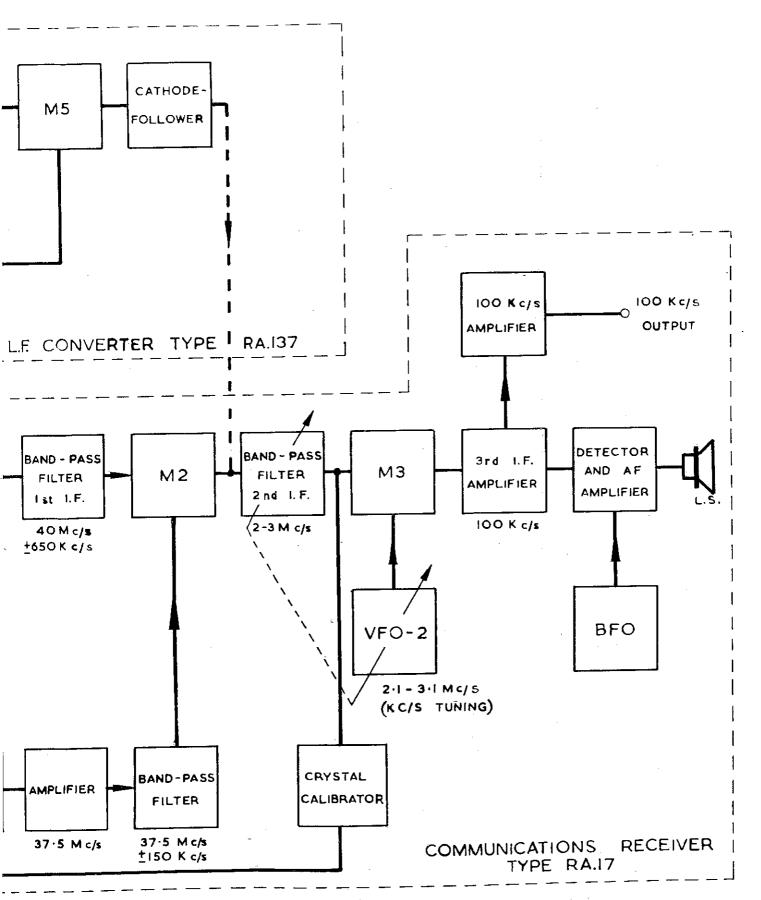


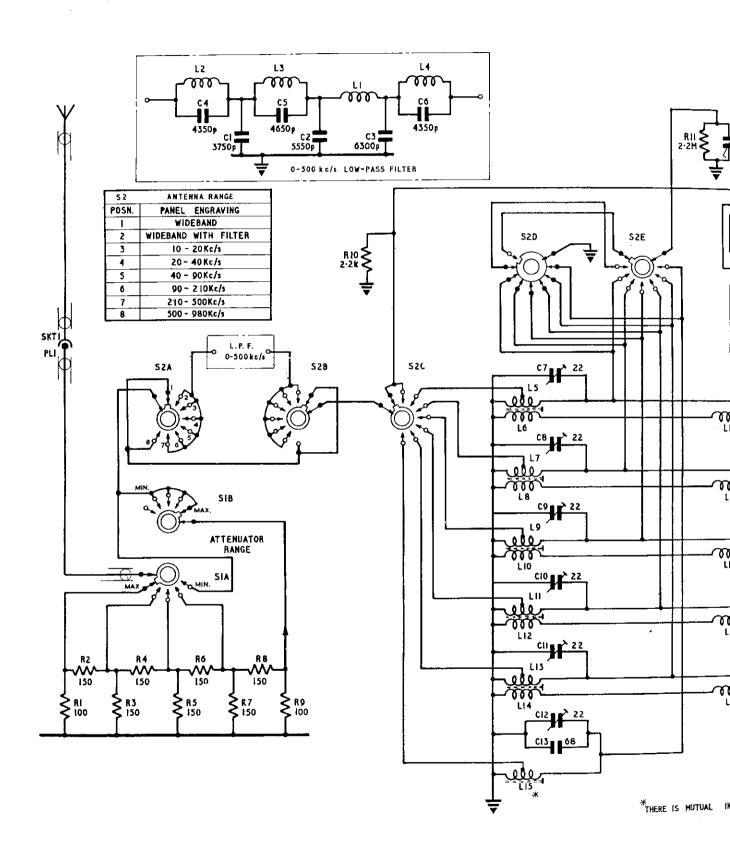
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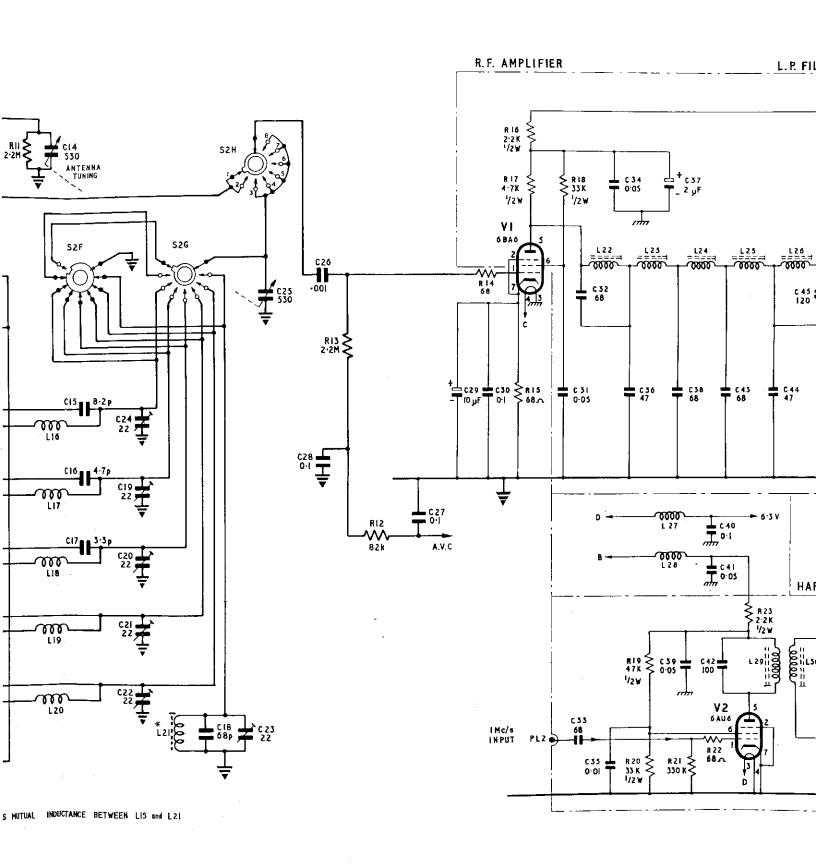


R.F. coil chassis assembly









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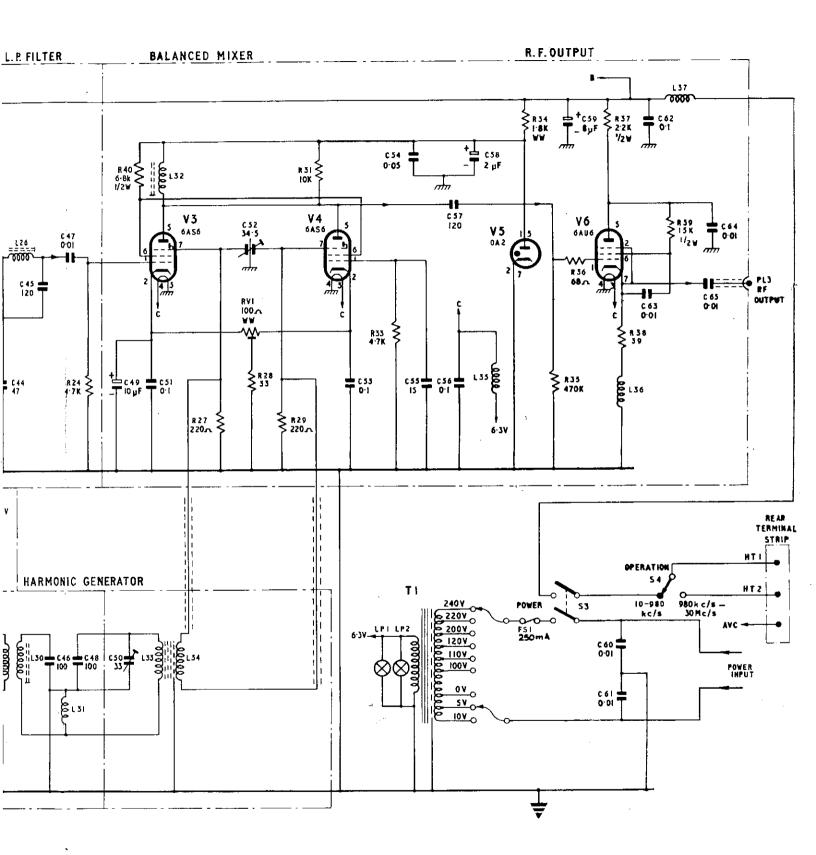


FIG.6

Guarantee

We, Racal Electronics Limited, guarantee, subject to the following terms, to replace or, at our option, repair, free of charge, any components or parts of any goods supplied which fail within 12 months of the date of despatch solely as a result of faulty materials or bad workmanship.

- Defective components or parts must be returned to our factory carriage paid, and any labour costs involved in refitting into an equipment will be chargeable to the customer.
- Damage caused by unauthorised alteration or substitution of non-standard parts by incorrect installation or any third party or consequential damage or loss is not covered by this guarantee.
- 3. This guarantee will apply only if the equipment is bought from Racal Electronics Limited or an authorised vendor at the appropriate prices and terms.
- 4. Components such as electric bulbs and valves are covered by such guarantee as is given by the manufacturers of those components.
- 5. This guarantee cannot be altered by any person or Company other than Racal Electronics Limited.

PLEASE COMPLETE FORM BELOW AND RETURN TO SUPPLIER

TEAR OFF HERE

REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Purchaser
Address of Purchaser
Equipment Type
Equipment Serial Number
Date of Purchase
Name of Supplier
Address of Supplier
The guarantee for this equipment will not be effective unless this

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form is returned duly completed.

