

ting PARIS component we can get our hands on so PARIS<BR>>=20  
>> can<BR>>>>be thoroughly tested in larger configurations. No =  
>>more of=20  
>> this "sorry,<BR>> we<BR>>>>didn't have a full system to =  
>>test"=20  
>> thing. But as a start we'll settle for<BR>>>>whatever we can =  
>>lay our=20  
>> hands on.<BR>>>><BR>>>>In addition we'd need a PARIS =  
>>  
>> community member who lives in the 48<BR>>>>contiguous states =  
>>(to keep=20  
>> shipping costs and delays low) to volunteer<BR>>=20  
>> to<BR>>>>be<BR>>>>the occasional "depot/shipping =  
>>person". They'd=20  
>> be the person that <BR>>>>received<BR>>>>the donated =  
>>  
>> components, tested them, assembled them into a rig, and=20  
>> sent<BR>>>>it<BR>>>>to where it needed to go, and if =  
>>needed=20  
>> (although if it finds a long-term<BR>>>>home fast, that's =  
>>good news=20  
>> for us) receive it back and ship it=20  
>> <BR>>>>elsewhere.<BR>>>><BR>>>>BTW, I'd do =  
>>it=20  
>> myself in a heartbeat, but I'm in Canada - don't even =  
>>ask<BR>>>>what=20  
>> international shipping would add to the hassle and the cost and=20  
>> the<BR>>>>delays. I've already had the first potential =  
>>volunteer=20  
>> interest, and he's<BR>>>>a<BR>>>>name you've all known a =  
>>long=20  
>> time, but we're clear that there are some<BR>>>>commitments I =  
>>need to=20  
>> obtain from others before we can ask him for=20  
>> his.<BR>>>><BR>>>>Incidentally, obviously I'm not =  
>>proposing=20  
>> we stick that volunteer, <BR>>>>whoever<BR>>>>it =  
>>winds up=20  
>> being, with picking up shipping/packing charges. I'd=20  
>> propose<BR>>>>setting up something like a PayPal account for =  
>>them in=20  
>> order to let the<BR>>>>community chip in a few bucks apiece =  
>>to cover=20  
>> any reasonable<BR>>>>packing/shipping costs. I'd nag, too - =

>>these are=20  
>> trivial "beer money" <BR>>>>costs<BR>>>>for a =  
>>community to=20  
>> absorb, rather than a lump for an=20  
>> =  
>>individual.<BR>>>><BR>>>>>>>><BR>>>>&g=  
>>t;<BR>>>>As=20  
>> mentioned, this is not an actual call for components yet - it's=20  
>> just<BR>>>>an<BR>>>>"assessment" call to determine if =  
>>folks=20  
>> would give concrete support to<BR>> this<BR>>>>idea. I'd =  
>>put=20  
>> everyone fully in the picture on \*where\* I was proposing<BR>>>=20  
>> it<BR>>>>to<BR>>>>go (and of course \*why\*) when I made =  
>>the=20  
>> actual call for components.<BR>>>><BR>>>>PARIS =  
>>hardware=20  
>> prices have plummeted so far that the gear's hardly=20  
>> worth<BR>>>>selling now - (\$25 for a C16? Feh, the faders in =

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