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From:
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Abstract
This IL provides industry notification of a new 868 NPA for Trinidad & Tobago.

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The Government of Trinidad & Tobago has requested that a new geographic area code be assigned to Trinidad & Tobago. As a result, NANPA has assigned the 868 NPA for this purpose. Trinidad & Tobago will depart from the 809 NPA when the 868 NPA is implemented as described below. The 809 NPA will continue to serve the needs of the Caribbean countries remaining in the 809 NPA. The Government of Trinidad and Tobago's Director of Telecommunications, Office of the Prime Minister, will be responsible for the administration of the central office codes within the 868 NPA.

Trinidad & Tobago will use the existing NXXs and customer line numbers in the new 868 NPA, i.e., the 868 NPA will replace the 809 NPA for all current telephone numbers.

The introduction of the new 868 NPA, and the beginning of a permissive dialing period, will take place at 12:01 AM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on Sunday, June 1, 1997. The permissive dialing period will end at 11:59 PM EDT on Sunday, May 31, 1998. The implementation of the 868 NPA will be similar to an NPA split, i.e., during the permissive dialing period either 809 or 868 will be acceptable in a dialed number terminating in the new 868 NPA. After the permissive dialing period, calls dialed with the 809 NPA to Trinidad & Tobago NXXs will be routed to intercept.

Beginning on June 1, 1997 (i.e., the start of the permissive dialing period) all new NXXs activated in Trinidad & Tobago will be assigned with the new 868 NPA. Since these new NXXs may be duplicates of NXXs already assigned in the 809 NPA, calls directed to these new NXXs in Trinidad & Tobago must be dialed with the new 868 NPA to avoid being routed to another destination in the Caribbean.

All international and domestic carriers are asked to ensure that the new 868 NPA has been activated throughout their networks prior to June 1, 1997. The test number to the new area code will be activated on January 1, 1997 and will remain operational until August 31, 1998. The test number will be as follows: 868-809-8378.

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Calls successfully completed to the test number will receive a recorded announcement. Calls to report trouble reaching the test number should be directed by voice to 809-625-3202, or by FAX on 809-627-0859.

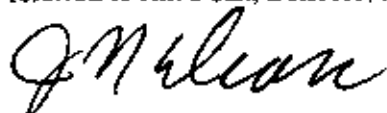
Attached is a map showing the islands and area of the Caribbean covered by the new 868 NPA and a listing of the current Trinidad & Tobago NXXs that will be moving to the 868 NPA.

The dialing plan for the new 868 NPA will be as follows:

- All home NPA (HNPA) "local" calls will continue to be dialed on a 7-digit basis with no prefix; i.e., NXX + XXXX (7 digits).
- All Foreign NPA (FNPA) direct dialed "toll" calls will be dialed with a prefix "1" and 10 digits; i.e., 1 + FNPA + NXX + XXXX (1 + 10 digits).
- Until July 31, 1997 all operator assisted calls will be dialed as follows:
 - 6211 (4 digits) for HNPA calls
 - 6311 (4 digits) for FNPA calls
- From August 1, 1997, all operator assisted calls including credit card, collect, and third party calls will be dialed with a "0" prefix as follows:
 - 0 + NXX + XXXX (0 + 7 digits) for HNPA calls
 - 0 + FNPA + XXXX (0 + 10 digits) for FNPA calls

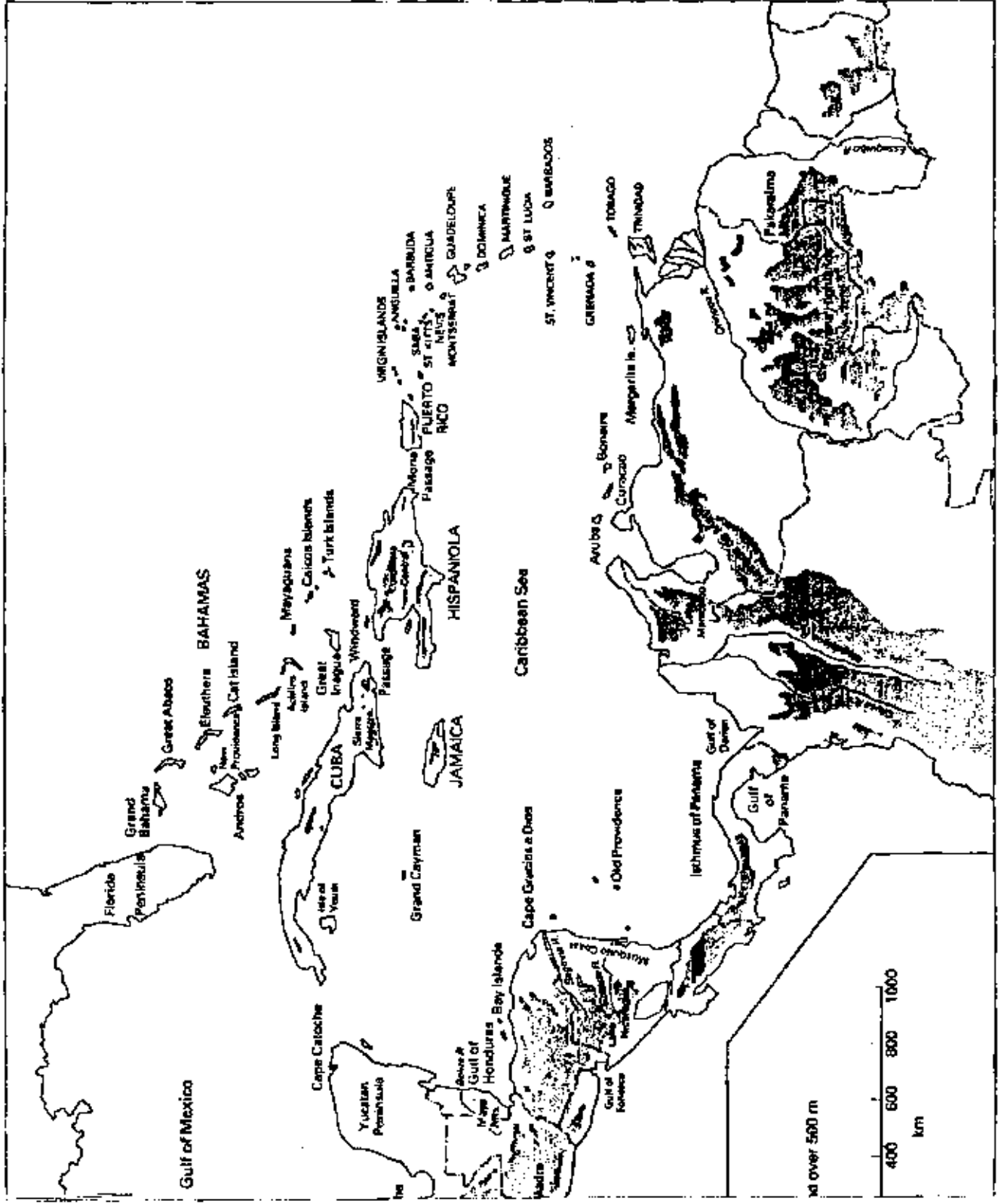
Questions concerning the introduction of the 868 NPA may be referred to R. Winston Ragbir, Director of Telecommunications, Office of the Prime Minister, Trinidad & Tobago, at 809-627-2051. Implementation/operational questions concerning the 868 NPA may be referred to Nigel Cassimire, Traffic Manager, Telecommunications Services of Trinidad & Tobago, Ltd., at 809-624-2928, or by FAX at 809-624-6525.

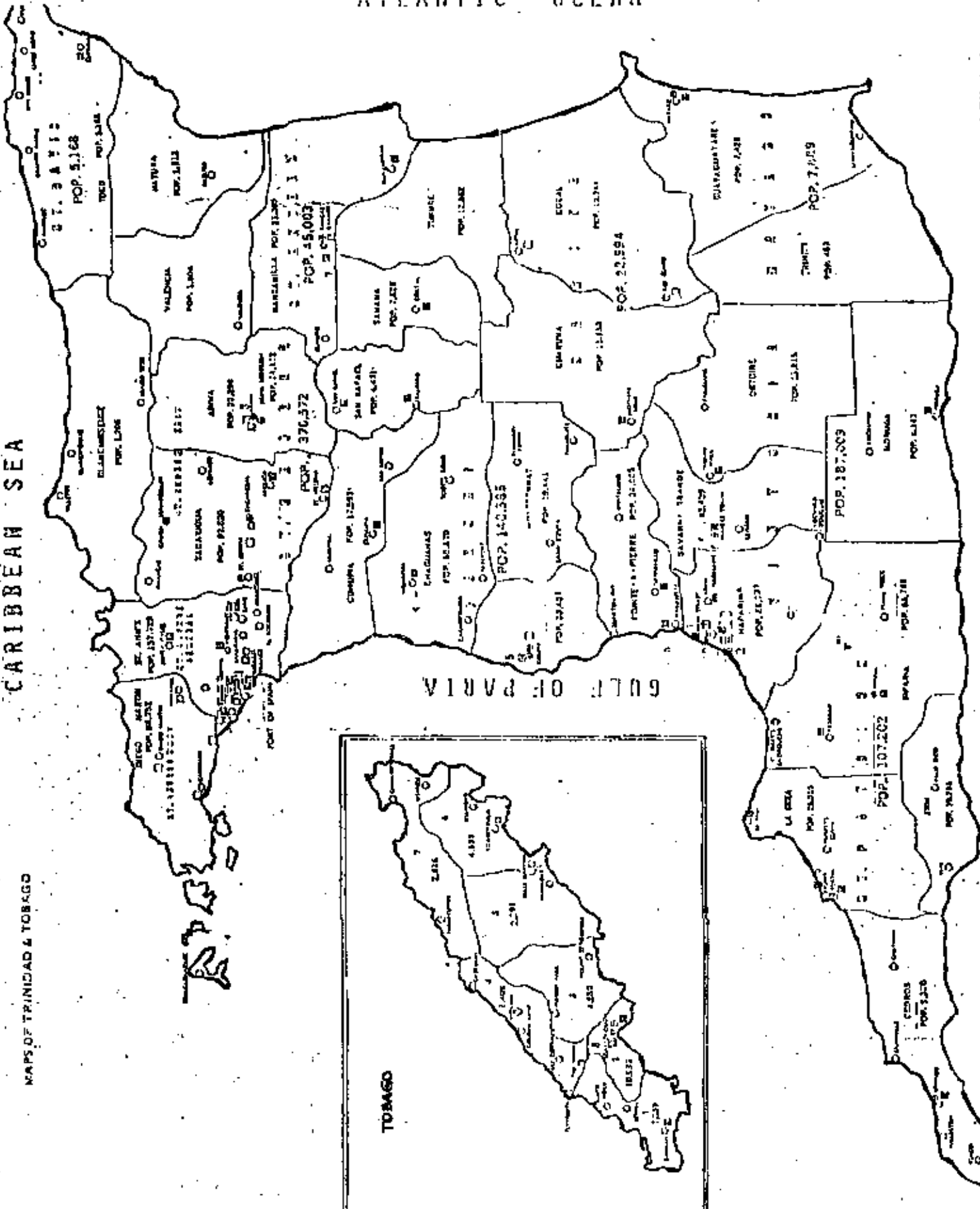
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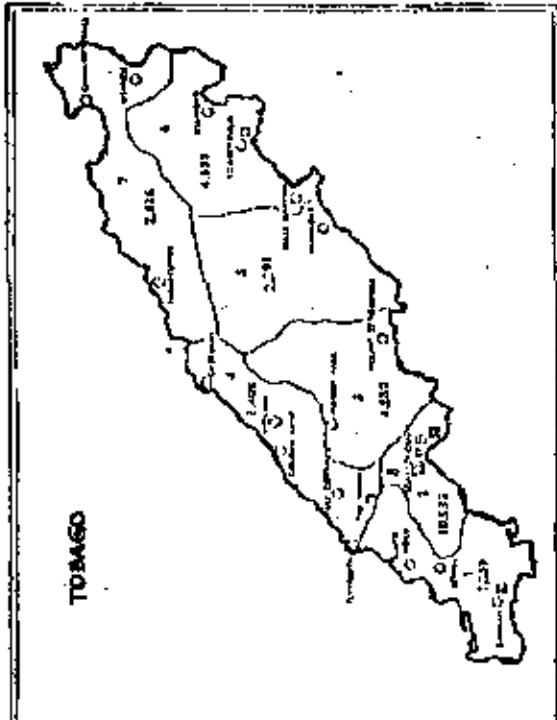
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**LISTING OF 809 NPA CENTRAL OFFICE CODES (NXX)
IN TRINIDAD & TOBAGO THAT WILL BE MOVING TO 868 NPA**

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621	663
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