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Dear Bert:

This letter is to pass along some information on an additional International Call Handling (ICH) Country, a change of procedures for these routing information letters, and a few other minor items for clarification purposes.

IDDD (for U.S. routing groups)

Priorities being what they are, the most important of the items is the ICH matter, therefore, it is the first to be discussed. Qatar (pronounced Gatter which rhymes with batter) is a Country about the size of Massachusetts, is located on a peninsula jutting into the Persian Gulf, and is bordered by Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The Country was not included in the February activities because of circuit congestion and facility problems. These, miraculously, were resolved when Qatar (an oil rich Country) officials made subsequent requests through the State Department. We are therefore, now engaged in an effort to modernize the dialing arrangement for IDDD for an effective date of August 15, 1981.

This is our second opportunity this year to demonstrate our ability to implement IDDD changes with neatness and dispatch (Mexico 190+ is not included and the February changes seemed to have gone reasonably well). This activity is expected to go just as well if not better than the ones in February. The information listed below is in System Letter RL 81-05-065:

Country Code	Paired Code	Min - Max	1st Stage
974	174	8-9	011+174

Test number will be 974+000+789 in NYCMNYBW24T and will be functional from July 18 to September 5, 1981. For toll offices, the effective date will be July 18, 1981, so make sure the 011+174 routing is implemented on (could be before) that date.

TSPS and end offices should add the new translations between July 18 and August 1. Testing can be done after making the changes, as the toll network should be ready, however, we are expecting that the bulk of the testing would be done in the August 1-15 time frame. As usual, although you may have no particular responsibilities in the local routing, it would be appreciated if you could advise those that do, about this project.

Special Codes Served

The Operations Network Administration Center (ONAC) has a strong need for identification of the OXX (or NXX) codes that are to be used for the 800 Service. It appears that the easiest way to solve their problem is to amend the practice a bit, and separate "Special Codes Served" into two listings, i.e. Special Codes Served-800 and Special Codes Served-Other. Use this method in reporting their use (OXX or NXX) on TAW 266 forms. If NXX are used for the POTS type numbering in the data base, they will only exist on the network in the OSO(s) and other toll offices, and will not require unblocking in the 1/1A ESS. Remember, these numbers will not be dialed by a subscriber, they are only for the 800 data base, OSO, other toll offices, and in some cases end offices (terminating only). It is also important to remember that these codes are to be treated as you would central office codes and not TTC or Tstbd codes.

Routing Information Letters

This is an administrative matter. With all the letters that have been generated because of the weird and wonderful things we've done on the network, it would appear prudent to take stock. Attached is a listing of the RIL(s) that have been issued (I think I've got them all). These letters from here on out will be numbered for easier reference.

Miscellaneous

Item 2 on "Special Code Served" discussed unblocking of E digits, or rather the lack of the need for it on certain code usage. It occurred to me that there has been some correspondence in the past on that subject and it might not hurt to list those numbering Plan Area (NPA) codes or Special Area Codes (SAC) for which the unblocking of the "E" digit has been requested, they are as follows: 212, 213, 706, 800, 900, and 905.

Non-hierarchical Switching Systems

Recently the RSU/host (remote switching unit/host) has been deployed in various locations. Generally these "4X" systems are being used for CAMA and do not introduce additional transmission impairments into the

network. They are considered transparent to the network and usually home on a class 4 (toll center or point). Since they do not affect routing to or from other Companies, there is no need to include them in the description of the terminating configuration of the toll center area. In other words, do not show them as toll offices on the TAW 266 forms for the TRE in KC, no one needs to know nor, in all probability, wants to know about them.

That is all I can think of for the present. As always, though, call me on 201-221-4759 if you have any questions.

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cc: Sec 3 TRG Addressees

<u>RIL No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Subject</u>
1	6-15-74	Overseas - Belgium "9D exact"
2	11-26-74	WECO Use of TPMD for vacant code screening.
3	8-16-76	Satellite avoidance (SAT) - intro of 191, PCR, etc.
4	10-1-76	Overseas - phase out of 18X, phase in of 011 XXX
5	5-5-77	WATS - restructure, 808, 907, 809 for 8/1/77
6	5-11-77	TWX - disc crossover between 3 row and 4 row
7	6-3-77	SAT - reassigns some 191 functions
8	6-7-77	WATS - amends RIL #5
9	7-13-77	TWX - establishes some cutover administrative procedures
10	9-22-77	Cable C/T to HI, 180 MX, phase out 18X (OVS) and WATS changes for AK and HI
11	10-17-77	WATS - blocking of 800 calls; test 191; amend RIL #10 on MX
12	2-23-78	WATS - 800 468 for PR established
13	7-5-78	WATS - 800 544 for AK established
14	7-20-78	WATS - Estab. dual TSO at SNDG & SNBO for 800 854
15	3-1-79	SAT - 191 for OKCY phased out
16	8-8-79	WATS - 800 524 VI established
17	9-13-79	SAT - 191 serving of change PITB - DTRT
18	12-3-78	OVS - 1980 IDDD Countries
19	2-15-80	TWX; 212+409; SAT - 191 ATLNNW; ARGIS changes for codes served by term. tdms. (TT)
20	3-28-80	Impaired Speech and hearing service; some more on "Special Codes Served"; and 191 DNVR
21	4-10-80	New 900 approach; WATS compression for 7/1/80
22	5-16-80	ARINC problem of extra links on 800 Service
23	?	SAT - 191 on COVLIL from STLSMO
24	8-15-80	Death of MR FUS, 706 MX, service problems to PR/VI
25	9-25-80	SAT - 191 (COSA NOSTRA) WHPLNY to NWHNCT; Reaffirm Planned Codes
26	10-9-80	Canada only - 706 MX; reaffirm planned codes
27	10-30-80	WATS - 1980 band reconfiguration
28	12-1-80	5 MX trib problems; 1981 IDDD countries; 191 - SLCYUT
29	2-25-81	MX 190+; TWX phase 6
30	3-23-81	Clarification to RIL 29 (MX 190)