



Safari Cable Company

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1 Shareholders:

Safari Cable Company has been founded by Mr. Bashir Isse Mahamud and in 2015, Mr. Sjaak van der Kamp joined him in this project. Both have a wide experience in international business in their own field.

Bashir Isse Mahamud, born in Somalia, has been a businessman in the Netherlands and in the early 1980's he started already a telecommunication business and rolled this out over several countries.

Sjaak van der Kamp has been an entrepreneur and businessman in the field of Flowers, Pot plants and Young Plants and later with production and trade in wood pellets with companies in The Netherlands, Malaysia, China, Indonesia and Italy.

These 2 partners together form a solid team with a lot of business sense and experience.

2. Board of Directors:

The board of Directors in Safari Cable Company is as follows:

-Bashir Isse Mahamud: Managing C.E.O.

-Sjaak van der Kamp: Chairman

-Jenny van der Kamp: Financial manager.

3. The start of Safari Cable Company:

Bashir Isse Mahamud came back from The Netherlands to Somalia in 2009. Mr. Adaan Sheikhdoon Ali, CEO of United Cable Company (U.C.C.) in Somalia, asked Bashir Isse Mahamud to collect more info how to connect Somalia with

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the rest of the world. Mr. Adaan Sheikhdoon Ali knew that all investor eyes were focused on Somalia. The availability of cost effective, high-speed

telecommunications services should be the most critical catalyst for the macro socio economic development of Somalia and will lead to peace and prosperity.

Bashir went to Nairobi in Kenya, where he had a meeting with Mr. John Sihra, Chairman of WIOC, Africa's leading provider of comprehensive, integrated core digital infrastructure solutions and network services in Africa. Since 2008, WIOCC has been transforming Africa's global digital hyperscale infrastructure.

Fourteen telecom companies in Africa jointly set up WIOCC and a board with representatives from each shareholder company govern this big organization.

200.000 km of subsea systems and 75.000 km of terrestrial fiber has been installed in Africa and connect Africa to the world.

WIOCC has a wide experience when it comes to telecom connections and this meeting in Nairobi was the first step to the development of Safari Cable Company and to the initiation of the NEAR Cable project.

In September 2014, Safari Cable Company and U.C.C. already signed a Joint Venture Agreement to work together as partners in this NEAR Cable Project.

The Federal Government of Somalia firmly recognized the Importance of telecommunications and Internet Technology and Services and in June 2015, they approved the application to conduct Telecommunication Facilities-Based Services including but not limited to Regional Network Operation, National Network Operator (Fixed or Mobile: Voice and Data) and International Gateway. With this approval, Safari Cable Company was authorized to conduct and carry on Telecommunication business in Somalia.

The Ministry of Trade and Industry in Somalia also realized that Safari Cable Company will create employment opportunities for many Somali people and has a share in the economic development of the country.

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4. North Eastern Africa Submarine Cable System (NEAR)

Safari Cable Company nowadays is a Network and Capacity Service provider of Telecommunication and Internet technology in Somalia, Eritrea, Ethiopia and Juba by implementation of a high capacity fiber optic Submarine cable in the North Eastern Africa Region under the name of NEAR Cable System. (North Eastern Africa Submarine Cable System)

This NEAR Cable runs from Port Sudan in the North East of Africa (Red Sea) along Eritrea and Djibouti to Bosaso in Somalia (Gulf of Aden). Total length of this NEAR cable is around 2100 km.

5. Docking or Cable Landing Terminal Stations:

Five Docking- or Landing stations have been made in:

-Somalia, Puntland (Bosaso) in Gulf of Aden by Universal Cable Company (UCC) acting under the name of Golis Telecom Somalia.

-Berbera, biggest harbour in Somaliland by Somtel telecom.

-Massawa in Eritrea by Eritel telecommunication.

-Addis Abbaba in Ethiopia by Ethiopia Telecom.

-Juba by Juba Telecom.

Maintenance facilities for the terminal transmission and Supervisory equipment, including network management systems for the day-to-day operations have been set up.

Primary Power for the terminal Stations, Power Feed for the undersea submerged repeaters and back-up power sources for the system and the station infrastructure requirements have been provided.

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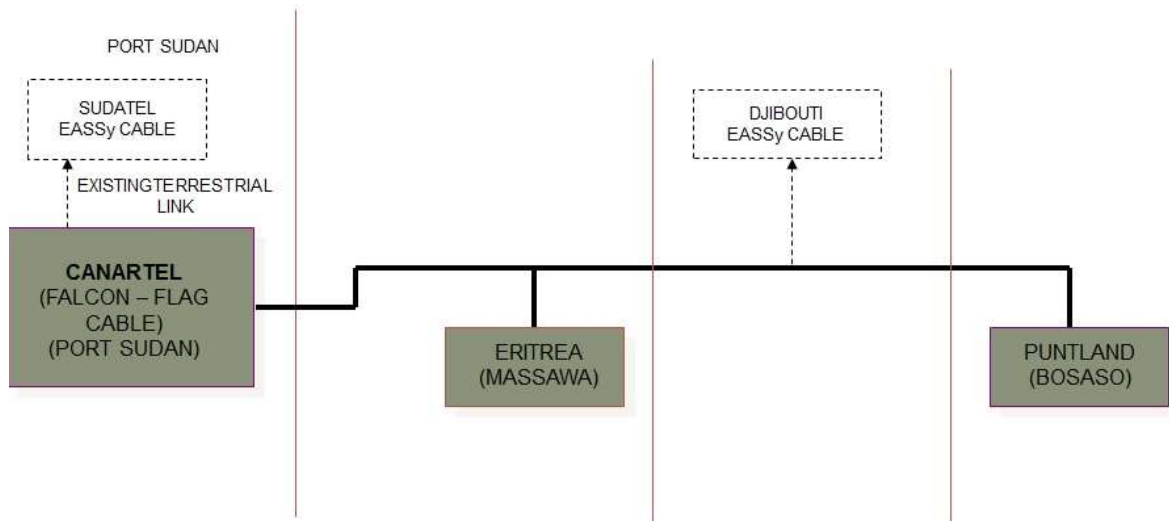
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6. Connection to the rest of the World:

The route has been verified during the detailed Study and is shown in the line diagram below. It was important that NEAR lands at all 3 landing stations where it will interconnect with other systems at Port Sudan to integrate NEAR into the global submarine optical fiber cable networks. Ethiopia and Juba get their data through a 1000 km long landline from Massawa (Eritrea) to Addis Ababa and further to Juba. With this landline, a population of 100 million people has been reached!

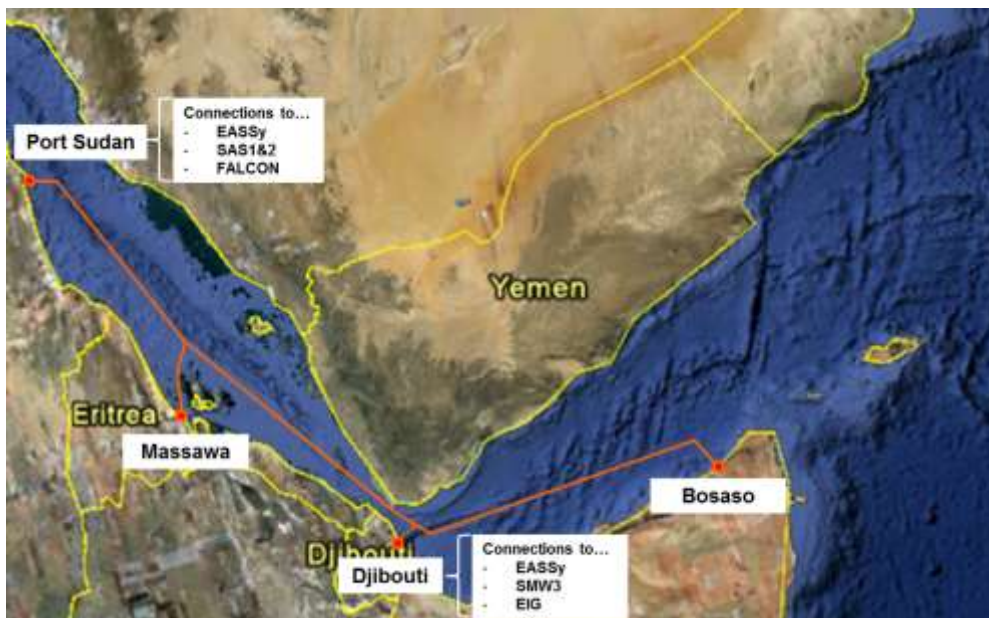


This NEAR cable has been connected with the East African Submarine Cable System:(EASSY) and through this NEAR cable System, Somalia and the participating countries have access to the rest of the world.

All parties involved have signed a Joint Venture agreement with Safari Cable Company. They all see the unlimited use of this cable and wishes to utilize capacity on this cable, because there is a growing demand in the Northern Eastern African Region for broadband connectivity, high speed data traffic and Internet based services. The Parties recognize and anticipate that other similar

entities may wish to participate in the development, planning and in the implementation of the System.

7. Detailed Map of connections of the NEAR Cable:



In Eritrea, Eritell (the Eritrean Telecommunication Service Corporation) is the sole operator of landline telephone communication infrastructure. It is also the sole operator of the mobile telephone service and one of the network providers. They liked to work together with Safari on this NEAR Cable line and on August 23, 2015, Safari Cable Company, represented by their Chairman Mr. Sjaak van der Kamp, signed already a JV Agreement with EriTell,



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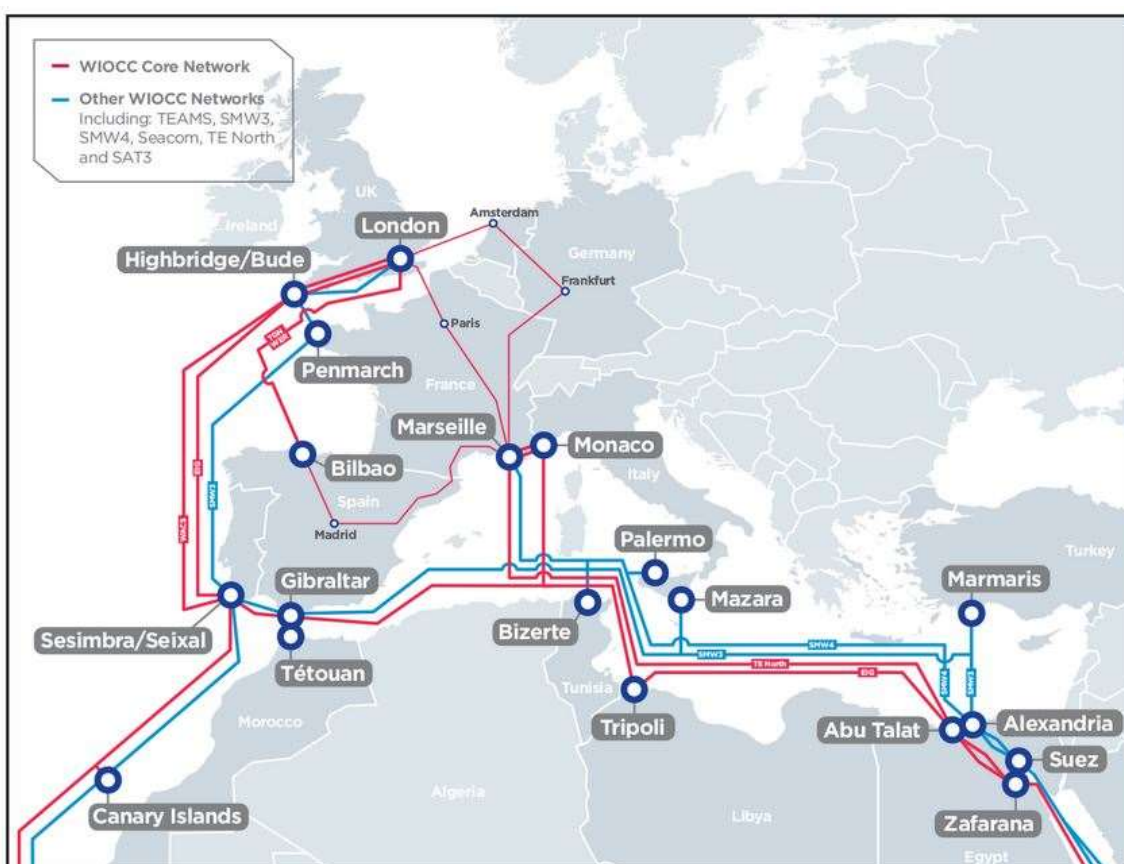
represented by their DG, Communications Authority, Mr. Eng. Mekkonen Fessahazion.

In Berbera, Somaliland, Somtel Telecom, represented by their CEO Mr. Abdirashid Duale, signed in 2020 a joint venture agreement with Safari Cable Company and became part of the NEAR Cable project.

8. East African Submarine Cable System (EASSY)

EASSY is a project of a 10.500 km optical fiber submarine cable system which connects most of the African countries to Europe, Asia and the USA.

WIOCC has firmly established itself as Africa's carriers' carrier, providing international and African Telecoms and Internet service providers with unrivaled high-speed, resilient and diverse capacity into, within and out of Africa. Customers benefit from the end-to-end managed, international connectivity services, delivered via strategic investments in multiple submarine networks to connect Africa to the world.





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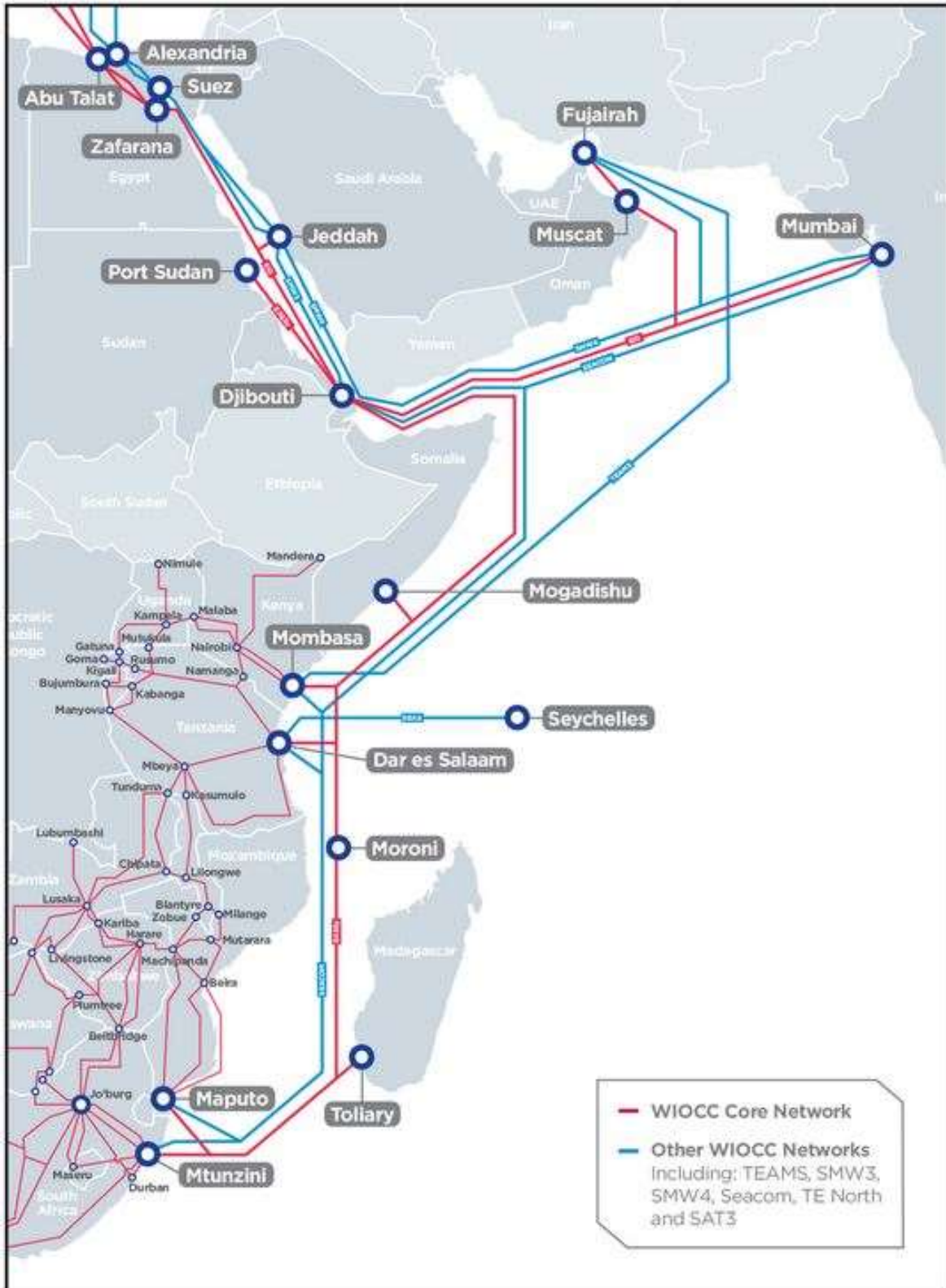
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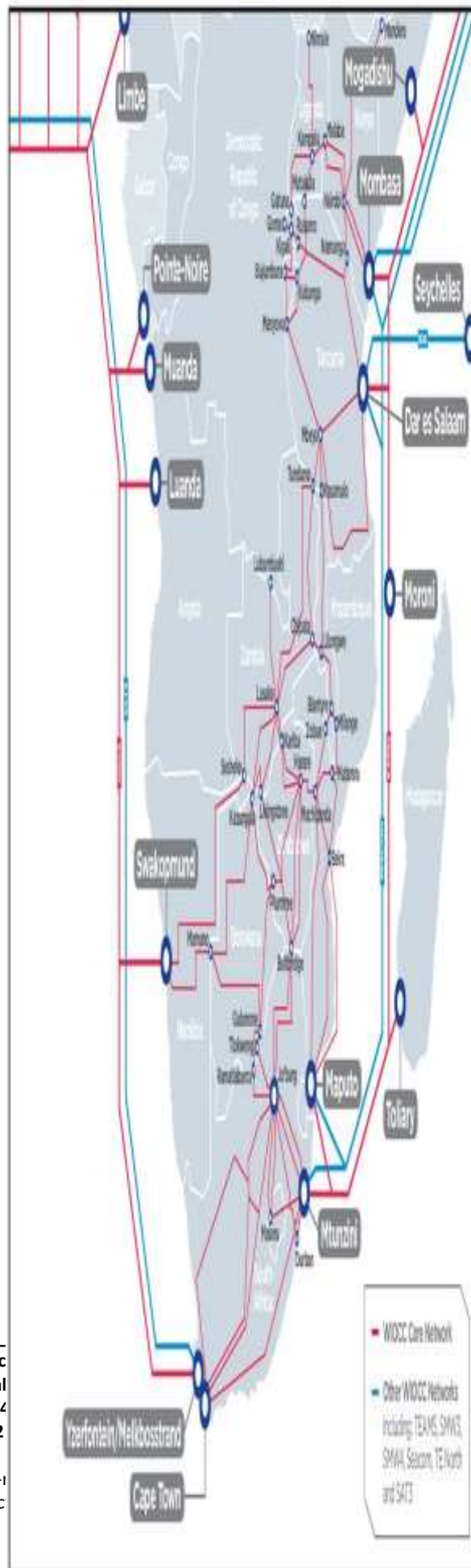
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9. Construction, Exploitation and Maintenance of the NEAR Cable by Safari Cable Company:

1. Project management and implementation:

- a. Financial
- b. Technical
- c. Product procurement

2. Operational Management:

- a. Sales and Marketing
- b. Product Procurement
- c. Network System Management, Support & Control.
- d. Human Resource Management

3. Internet Exchange Stations in Bosaso, Berbera and Massawa and landstations in Addis Ababa and Juba

4. All over project Management on the development and implementation of the Bosaso, Berbera, Massawa, Addis Ababa and Juba Internet Exchange stations

- a. Financial
- b. Technical



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5. Operational Management:

- a. Sales and Marketing
- b. Product Procurement
- c. Network System Management, Support and Control
- d. Human Resource Management
- e. Technical and Commercial Training

10. Organization NEAR

Trough a management committee, Safari Cable Company runs the exploitation, management and maintenance of this NEAR Cable System.

NEAR – CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE, C&MA PHASE



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11. Implementation of NEAR Cable Project by Alcatel-Lucent S.A.:

The project has been subcontracted to Alcatel Lucent Submarine Networks France (ALSN). ALSN has also implemented the EASSY Cable system and almost all of the undersea submarine Cable systems around Africa. Famous names from the past like AT&T, founded by Alexander Graham Bell, Western Electric, in the past the largest electrical manufacturing company in the USA and CGE, a leader in digital communications and founder of the high speed train, were all part of Alcatel-Lucent S.A.

Core Networking segment includes three business divisions: IP Routing, IP Transport and IP Platforms. Access segment includes 4 business divisions: Wireless, Fixed Access, Licensing and Managed Services.

To provide protection in shallow waters, where necessary, specific types of undersea armoured cables will be either buried in the seabed or laid in the deep seas. This is necessary to prevent the cable being damaged by shipping traffic, fishing and other man-made hazards as well as potential damage caused by seabed conditions.

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