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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO9842116A1] In making a long distance telephone call to a called party (14), a calling party (10) has the option of a time advice service. The time advice service is provided from an international switch (22) which can access a service control point (24) having an associated look-up table (26), speech recognition equipment (28), a tone receiver (30) and clock and recorded announcement equipment (32). At the commencement of the call, the calling party (10) indicates, for example, by dialling a predetermined code or speaking a predetermined command, that the time advice service is required. The calling party then dials all or part of the telephone number of the dialled party and the calling party is then advised of the time and location of the called party. The calling party then has an opportunity to provide confirmation that the calling party wishes to be connected to the called party. The calling party may provide such confirmation, for example, by dialling the remainder of the telephone number of the called party or by holding without hanging up. No attempt is made to establish a connection to the called party while waiting for such confirmation. If the calling party provides such confirmation, then a connection is established to the called party.

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