Communications

Telephone system: 822,000 telephones; excellent domestic and

international service in the north, sparse in the south

local: NA

intercity: 12 domestic satellite links; 20 additional satellite links are

planned

international: 5 submarine cables; microwave radio relay to Italy, France, Spain, Morocco, and Tunisia; coaxial cable to Morocco and Tunisia; 2 INTELSAT (1 Atlantic Ocean and 1 Indian Ocean),

1 Intersputnik, 1 ARABSAT earth station

Radio:

broadcast stations: AM 26, FM 0, shortwave 0

radios: 5.2 million

Television:

broadcast stations: 18 televisions: 1.6 million