

## How long we have before TBL returns

P1: This call may be monitored for quality and training purposes.

P1: Hi, thank you for calling us. We have - how many?

P2: XX MINUTES!

P1: xx minutes until Tim is back from baking.

## Who we are & universe background

P1: As you may have gathered, we are Consignia. Have you heard of Consignia?

P1: RESPOND (yes = please tell us what you know? blahblahblah = ah yes, this is what the public were led to believe. There is more to us than you know...) (no = Not many people have...)

P2: Consignia was, at its height, a key part of interdimensional communication infrastructure within the Royal Mail.

P1: We were set up in 2000, following an unidentified communication outlet - or UCO - in 1999 that was received by Royal Mail. This UCO was not received from space, but another dimension. It changed our understanding of space and time, and hinted that interdimensional communication was, in fact, a true possibility.

P2: So, Royal Mail established Consignia with the aim to uncover and install interdimensional telecommunication systems.

P3: Just imagine - sending a communication to another you from another dimension! Our work would rewrite history and change the course of communication forever...

P2: But, our research advances were limited - no further UCOs were received and in 2006, Royal Mail dismantled our team and relegated Consignia to the basement; only one of us remained to manage the now irrelevant pet project.

P1: Then, ten years ago, a UCO with the exact same interdimensional footprint was identified. I rallied my former colleagues and a band of volunteers formed.

P3: Of course, we came back right away. This work was and remains vital.

P2: Now, the transmission has appeared sporadically over time and thanks to our fastidious work, we have been successful in identifying it.

P1: It is emitted from the fax before you.

P3: It has unprecedented ability to open rifts in the space / time continuum.

## Mission statement

P2: What do you know about Einstein's field equations?

P2: RESPOND (blahblahblah - yes, exactly / well, not quite / you've got the gist) Essentially, they proved that wormholes are a possibility in the Universe.

P3: And the fax machine proves it is possible. You are proof of it. All evening you have engaged with a connection between specific points in time and space across different dimensions.

P2: But interdimensional communication is one thing - interdimensional *travel* is another.

P1: To put it simply, we don't know how or what the consequences may be, so, we have taken it upon ourselves to safeguard our world from these consequences.

P2: Our approach is a key part in preventing unsurmountable and unknown damage. This is why we are grateful for your call.

P1: We have followed Tim's advances over the years and we have reason to believe that his current method of wormhole opening is unstable. His unresearched and unreliable design could put all of humanity and the universe in danger. If he were to successfully open the wormhole, the consequences may be irreversible and... devastating.

P2: It is simple, really. If our two dimensions are recklessly merged as Tim proposes, we literally *do not know what could happen*.

P3: The difficulty is, however, that openings of interdimensional portals are very rare. We have spent decades researching and it is becoming apparent that Tim is getting close to achieving the impossible. We *must* persevere to understand how Tim is doing this. Will you help us?

YES / NO

If no: Please, let us prove to you that your help is the right choice. We are here to help, we want to protect the destruction of our world. We are only here of our own volition. We are doing the right thing. Please let us help you...

If yes: continue

## Fax status report

P1: Thank you. You are making the right choice. We will spend the next few minutes analysing the current state of your fax machine. Please do stop me at any point if you have any questions or concerns. We are here to help. Firstly, could you please let us know if the machine is currently emitting any light?

IF NO

P1: No lights? Are you sure?

P2: No lights? That's weird. I can hear the sounds though. Maybe it's broken?

P3: Is the machine broken?

P1: Okay, we'll need to log this

P3: I'm on it

P2: Let us know if the lights change at all. As you may know, light travels fastest, so monitoring the light is a possible way to predict any changes.

IF YES

P1: That is as expected. What colors do you see in the lights?

IF RED or PURPLE

P1: Red / purple! Alright, thank you

P3: Brilliant, we're on track then

P2: Okay, looking good

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IF OTHER

P1: (alarmed & whispered) What does it mean if it's xx?

P2: I don't know, it's never been xx before

P3: Does this mean it's working?

P1: Is the machine on?

P3: I think it's working! It must be doing something different!

P2: No, it should be red/purple.

P1: Are you sure it's not red/purple?

THEIR ANSWER

P1: Okay. We'll need to log this. Bear with us.

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P1: Do you hear any sounds?

IF YES

P3: What sounds in particular?

IF PREP SOUNDS AS PLANNED

P1: Alright, thank you

P3: As expected. Noted.

P2: Please let us know if these sounds change. While light travels fastest, sound is a much more reliable transmission across dimensions. Any changes will help us to determine portal progress or discrepancies.

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## Location

P1: Okay. Thank you for working with us this far. Can I ask which country you are in right now?

ANSWER

NO MATTER WHAT THEY SAY -> blame P3, internal argument

## Final mission statement

P1: Everybody stop! This is important. You can still help us. As we have no agents in **<country>**, we are relying on you. We must continue our research on wormholes and inter-dimensional travel, but safely. We will ask you to please continue following Tim's instructions.

P2: However, if he asks you to open the wormhole at any point, please abort the operation. There is a lever on your machine. Once unlocked, do not pull it down, but abort the mission by pulling it upwards. We repeat, do not pull it in the downwards direction under any circumstances.

P3: Okay, Tim will be back any moment now. He will begin to set out the steps you will need to take to build, and then open the wormhole. Please be assured, these initial steps are entirely safe, but they are somehow able to fracture the space / time continuum when done correctly. We need to know how. Please keep us on the line while you undertake these steps - we will need to ask questions.

P2: And please, under no circumstances, open the wormhole. We simply do not know what could happen, and we must not put humanity at risk.

P1: Do you have any questions?

## Upon receipt of TBL fax

P1: This will not be easy. We will be logging everything from this point onwards, so please do not worry if we are not as vocal. Know that we will support you every step of the way. What does the fax say?