



## TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

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I ASSENT,

J. HUGGINS,  
*Acting Governor.*  
16th May, 1939.

AN ORDINANCE empowering the Government of the  
Colony to require the production of telegrams.

[18th May, 1939.]

Commencement.

**E**NACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago  
with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council  
thereof.

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Production of  
Telegrams Ordinance, 1939.

2. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires— Interpretation.

“ wireless telegraphy ” includes wireless telephony and any system for the reception as well as the sending of messages or other communications by means of electric, galvanic, or magnetic signals without the aid of any wire connecting the points from and at which the messages or other communications are sent or received ;

“ telegraphy ” means a wire or wires used for the purpose of telegraphic communication and any apparatus connected therewith for the purpose of telegraphic communication, and includes any apparatus for transmitting messages or other communications by means of electric signals ;

“ telegram ” means any message or other communication transmitted or intended for transmission by telegraphy or by wireless telegraphy.

3. (1) Where it appears to the Governor that such a course is expedient in the public interest, he may, by warrant under his hand, require any person who owns or controls any telegraphic cable or wire, or any apparatus for wireless telegraphy, used for the sending or receipt of telegrams to or from any place out of the Colony, to produce to him, or to any person named in the warrant, the originals and transcripts, either of all telegrams, or of telegrams of any specified class or description or of telegrams sent from or addressed to any specified person or place, sent or received to or from any place out of the Colony by means of any such cable, wire, or apparatus, and all other papers relating to any such telegram as aforesaid. Power to require the production of telegrams.

(2) Any person who, on being required to produce any such original or transcript or paper as aforesaid, refuses or neglects to do so shall for each offence be liable on summary conviction before a Magistrate to imprisonment with or without hard labour for a term not exceeding three months and to a fine not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars.

Passed in Council this fifth day of May, in the year  
of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine.

W. E. BOARDMAN,  
*Clerk of the Council.*