

Press release

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### Frequency assignments in Martinique and in Guadeloupe: results of the positioning auctions for 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band and 703 – 723 MHz and 758 – 778 MHz sub-band frequency assignment procedures

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“Positioning” auctions whose purpose was to determine each of the winning candidate’s position in the 703 – 723 MHz and 758 – 778 MHz sub-bands and in the 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Martinique and in Guadeloupe were held on **22 October 2024**.

#### Results of the positioning auctions for 700 MHz band blocks contained in the frequency packages in Martinique and in Guadeloupe

As a reminder: having completed the examination of the applications, the principal auction for the assignment of 700 MHz and 900 MHz band frequency packages in Martinique and in Guadeloupe, which was held on 1 October, made it possible to determine the blocks of frequencies obtained by each of the winning candidates, provided the procedure for awarding spectrum in the 703 – 723 MHz and 758 – 778 MHz sub-bands is brought to completion.

At the outcome of the positioning auctions for 700 MHz band spectrum contained in the 700 MHz and 900 MHz band frequency packages, the results in Martinique are as follows:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Free Caraïbe	Orange	Outremer Telecom	Total
<i>700 MHz band in Martinique</i>					
Positioning in the 703 – 723 MHz and 758 – 778 MHz sub-bands in Martinique, from the bottom up	2	3	4	1	-
Amount due, from the positioning auction	€0	€0	€450,000	€0	€450,000

At the outcome of the positioning auctions for 700 MHz band spectrum contained in the 700 MHz and 900 MHz band frequency packages, the results in Guadeloupe are as follows:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Free Caraïbe	Orange	Outremer Telecom	Total
<i>700 MHz band in Guadeloupe</i>					
Positioning in the 703 – 723 MHz and 758 – 778 MHz sub-bands in Guadeloupe, from the bottom up	1	3	2	4	-
Amount due, from the positioning auction	€0	€16	€0	€280,476	€280,492

The purpose of the next stage in the procedure will be to determine the position of the frequencies that the winning candidates obtained in the 900 MHz band following the principal auctions for 700 MHz and 900 MHz band frequency packages in Martinique and in Guadeloupe.

### Results of the positioning auctions for 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band spectrum in Martinique and in Guadeloupe

As a reminder: having completed the examination of the applications for 50 MHz blocks in the 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Martinique and in Guadeloupe in exchange for a set of commitments, the main auctions for the assignment of all of the remaining 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band spectrum (by blocks of 10 MHz) in these two territories were held on 1 October, and made it possible to determine the amount of spectrum obtained by each of the winning candidates, provided this frequency assignment procedure is brought to completion.

At the outcome of the positioning auctions for 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band frequencies, the results in Martinique are as follows:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Free Caraïbe	Orange	Outremer Telecom	Total
<b>3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Martinique</b>					
Positioning in the 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Martinique, from the bottom up	4	1	2	3	-
Amount due, from the positioning auction	€0	€0	€0	€0	€0

At the outcome of the positioning auctions for 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band frequencies, the results in Guadeloupe are as follows:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Free Caraïbe	Orange	Outremer Telecom	Total
<b>3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Guadeloupe</b>					
Positioning in the 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Guadeloupe, from the bottom up	4	1	2	3	-
Amount due, from the positioning auction	€0	€0	€0	€0	€0

The final results of the assignment procedures for 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band spectrum in Martinique and in Guadeloupe are as follows:

3420 MHz	3800 MHz
Free Caraïbe 100 MHz	Orange 100 MHz
Outremer Telecom 100 MHz	Digicel AFG 80 MHz

Arrangement of the **3.4 – 3.8 GHz** band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique

The following table recaps the 3.4 – 3.8 GHz band spectrum obtained by each candidate in Guadeloupe and in Martinique through these frequency assignment procedures, along with the amounts that each will be required to pay as a result:

Candidate	Digicel AFG	Free Caraïbe	Orange	Outremer Telecom	Total
<b>3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Guadeloupe</b>					
Frequencies	3720 – 3800 MHz	3420 – 3520 MHz	3520 – 3620 MHz	3620 – 3720 MHz	-
Quantity of frequencies	80 MHz	100 MHz	100 MHz	100 MHz	380 MHz
Amount due	€0	€16,000	€16,000	€16,000	€48,000
<b>3.4 – 3.8 GHz band in Martinique</b>					
Frequencies	3720 – 3800 MHz	3420 – 3520 MHz	3520 – 3620 MHz	3620 – 3720 MHz	-
Quantity of frequencies	80 MHz	100 MHz	100 MHz	100 MHz	380 MHz
Amount due	€0	€16,000	€16,000	€16,000	€48,000

### **Associated documents**

- [Provisional timetable and practical information](#)

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