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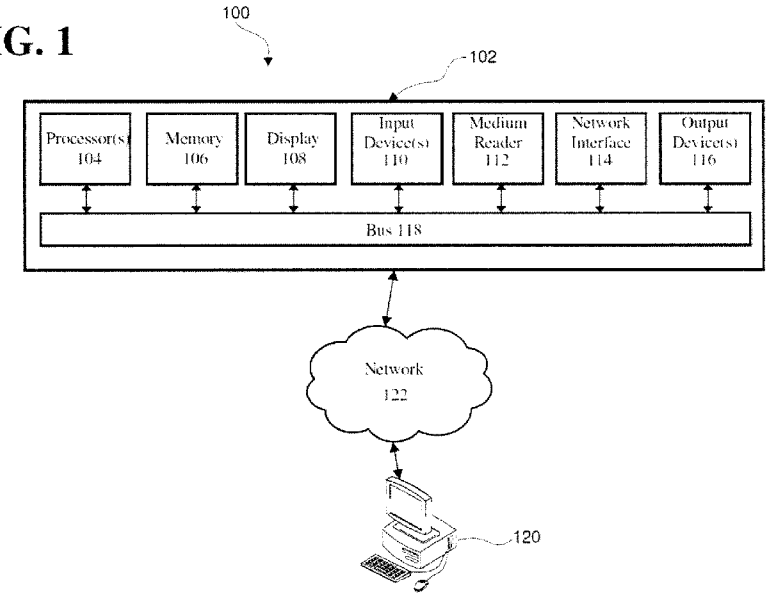
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FIG. 1



(57) Abstract: A system and method for authenticating an identity of an object being tracked while traversing a supply chain, which includes an interface communicating with object custodians in the supply chain using a standard protocol in which event tracking information for the object is stored when any one of the object custodians reports a predefined event for the object. The system and method also include a repository storing authentication data to authenticate the event tracking information for the object, the event tracking information including a first object identifier and a second object identifier, the second object identifier being independently authenticated from the first object identifier.

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