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(54) Title: PROCESSOR ASSIST FACILITY

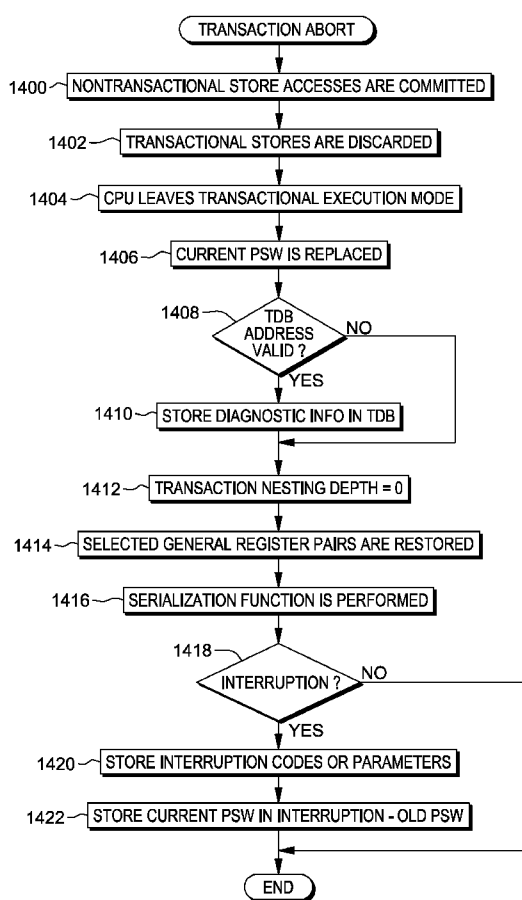


FIG. 14

(57) Abstract: An operation is provided to signal a processor that action is to be taken to facilitate execution of a transaction that has aborted one or more times. The operation is specified within an instruction or is itself an instruction. The instruction is executed based on detecting an abort of the transactions, and includes a field indicating how many times the transaction has aborted. The processor uses this information to determine what action is to be taken.



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