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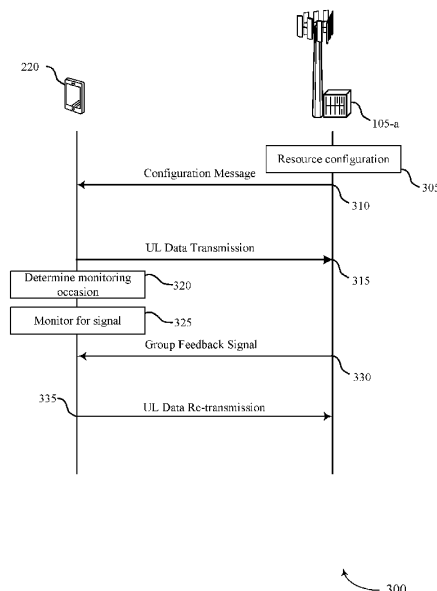


FIG. 3

(57) Abstract: A wireless communications system may support a large number of user equipment (UEs) and a base station may transmit resource configuration information to a group of UEs, in which the configuration information identifies the group of UEs. In some cases, the base station may receive a data transmission from a UE of the UE group that the base station cannot decode. The base station may then transmit a group-common feedback signal to the UE group. Once the transmitting UE of the UE group receives the group-common signal, the UE may re-transmit the data to the base station. By sending a group-common feedback signal, the base station may conserve resources, improve reliability and increase successful uplink transmissions from UEs.

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