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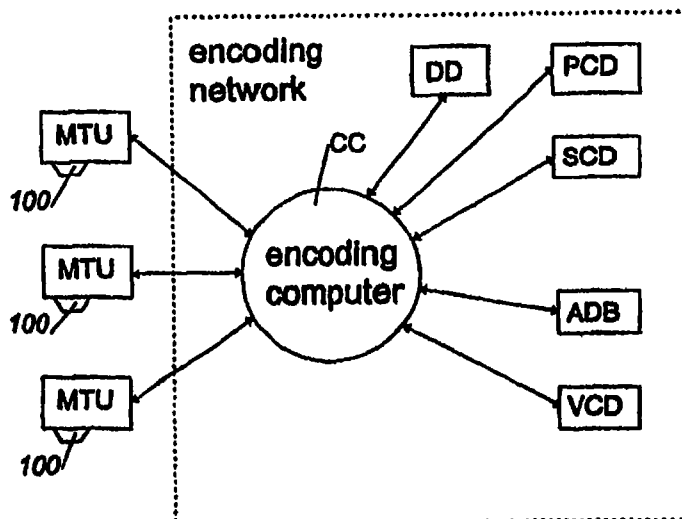


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(54) Title: METHOD AND DEVICES FOR PRINTING A FRANKING MARK ON A DOCUMENT

(57) Abstract

A method and a system for checking a franking mark (28), comprising at least an identification code and a unique bit string, said system comprising means for: a) reading the franking mark (28), b) decoding the franking mark (28), c) checking whether the identification code is correct by comparing it to data stored in a memory (40), d) checking whether the unique bit string is valid by comparing it to data stored in said memory (40).



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