CLAIMS

[Claim 1] A system for facilitating security management of premises comprising:

a first server having a processor operable to:

store at least one invitation that is sent from a device of at least one resident of the premises to a device of at least one visitor;

receive, from a device of a visitor in a vehicle at an entrance of the premises, information relating to an invitation;

verify if the received invitation information corresponds to one of the stored at least one invitation;

obtain a license plate number of the vehicle; and

if the received invitation information corresponds to one of the stored at least one invitation, generates a new visitation record that includes information obtained from the one of the stored at least one invitation and the license plate number and raises a barrier to allow the vehicle and the visitor into the premises.

[Claim 2] The system according to claim 1, wherein the processor is further operable to:

obtain information of the vehicle; and

determine using the information obtained from the vehicle if the vehicle is a private vehicle;

wherein the processor is operable to receive, from the visitor's device, information relating to the invitation; and verify if the received invitation information corresponds to one of the stored at least one invitation only when the vehicle is determined to be a private vehicle.

[Claim 3] The system according to claim 2, wherein the information of the vehicle comprises one of the license plate number and an image of the vehicle.

[Claim 4] The system according to claim 3, wherein the processor is operable to check with a vehicle registry system using the license plate number to determine if the vehicle is a private vehicle.

[Claim 5] The system according to claim 3, wherein the processor is further operable to process the image of the vehicle to determine if the image includes one of an object, a sticker and a sign indicating that the vehicle is a private hire vehicle and therefore not a private vehicle.

[Claim 6] The system according to claim 1, wherein if the received invitation information does not correspond to any one of the stored at least one invitation, the processor is operable to contact an authorised person to verify if the visitor has been invited to come to the premises to visit a resident there.

[Claim 7] The system according to claim 6, wherein the system further comprises a main server having records of past visitors stored thereon and the processor is further operable to create a record of the visitor if the visitor is verified to have been an invited visitor.

[Claim 8] The system according to claim 1, wherein the processor is operable to receive the at least one invitation from the main server.

[Claim 9] The system according to claim 8, wherein the main server receives the at least one invitation from the resident’s device when the resident’s device sends the at least one invitation to the visitor’s device.

[Claim 10] The system according to claim 9, wherein the main server contacts the visitor to confirm an identity of the visitor and update the at least one invitation if required.

[Claim 11] The system according to Claim 9, wherein the first server is located at a first premises, and the system further comprises a second server located in at least one second premises that is in data communication with the main server.

[Claim 12] The system according to Claim 1, wherein the system further includes an input module in data communication with the first server via which the first server obtains the license plate number of the vehicle.

[Claim 13] The system according to Claim 1, wherein the information relating to the invitation is contained in one of a QR code, a barcode, a data matrix, a maxicode and a biometric identifier data.

[Claim 14] A method for facilitating security management of premises comprising:

storing at least one invitation that is sent from a device of at least one resident of the premises to a device of at least one visitor;

receiving, from a device of a visitor in a vehicle at an entrance of the premises, information relating to an invitation;

verifying if the received invitation information corresponds to one of the stored at least one invitation;

obtaining a license plate number of the vehicle; and

if the received invitation information corresponds to one of the stored at least one invitation, generating a new visitation record that includes information obtained from the one of the stored at least one invitation and the license plate number and raising a barrier to allow the vehicle and the visitor into the premises.