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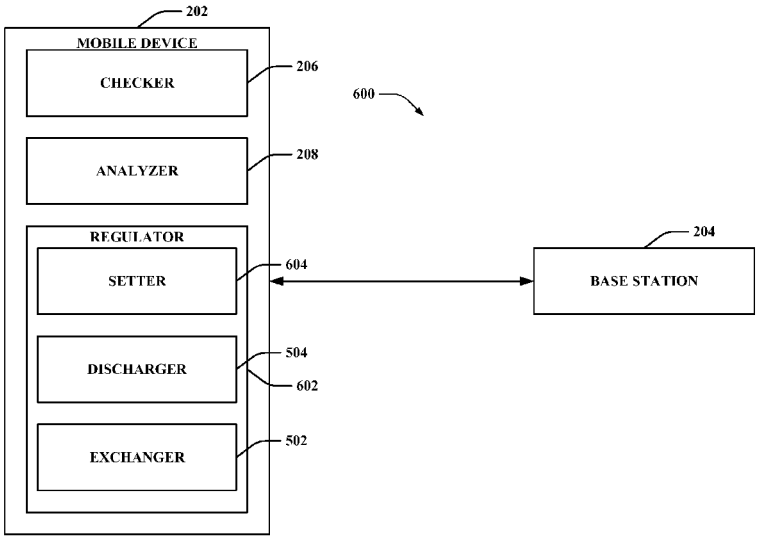


FIG. 6

(57) Abstract: A base station can employ a shared resource, such as a control channel, for communication with a mobile device. The mobile device can be granted the exclusive access to the shared resource for a limited time. The exclusive access can be such that there is not a limit in message size that can be transferred across the shared resource. To improve operation, the exclusive grant can be applied until it is determined that appropriate packets are transferred.

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