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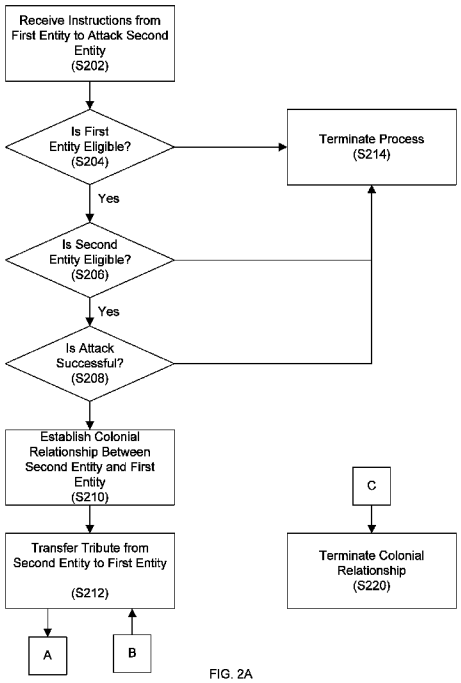


FIG. 2A

(57) **Abstract**: One aspect of the invention provides a method for implementing a colonial relationship in a multiplayer online game. The method includes: receiving instructions from a first entity to attack a second entity; determining whether the first entity's attack is successful; and if the first entity's attack is successful, establishing a colonial relationship between the second entity and the first entity, wherein a portion of production of the second entity is transferred to the first entity.

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