CLAIMS

1. A massaging apparatus for massaging massage target areas of user's body designed as a massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment, which can be operated by a user-owned mobile electronic information equipment, the massaging apparatus being designed to permit display of menu items for operation of a massaging apparatus main body that massages massage target areas of user's body and/or menu items for operation of an additional mechanism provided in the massaging apparatus main body on a display section of a mobile electronic information equipment owned by a user, the massaging apparatus having an operation section, mounted in the massaging apparatus main body, for permitting manipulation of the display section of the mobile electronic information equipment from a remote location.

2. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 1,

wherein a massaging mechanism is provided to massage the massage target areas of user's body,

and wherein the massaging mechanism can be operated by the mobile electronic information equipment.

3. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 1,

wherein a position-changing mechanism is provided to change a position of the massaging apparatus,

and wherein the position-changing mechanism can be operated by the mobile electronic information equipment.

4. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic

information equipment according to claim 1,

wherein an additional mechanism is provided to enhance an effect of massage treatment given to a user,

and wherein the additional mechanism can be operated by the mobile electronic information equipment.

5. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to any one of claims 2 to 4,

wherein, for operation of at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, the additional mechanism, and a control mechanism, changing of operation-related display items is effected by the mobile electronic information equipment.

6. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 5,

wherein a voice-recognition system available in the mobile electronic information equipment is utilized to operate at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, the additional mechanism, and the control mechanism, or to effect changing of operation -related display items.

7. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 5,

wherein a stress sensor is provided to detect user’s stress level,

wherein an output from the stress sensor is transferred to the mobile electronic information equipment to enable the mobile electronic information equipment to estimate user’s physical condition or psychological condition on the basis of a detected-value output from the stress sensor that has been transferred from the massaging apparatus,

and wherein, in accordance with the estimated user's physical condition or psychological condition, at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, and the additional mechanism are actuated, or changing of operation-related display items is effected under the control of the mobile electronic information equipment.

8. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 5,

wherein a stress sensor available in the mobile electronic information equipment is used to detect user's stress level,

wherein user's physical condition or psychological condition is estimated on the basis of a value detected by the stress sensor by the mobile electronic information equipment,

and wherein, in accordance with the estimated user's physical condition or psychological condition, at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, and the additional mechanism are actuated, or changing of operation- related display items is effected under the control of the mobile electronic information equipment.

9. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 5,

wherein, in accordance with user's personal information stored in the mobile electronic information equipment, at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, and the additional mechanism are actuated, or changing of operation-related display items is effected under the control of the mobile electronic information equipment.

10. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic

information equipment according to claim 5,

wherein, on the basis of external information obtained by the mobile electronic information equipment via internet, at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, and the additional mechanism are actuated, or changing of operation-related display items is effected under the control of the mobile electronic information equipment.

11. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 10, wherein weather information including one of weather, temperature, and humidity as of now is adopted as the external information available via internet.

12. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 5,

wherein, during the time at least one or more mechanisms selected from among the massaging mechanism, the position-changing mechanism, the additional mechanism, and the control mechanism are being operated by the mobile electronic information equipment, an operation terminal mounted in a main body of the massaging apparatus is limited in its control function.

13. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 12,

wherein, even under conditions where the operation terminal mounted in the main body of the massaging apparatus is limited in its control function, some actions of the massaging mechanism and/or the position-changing mechanism can be effected under the control of the operation terminal.

14. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic

information equipment according to claim 1,
wherein the main body of the massaging apparatus is provided with a placement area where the mobile electronic information equipment can be placed.

15. The massaging apparatus operable by a mobile electronic information equipment according to claim 14,

wherein the placement area is disposed within a reach of the hand of a user sitting in the massaging apparatus.

16. A massaging apparatus that is designed to permit display of menu items for operation of a massaging apparatus main body that massages massage target areas of user's body and/or menu items for operation of an additional mechanism provided in the massaging apparatus main body on a display section of a mobile electronic information equipment owned by a user, and has an operation section, mounted in the massaging apparatus main body, for permitting manipulation of the display section of the mobile electronic information equipment from a remote location.

17. The massaging apparatus according to claim 16, wherein there is provided a mounting body that accommodates the mobile electronic information equipment, is worn on user's head, and allows a user to view a display section of the accommodated mobile electronic information equipment with his or her hands free.

18. The massaging apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the massaging apparatus main body includes a seat portion in which a user sits when taking massage, and armrest portions disposed one on each side of the seat portion,

and wherein the operation section is disposed on the armrest portion.

19. The massaging apparatus according to claim 18, wherein the operation section has a system capable of effecting operation based

on a "stop" menu item to stop operation of the massaging apparatus main body and/or the additional mechanism.

20. The massaging apparatus according to claim 18, wherein the operation section has a system capable of effecting operation based on a "forward-looking" menu item to display, on the display section, an image captured by a camera disposed at a back side of the mobile electronic information equipment.

21. The massaging apparatus according to claim 19, wherein an operation button is provided in the operation section to effect direct operation based on the "stop" menu item or the "forward-looking" menu item.

22. The massaging apparatus according to claim 18, wherein, under conditions where an indication of an incoming call is displayable on the display section of the mobile electronic information equipment, an incoming call can be handled by operating the operation section disposed on the armrest portion.