

# COMMUNICATION METHOD, COMMUNICATION APPARATUS, AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

## ABSTRACT

This application provides a communication method, a communication apparatus, and a  
5 communication system. In the method, when a relay terminal device is configured for a remote  
terminal device, the remote terminal device receives information about the relay terminal device  
through an interface between the remote terminal device and an access network device, and then  
the remote terminal device sends indication information to the relay terminal device, where the  
indication information can trigger the relay terminal device to enter an RRC connected state, so  
10 that the relay terminal device can provide a relay service for the remote terminal device, thereby  
ensuring that a plurality of paths between the remote terminal device and the access network device  
are successfully configured for the remote terminal device. This can improve reliability of  
communication between the remote terminal device and the access network device, and improve  
quality of service and user experience.

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FIG. 6(a)