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(57) Abstract <p>A record carrier (1) has a secure first data storage means (2) storing a plurality of different identification numbers (12, 13, 14) in a sequence and a further data storage means (3) storing a further number. The identification numbers comprise successive integers, and the further number comprises the least significant digit of one of the said integers. The secure data storage means preferably comprises permanently structured magnetic tape. The further number is derivable in a predetermined way from only one of the identification numbers, thus identifying uniquely which one of the identification numbers is characteristic of the record carrier.</p>		
<p>The diagram shows a rectangular record carrier (1) divided into two main horizontal sections. The top section (2) contains a sequence of five identification numbers: 12, 11, 13, 11, and 14. The bottom section (3) contains a further number, 16. Dimension 17 indicates the width of the first identification number (12), and dimension 18 indicates the total width of the sequence of identification numbers (12, 11, 13, 11, 14).</p>		