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(54) Title: CONTROL STICK WITH ENABLING AND DISABLING FUNCTIONALITY

(57) Abstract: A control stick (12) includes a handle (16) coupled to a base (18), the handle (16) pivots relative to the base (18), and a controller system (20) configured to detect an angle and a direction of the handle (16) relative to a neutral position and provide data to a controlled device (14) based on the angle and the direction, wherein the controller system (20) includes a transmitter. The control stick (12) also includes an interactive element (22) coupled to the handle (16) that includes at least three operational configurations. In a first operational configuration (60), the interactive element (22) is partially toggled and enables the data to be transmitted via the transmitter. In a second operational configuration (62), the interactive element (22) is toggled shut and blocks the data from being transmitted from the transmitter or sends a default command. In a third operational configuration (64), the interactive element (22) is toggled open and blocks the data from being transmitted from the transmitter or sends the default command.

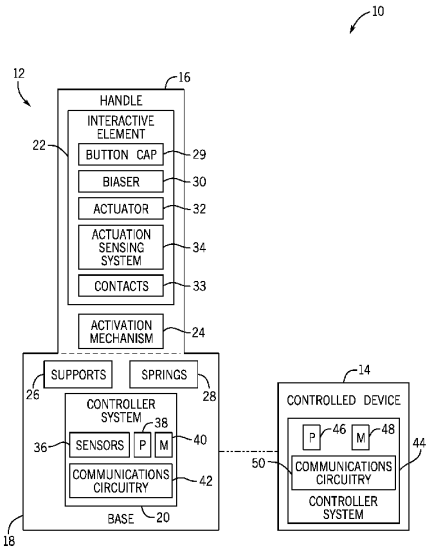


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