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(57) Abstract

The present invention provides a method of providing secure communication of digital data between devices, said method comprising the steps of communicating from one device an identifier of a device to an independent security module and performing device validation depending on the identity of the received identifier.



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