

ABSTRACT

A portable telephone shortens a silent period and ultimately avoids a silent condition during a handover operation by issuing a link channel setup request to a new base station (S303), judging whether time slots of a communication channel assigned by the new base station are appropriate, that is, whether an operation for connecting the portable telephone to the new base station can be performed without interrupting conversation via an original base station (S306), and continuing the handover operation only if the connecting operation can be performed in combination with the conversation via the original base station.



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