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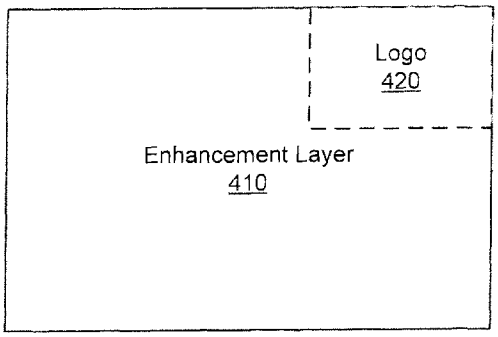
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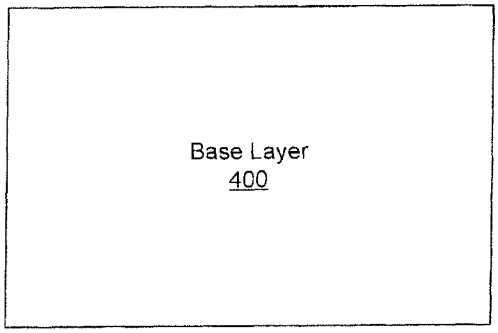
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(54) Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING PICTURE OUTPUT INDICATIONS IN VIDEO CODING




(57) Abstract: An explicit signaling element for controlling decoded picture output and applications when picture output is not desired. A signal element, such as a syntax element in a coded video bitstream, is used to indicate (1) whether a certain decoded picture is output; (2) whether a certain set of pictures are output, wherein the set of pictures may be explicitly signaled or implicitly derived; or (3) whether a certain portion of a picture is output. The signal element may be a part of the coded picture or access unit that it is associated with, or it may reside in a separate syntax structure from the coded picture or access unit, such as a sequence parameter set. The signal element can be used both by an encoder and a decoder in a video coding system, as well as a processing unit that produces a subset of a bitstream as output.

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