

COMMUNICATION METHOD, APPARATUS, AND SYSTEM

ABSTRACT

This application discloses a communication method, apparatus, and system. That the method is performed by a remote terminal is used as an example, and the method includes: The remote
5 terminal receives first policy information from a policy control function network element, where the first policy information includes a relay mode corresponding to a first application of the remote terminal; and the remote terminal determines a first relay mode based on the first policy information, and transmits data of the first application in the first relay mode. In the method, in the case of coexistence of a layer-2 relay mode and a layer-3 relay mode, relay modes selected by
10 the remote terminal for different applications are controlled or recommended based on the first policy information delivered by the policy control function network element, and the remote terminal selects the relay modes for indirect communication. In this way, requirements of different applications are met, and collaboration between different relay modes is enabled.

15 FIG. 5