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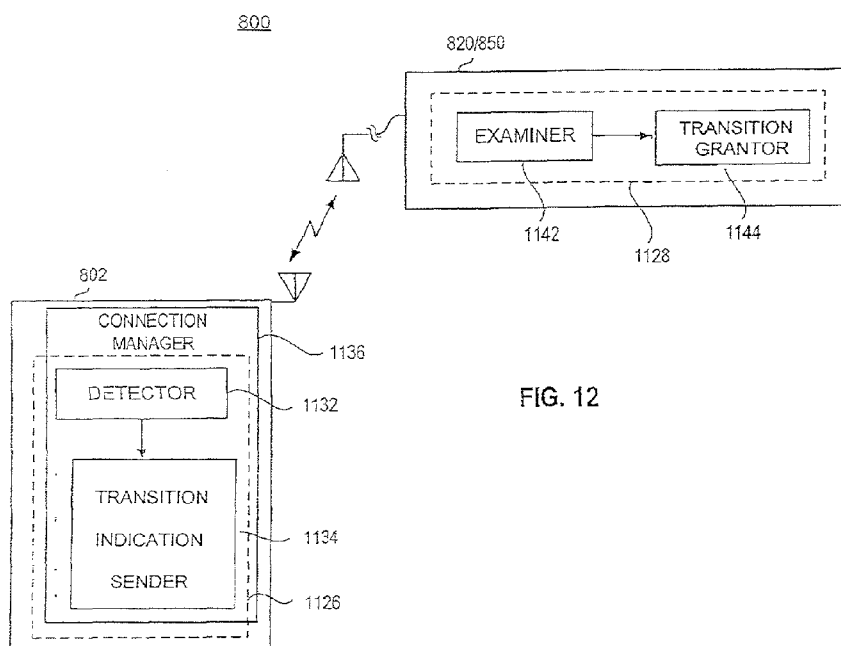


FIG. 12

(57) Abstract: A user equipment implements a method of processing indication messages, such as SCRI (signalling connection release indication) messages. The use equipment (UE) maintains a count of how many indication messages with a cause set have been sent by the UE while in at least one radio resource control (RRC) state. In some cases, the count is reset responsive to transmitting signalling by the UE on radio bearer 3 or upward. In some cases, the count is reset responsive to entering RRC connected mode.