

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

**DIGITAL WORK PROTECTION SYSTEM, RECORD/PLAYBACK DEVICE,
RECORDING MEDIUM DEVICE, AND MODEL CHANGE DEVICE**

Disclosed is a system composed of a main device and a recording medium device. The main device includes: a reception
5 unit that receives a digital work from an external distribution server; an internal storage area for storing the digital work; a playback unit that plays back the digital work; a unique information storage area for storing information that is unique to the main device; an encryption unit that encrypts the digital
10 work using the unique information; a decryption unit that decrypts, using the unique information, the encrypted digital work having been read from the recording medium device; a write unit that writes the encrypted digital work into the recording medium device which is portable; and a read unit that reads the
15 encrypted digital work from the recording medium device.



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