ABSTRACT

AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONFIGURING A COMPUTER SYSTEM AND A MODEM FOR USE IN A PARTICULAR COUNTRY

An apparatus and method for configuring a computer system and a modem for use in multiple countries or with a plurality of different types of telephone networks is disclosed. The invention comprises: 1) a computer including a computer memory, a list of different types of telephone networks being stored in the computer memory; 2) a modem coupled to the computer, the modem including modem control logic and a modem memory coupled to the modem control logic, the modem memory containing a plurality of profiles, each profile of the plurality of profiles having information specific to a corresponding type of telephone network of the plurality of different types of telephone networks; and 3) processing logic operably disposed in the computer memory, the processing logic including: (a) logic for querying the modem for a list of profiles stored in the modem memory; (b) logic for comparing the list of different types of telephone networks from the computer memory with the list of profiles from the modem memory; and (c) logic for displaying a selection menu on the computer; the selection menu including telephone network types common to both the list of different types of telephone networks from the computer memory and the list of profiles from the modem memory. The invention includes logic for accepting a selection of a particular telephone network type from the selection menu; and logic for commanding the modem to configure itself for a telephone network type corresponding to the selection of a particular telephone network type.

(Figure 2)