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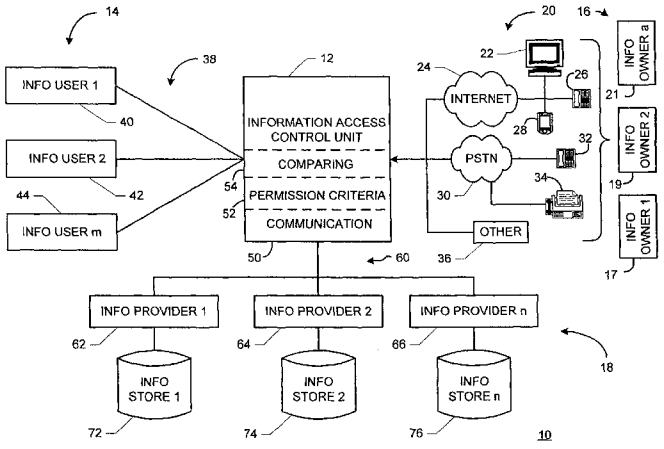
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(57) Abstract: A system for administering permission for use of specified information owned by an information owner (17, 19, 21) in a use circumstance by an information user (40, 42, 44) includes: (a) an information control unit (12) for comparing an information use permission request with information use directions for effecting the administering; the information use permission request identifying at least the information and the use circumstance; the information use directions including criteria prescribing permitted use of the information; (b) a communication facility (20) coupled with the information control unit (12) for effecting communication to receive the information use permission request from the information user (40, 42, 44); the information control unit (12) communicating a permitting indicator to the information user (40, 42, 44) when the use circumstance conforms with the information use directions for the information; and (c) an information storage unit (72, 74, 76) coupled with at least one of the information control unit (12) ( ) and the communication facility (20) for storing the information use directions.

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