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		Peter C. English	3993		
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1. 🛚	Prosecution on the merits is (or remains) closed in this <i>ex parte</i> reexamination proceeding. This proceeding is subject to reopening at the initiative of the Office or upon petition. <i>Cf.</i> 37 CFR 1.313(a). A Certificate will be issued in view of (a) Patent owner's communication(s) filed: <i>09 August 2007</i> . (b) Patent owner's late response filed: (c) Patent owner's failure to file an appropriate response to the Office action mailed: (d) Patent owner's failure to timely file an Appeal Brief (37 CFR 41.31). (e) Other: Status of <i>Ex Parte</i> Reexamination: (f) Change in the Specification:				
	(1) Patent claim(s) confirmed: <u>1-43</u> . (2) Patent claim(s) amended (including depend (3) Patent claim(s) cancelled: (4) Newly presented claim(s) patentable: <u>44-67</u> (5) Newly presented cancelled claims:	, ,,			
2. 🛚	the the attached statement of reasons for patentability and/or confirmation. Any comments considered cessary by patent owner regarding reasons for patentability and/or confirmation must be submitted promptly avoid processing delays. Such submission(s) should be labeled: "Comments On Statement of Reasons for tentability and/or Confirmation."				
3. 🔲	Note attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED (PTO-892).				
4. 🔲	Note attached LIST OF REFERENCES CITED (PTO/SB/08).				
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6. 🗌	Acknowledgment is made of the priority claim under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some* c) None of the certified copies have been received. not been received. been filed in Application No. been filed in reexamination Control No. been received by the International Bureau in PCT Application No. * Certified copies not received: **Certified copies not received:				
7. 🛛	Note attached Examiner's Amendment.				
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

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1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. The changes made by this examiner's amendment will be reflected in the reexamination certificate to issue in due course.

- 2. The paragraph at column 6, lines 23-26 of the specification has been amended as follows:

 Since [DataGlyph] <u>DataGlyphTM</u> elements represent a large amount of information in a small amount of space, the DAT scanner [100] <u>202</u> will require a small amount of time to input a large amount of information.
- 3. The above examiner's amendment corrects an informality in patent owner's amendment filed on 09 August 2007. Specifically, the amendment is placed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.530(f), which requires that matter to be omitted must be enclosed in brackets (not struck through).

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PATENTABILITY AND/OR CONFIRMATION

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for patentability and/or confirmation of the claims found patentable in this reexamination proceeding:

Claim 1 of Patent No. 6,032,137 is patentable because the cited prior art patents and printed publications fail to teach a system, as defined in claim 1, wherein one or more remote image capturing subsystems provide encrypted subsystem identification information to a central data processing subsystem.

Claims 2-25 and 44-50 are patentable because of their dependency from claim 1.

Claim 26 of Patent No. 6,032,137 is patentable because the cited prior art patents and printed publications fail to teach a method, as defined in claim 26, including capturing an image of paper transaction data at one or more remote locations, encrypting information identifying a subsystem (i.e., at the remote location) along with the transaction data, and collecting and processing the transaction data at a central location.

Claims 27-41 and 51-55 are patentable because of their dependency from claim 26.

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Claim 42 of Patent No. 6,032,137 is patentable because the cited prior art patents and printed publications fail to teach a system, as defined in claim 42, wherein one or more remote image capturing subsystems provide encrypted subsystem identification information to a central data processing subsystem.

Claims 56-62 are patentable because of their dependency from claim 42.

Claim 43 of Patent No. 6,032,137 is patentable because the cited prior art patents and printed publications fail to teach a method, as defined in claim 43, including capturing an image of paper transaction data from a check at one or more remote locations, encrypting information identifying a subsystem (i.e., at the remote location) along with the transaction data, and collecting and processing the transaction data at a central location.

Claims 63-67 are patentable because of their dependency from claim 43.

5. Any comments considered necessary by PATENT OWNER regarding the above statement must be submitted promptly to avoid processing delays. Such submission by the patent owner should be labeled: "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Patentability and/or Confirmation" and will be placed in the reexamination file.

Drawings

6. The corrected formal drawing sheets filed on 09 August 2007 have been approved by the examiner.

Remarks

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- 8. Any document filed by either the patent owner or third party requester *must be served* on the other party (or parties in a merged proceeding) in the reexamination proceeding in the manner provided by 37 CFR 1.248. See 37 CFR 1.550(f) and MPEP 2266.03.
- 9. 37 CFR 1.33(c) has been revised to provide that the patent owner's correspondence address for all communications in an *ex parte* reexamination or an *inter partes* reexamination is designated as the correspondence address of the patent. See *Revisions and Technical Corrections* Affecting Requirements for Ex Parte and Inter Partes Reexamination, 72 FR 18892 (April 16, 2007)(Final Rule).

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10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Reexamination Examiner should be directed to Peter English whose telephone number is 571-272-6671. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday (7:00 AM - 5:00 PM). If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andres Kashnikow, can be reached at 571-272-4361.

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