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**Transmittal of Communication to Third Party Requester
Inter Partes Reexamination**

REEXAMINATION CONTROL NUMBER 95/001,697 + 95/001,714

PATENT NUMBER 7,490,151.

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OFFICE ACTION IN INTER PARTES REEXAMINATION	Control No.	Patent Under Reexamination
	95/001,697 + 95/001,714	MUNGER ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Michael J. Yigdall	3992

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PART I. THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION:

1. Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892
2. Information Disclosure Citation, PTO/SB/08
3. _____

PART II. SUMMARY OF ACTION:

- 1a. Claims 1-16 are subject to reexamination.
- 1b. Claims _____ are not subject to reexamination.
2. Claims _____ have been canceled.
3. Claims _____ are confirmed. [Unamended patent claims]
4. Claims _____ are patentable. [Amended or new claims]
5. Claims 1-16 are rejected.
6. Claims _____ are objected to.
7. The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable are not acceptable.
8. The drawing correction request filed on _____ is: approved. disapproved.
9. Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d). The certified copy has:
 - been received. not been received. been filed in Application/Control No _____.
10. Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. A first request for *inter partes* reexamination of claims 1-16 of U.S. Patent No. 7,490,151 (“the ‘151 patent”) was filed on July 25, 2011 and assigned Control No. 95/001,697 (“the ‘1697 proceeding”). An order granting the request was mailed on October 21, 2011.

A second request for *inter partes* reexamination of claims 1-16 of the ‘151 patent was filed on August 16, 2011 and assigned Control No. 95/001,714 (“the ‘1714 proceeding”). An order granting the request was mailed on October 31, 2011.

A decision merging the ‘1697 and ‘1714 proceedings was mailed on March 15, 2012.

Prior Art Cited in the Merged Proceedings

2. The following patents and printed publications were cited in the ‘1697 and ‘1714 proceedings:

Aventail Connect v3.1/v2.6 Administrator’s Guide, 1999 (“Aventail Connect v3.1”).

Aventail Connect v3.01/v2.51 Administrator’s Guide, 1999 (“Aventail Connect v3.01”).

Aventail AutoSOCKS v2.1 Administration and User’s Guide, 1997 (“Aventail AutoSOCKS”).

Wang, “Core Network Architecture Recommendations for Access to Legacy Data Networks over ADSL,” Broadband Forum Technical Report TR-025, September 1999 (“Wang”).

U.S. Patent No. 6,496,867 to Beser et al. (“Beser”).

Kent et al., “Security Architecture for the Internet Protocol,” Network Working Group RFC 2401, November 1998 (“Kent”).

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BinGO! User's Guide: Installation and Configuration and Extended Feature Reference,
March 1999 ("BinGO").

Kiuchi, Takahiro and Shigekoto Kaihara, "C-HTTP – The Development of a Secure,
Closed HTTP-based Network on the Internet," Proceedings of the SNDSS, 1996 ("Kiuchi").

U.S. Patent No. 5,898,830 to Wesinger, Jr. et al. ("Wesinger").

U.S. Patent No. 6,182,141 to Blum et al. ("Blum").

U.S. Patent No. 6,119,234 to Aziz et al. ("Aziz").

Edwards, Nigel and Owen Rees, "High Security Web Servers and Gateways," Computer
Networks and ISDN Systems 29, September 1997, pages 927-938 ("Edwards").

Martin, David M., "A Framework for Local Anonymity in the Internet," Technical
Report, Boston University, 21 February 1998 ("Martin").

Rejections Proposed in the Requests

3. The following rejections of the claims were proposed in the '1697 and '1714 requests for
inter partes reexamination:

Issue 1: Claims 1-16 are rejected as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) based on
Aventail Connect v3.01 (see the '1697 request, pages 21-50 and Ex. C1).

Issue 2: Claims 1-16 are rejected as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) based on
Aventail AutoSOCKS (see the '1697 request, pages 51-81 and Ex. C2).

Issue 3: Claims 1-16 are rejected as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) based on
BinGO (see the '1697 request, pages 82-117 and Ex. C3).

Issue 4: Claims 1-16 are rejected as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Beser in
view of Kent (see the '1697 request, pages 118-150 and Ex. C4).

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