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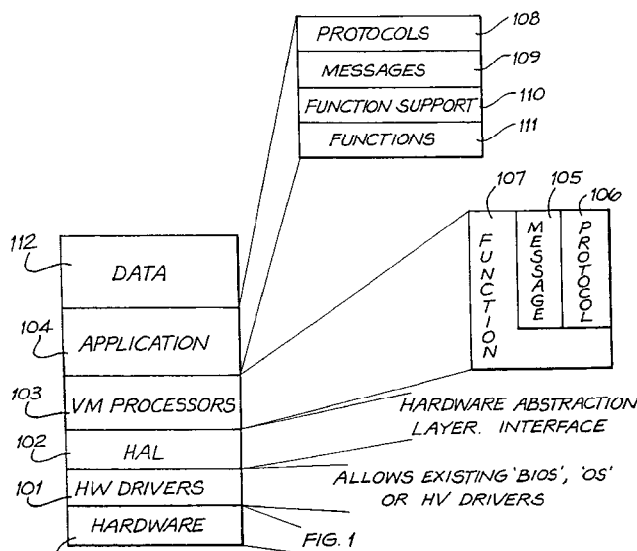
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Disclosed is a device arranged to process messages for communications, comprising a virtual machine means including a message processor means which is arranged to process messages communicated to and/or to be communicated from the device, and message processor instruction means, arranged to provide directions for operation of the message processor means. Also disclosed is a method for operating a device arranged to process messages for communications and a method of programming a device arranged to process messages for communications.

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FIG. 1

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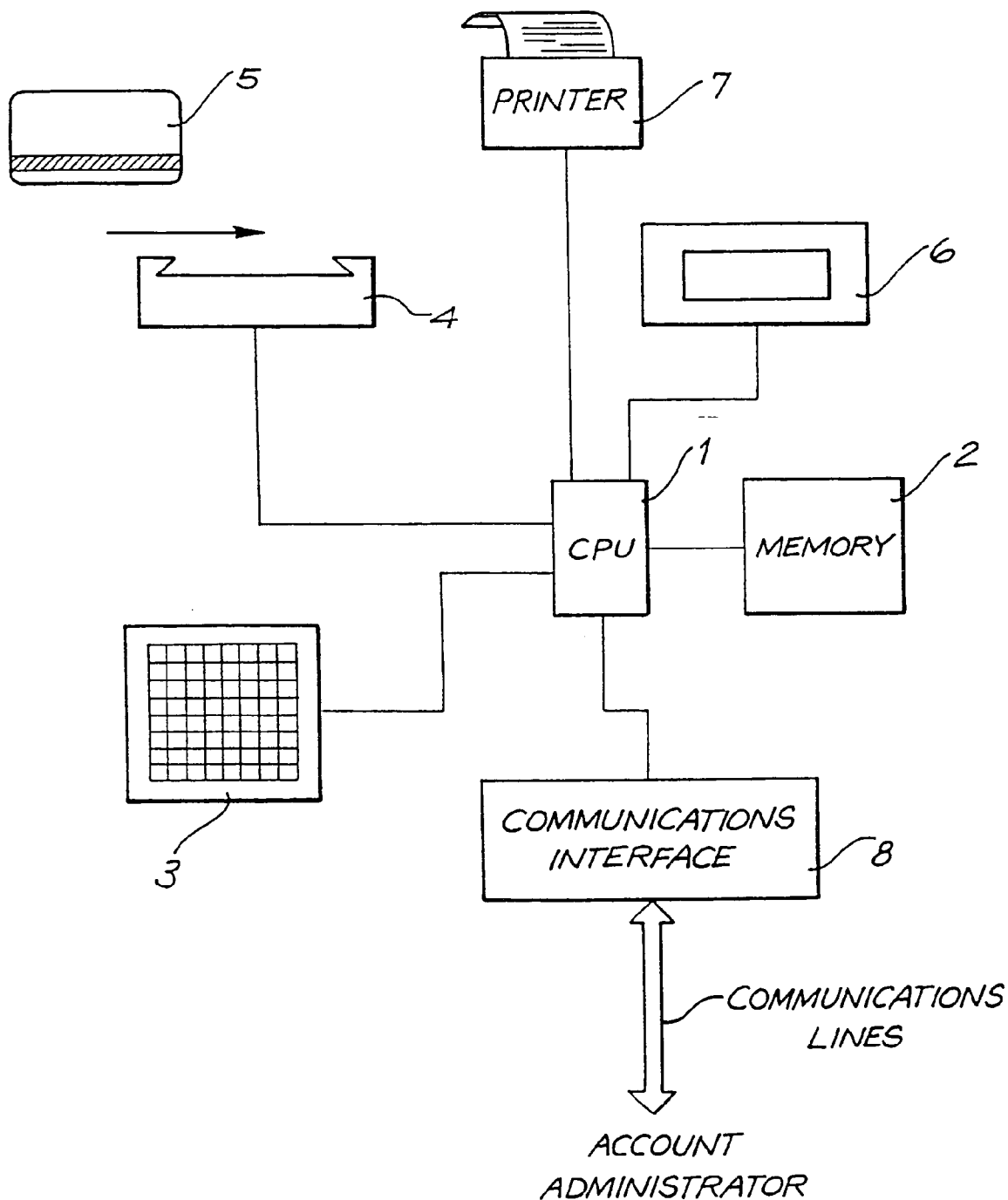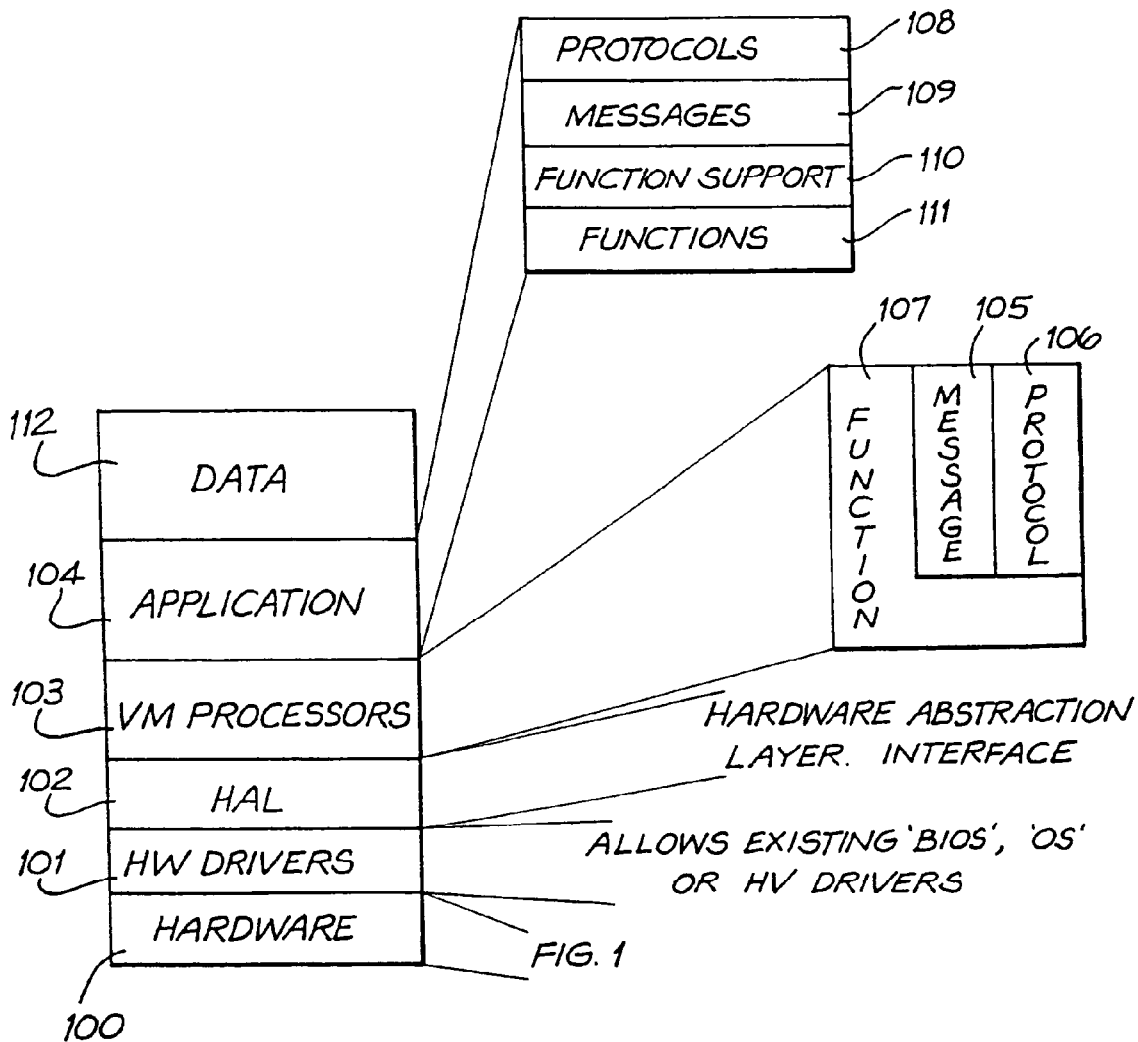
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FIG. 1

FIG. 2

(1) EVENT (EVENT DRIVEN STRUCTURE)
'CARDSWIPE' DETECTED BY
HW DRIVERS

TRACK 1	TRACK 2	TRACK 3
CUSTN.	PAN.	EXPD. END.

FIG. 3a

(2) CALL BACK TO EVENT TABLE (IN HAL)
LOOKS UP SEQUENCE OF COMMANDS
FOR CARDSWIPE EVENT, FROM INDEX

1	2	3	4

(1, 2, 0)

'HANDLE IDLE CARD'
↳'HANDLE CARD'
↳'NO ACTION'

(3) FUNCTION PROCESSOR CALLED UP TO
COMMENCE IMPLEMENTATION OF
COMMANDS FOR CARD SWIPE

FIG. 3b

(4) SAVE INSTRUCTION IMPLEMENTED

"
"
INSTRUCTION
DATA
DATA
INSTRUCTION
"
"

(5) FUNCTION PROCESSOR CALLS UP
MESSAGE PROCESSOR

(6) FUNCTION PROCESSOR CALLS UP
MESSAGE INSTRUCTION MEANS
FOR CARD SWIPE EVENT

FIG. 3c

(7) MESSAGE PROCESSOR PLACES DATA
FROM CARD INTO FIELDS AS DIRECTED
BY MESSAGE INSTRUCTION MEANS

(8) NEXT FUNCTION / EVENT

FIG. 3

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