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### (54) METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EFFICIENTLY INITIALIZING SECURE COMMUNICATIONS AMONG WIRELESS DEVICES

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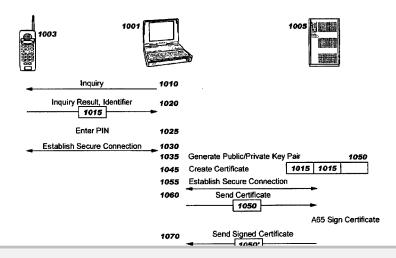
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### (57) ABSTRACT

A method and system for efficiently establishing secure communications between mobile devices in a radio network. The present invention utilizes public key cryptography and unique hardware identifiers to enable authorizations for access to wireless networks, such as picocells. The present invention prevents the mobile user from maintaining a plurality of secrets such as user identifier/password pairs, PINs, or encryption keys, for access to each device to which he might require access.

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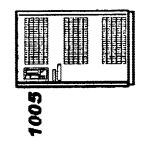




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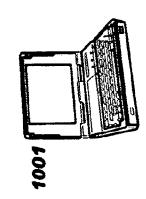
A65 Sign Certificate 1050 1015 1005 Generate Public/Private Key Pair Send Signed Certificate **Establish Secure Connection** Send Certificate 1050 1050 Create Certificate Store Signed Certificate 1075 FIG. 1A 1045 1055 1010 1020 1025 1035 1030 1060 **Establish Secure Connection** Inquiry Result, Identifier **Enter PIN** 1015 1003





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FIG. 1B



Send Cert. & Keys, Disconnect

1080

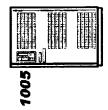
Store Signed Certificate 1085 and Public Key

Store Private Key 10
as Protected Value

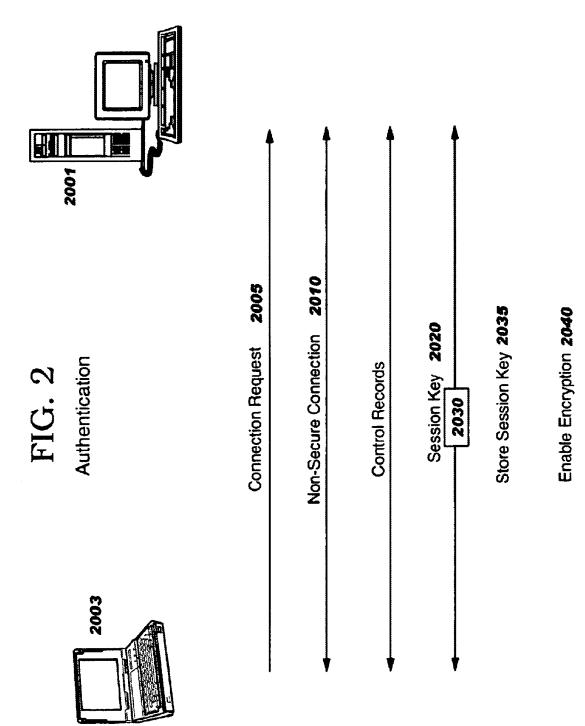
Delete PIN

1095

**Delete PIN** 



Same as Steps in Figure 1A & 1B FIG. 1C 1125 Send Signed Certificate & Public Key 1130 1010 1020 1001 Inquiry Result, Identifier Generate Public/Private 1110 **Establish Connection** Send Public Key 1015 Securely Store 1115 Private Key 1003 





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