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Petitioner,

v.

UNILOC 2017 LLC,
Patent Owner.

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Patent 6,467,088 B1

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SCOTT RAEVSKY, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

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PROCEEDINGS

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JUDGE QUINN: Okay. Let's get on the record now then. This hearing is for Microsoft Corporation v. Uniloc 2017, LLC, Case number IPR 2020-23 concerning patent number 6,467,088. With me are Judges Sally Medley and Scott Raevsky. And I am Judge Miriam Quinn. Today's hearing provides for each party to have argument for 45 minutes. Each may reserve time for rebuttal. Let's start with petitioner. Can you please state your appearance for the record?

MR. TODDY: Good morning, Your Honor. Derrick Toddy here on behalf of petitioner Microsoft Corporation.

JUDGE QUINN: Welcome Mr. Toddy. Do you have anybody else on your side?

MR. TODDY: No one else appearing, Your Honor.

JUDGE QUINN: Okay. Thank you. And now for patent owner?

MR. MANGRUM: Good morning, Your Honors. This is Brett Mangrum. I will be speaking for patent owner Uniloc today. With your permissions also I will present in a seated position today so that I could stay on camera frame. And I would also --

JUDGE QUINN: Yes, that's fine.

MR. MANGRUM: Okay. I would also like to announce that Steve Peterson, in-house counsel for patent owner, is also listening on the line, just in a listening function.

1 JUDGE QUINN: Okay. Also, too, we want to alert
2 the parties that we were informed that this hearing also is
3 available to the public and we may have also members of the
4 public attending. If there's any issues with that I would
5 need to hear that right now before we begin. Is there any
6 issue with that, Mr. Toddy?

7 MR. TODDY: No objection from petitioner, Your
8 Honor.

9 JUDGE QUINN: Okay.

10 MR. MANGRUM: None from patent owner.

11 JUDGE QUINN: Okay.

12 MR. MANGRUM: None from patent owner, Your Honor.

13 JUDGE QUINN: All right. So, Mr. Toddy, you have
14 45 minutes and I just need to know before we start your timer
15 how many minutes would you like for your rebuttal?

16 MR. TODDY: Your Honor, we would like to reserve 15
17 minutes.

18 JUDGE QUINN: Okay. Fifteen. All right. You may
19 start whenever you're ready.

20 MR. TODDY: Thank you, Your Honor. May it please the
21 Board, Derrick Toddy here on behalf of petitioner Microsoft
22 Corporation. We're here today to discuss the 088 patent which
23 is directed to a reconfiguration manager for software updates.
24 This reconfiguration manager as described in the abstract,
25 which you can find on Slide 4, at a high level receives a
26 request, from that request determines components that are

1 needed, and determines from information in the request
2 identifiers for additional components that are currently
3 implemented on a user's device.

4 Then it compares those with two lists. Looking at Slide
5 5 and Figure 1 of the 088 patent, those lists are described
6 within the patent -- within the claims as known acceptable or
7 known unacceptable configurations while Figure 1 refers to
8 them as known good or known bad configurations. And the
9 figure there shows a dashed line for known bad configuration
10 and a solid line for known good configurations.

11 Based on the comparison of this information that was
12 provided in the requests with these two lists, the known good
13 list and the known bad list, the reconfiguration manager then
14 generates information and sends it back either approving or
15 denying a request for an upgrade. That quite simply, as shown
16 on Slide 6, is reflected in the independent claims of the 088
17 patent. Shown on Slide 6 is Claim 1.

18 And the only element that's really at issue here is the
19 highlighted Element 1.4 that involves the comparison of the
20 determined component, which again is the component that is
21 determined to be needed for the upgrade, and the information
22 specifying at least one additional component. Those are
23 components that are already on the user's computer, the user's
24 existing configuration, with again at least one of a lists of
25 known acceptable and known unacceptable configurations. Those
26 are again the known good and the known bad lists. That's the

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