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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A firewall is used to achieve network separation within a computing system having a plurality of network interfaces. A plurality of regions is defined within the firewall and a set of policies is configured for each of the plurality of regions. The firewall restricts communication to and from each of the plurality of network interfaces in accordance with the set of policies configured for the one of the plurality of regions to which the one of the plurality of network interfaces has been assigned.

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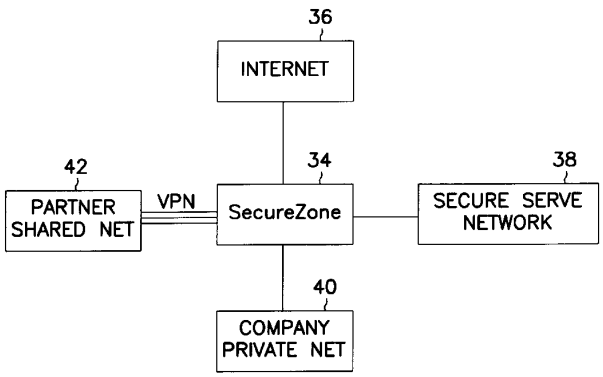

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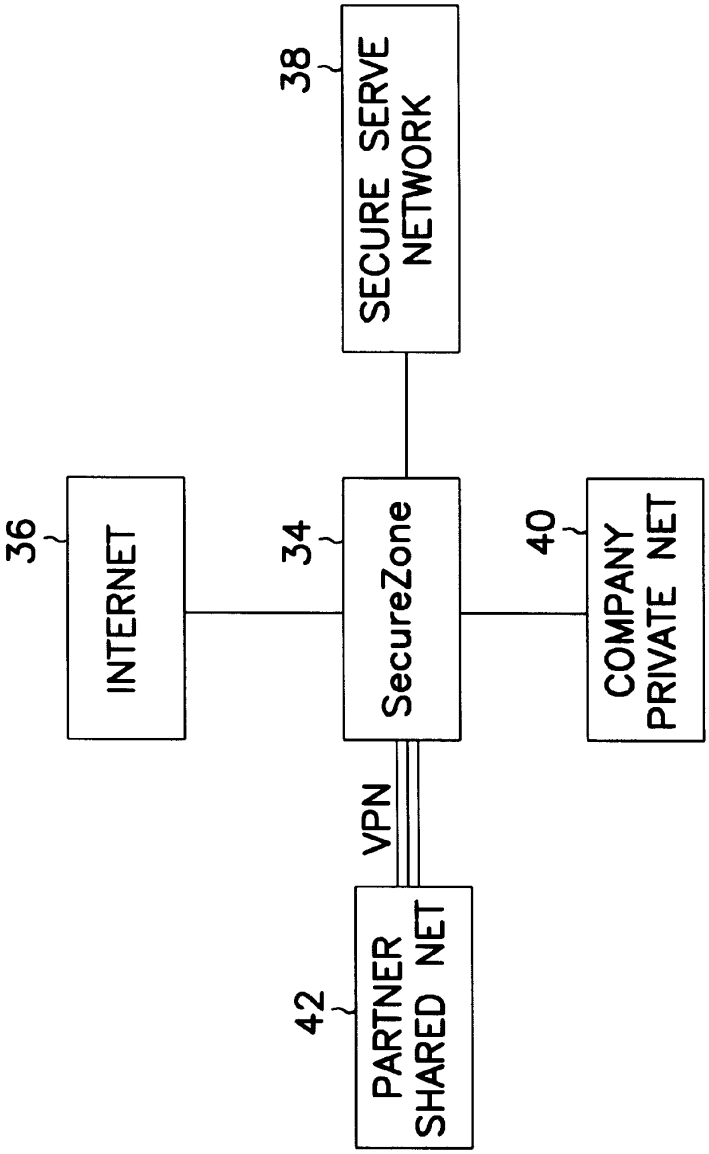

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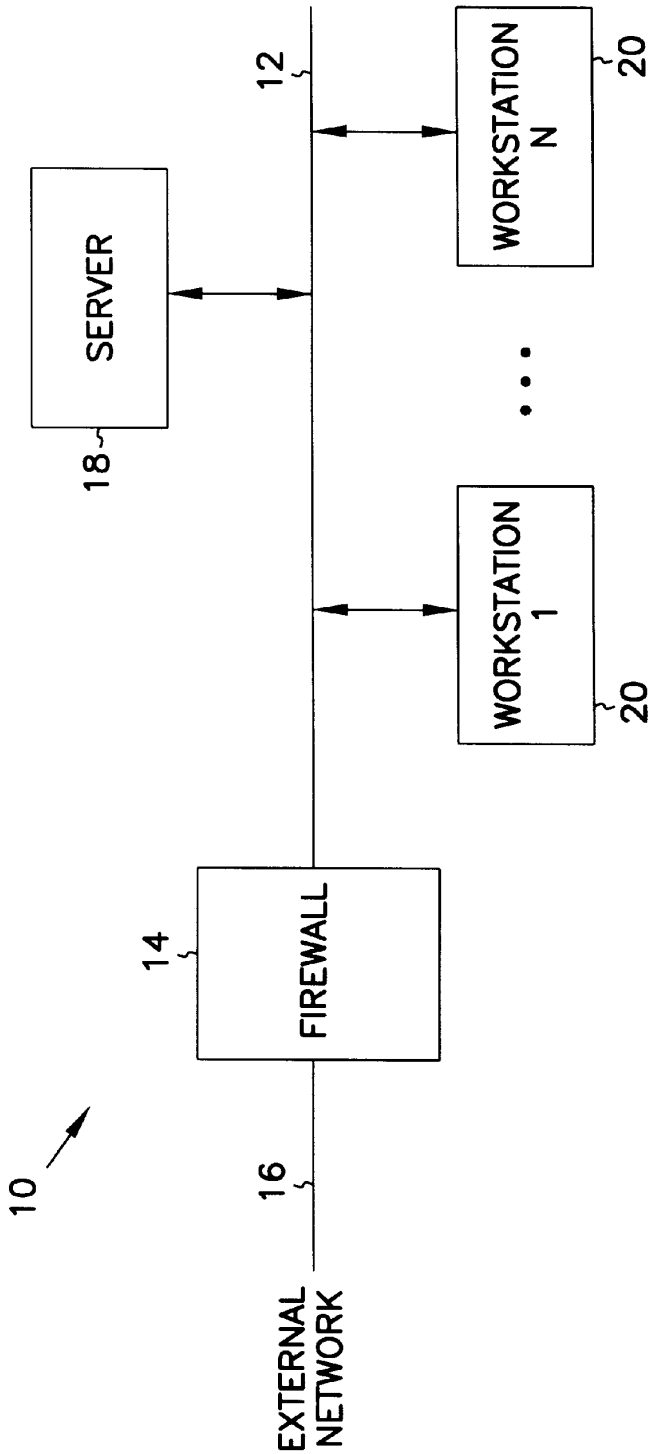

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