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### (54) SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REPORTING AN EMERGENCY SITUATION

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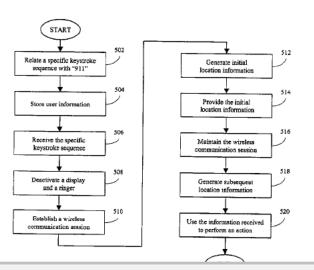
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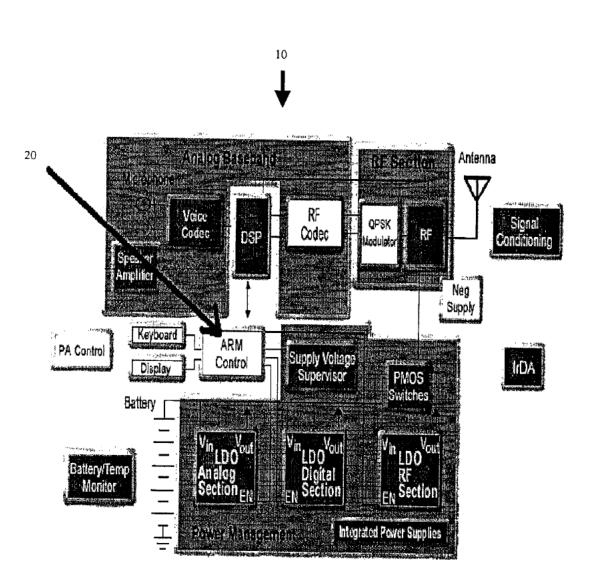
### (57) ABSTRACT

The present invention is a system and method for reporting an emergency situation to a called party a using a wireless device. The wireless device comprises a keyboard and a microprocessor. In one embodiment, when a specific keystroke sequence is entered using the keyboard, the wireless device performs the following tasks: (1) disabling one or more components of the wireless device; (2) establishing a wireless communication session with the called party; (3) communicating with a location system to generate location information pinpointing the location of the wireless device; and (5) providing the location information to the called party. In other embodiments, the wire device performs additional tasks, including: (6) capturing content during the wireless communication; (7) communicating with the location system to generate subsequent location information; and (8) providing one or more of the subsequent location information and the content to the called party. The called party may then use the location information and the content to perform one or more actions, including providing help to the user of the wireless device.

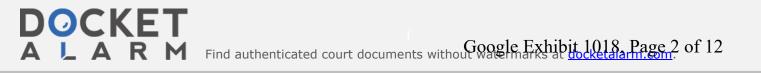
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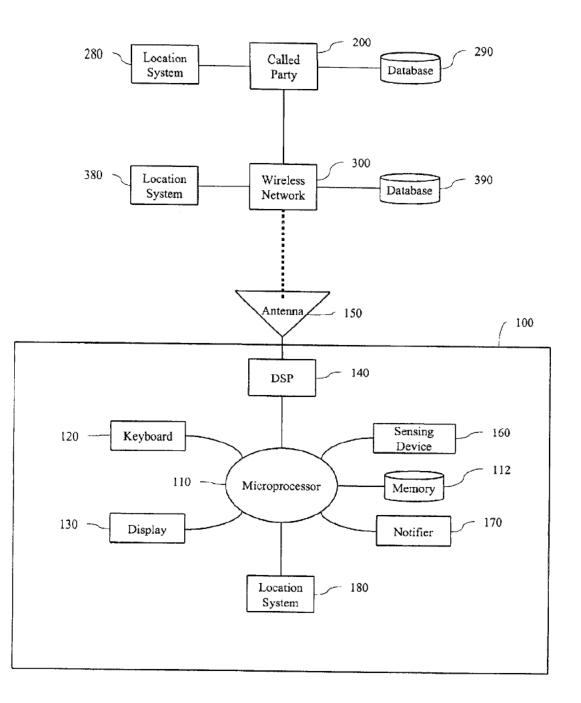


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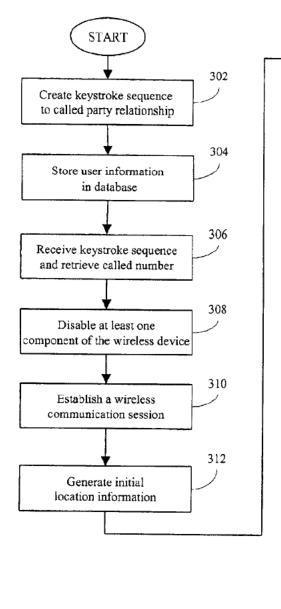
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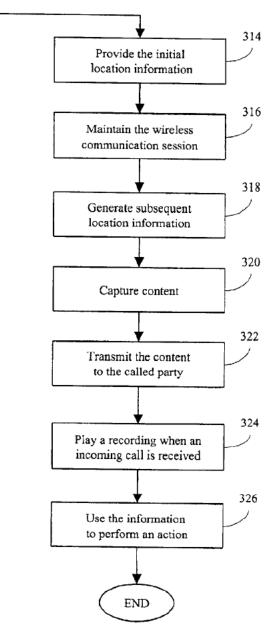






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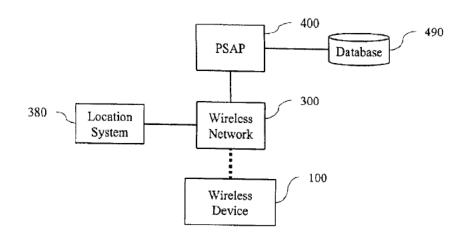




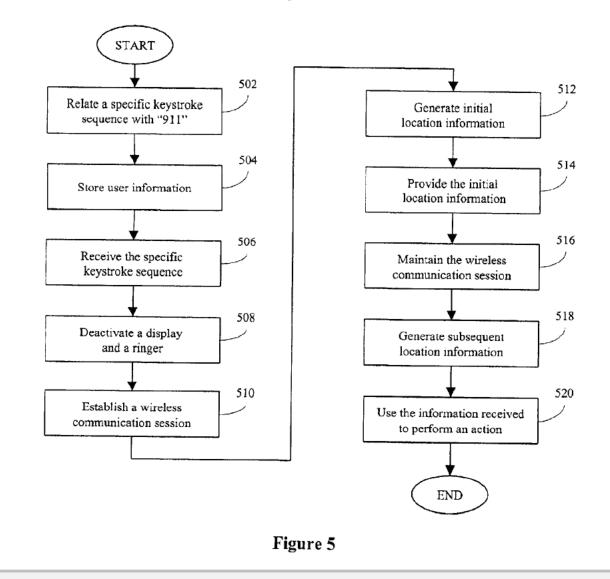
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