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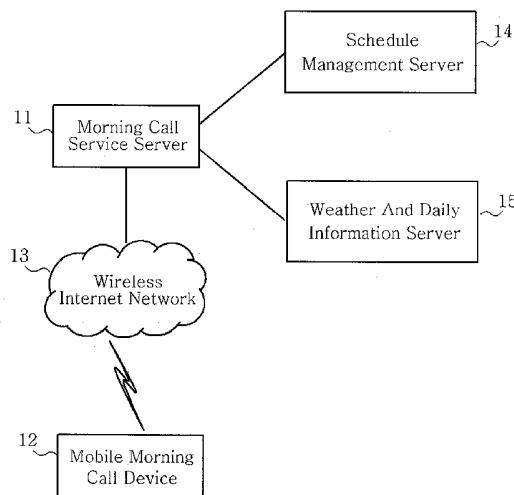
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(54) Title: MORNING CALL SERVICE BY MOBILE ROBOT



(57) Abstract: Disclosed is a system and a method for providing a morning call service wherein, when a user wakes up, a mobile morning call device capable of recognizing and tracking him automatically provides his schedule and various types of daily information based on the schedule. The method provides a morning call service by using a morning call device adapted to access a morning call service server for collecting and providing a schedule of a user and daily information. The method includes the steps of storing the schedule and the daily information received from the morning call service server when a morning call time approaches; locating the user; playing pre-selected morning call music when the morning call time arrives; outputting a request for confirming whether or not the user is fully awake when the user stops the morning call music; receiving a reply in response to the request and confirming whether or not the reply meets a requirement; playing the morning call music again when the reply does not meet the requirement; and outputting voice expression of the stored schedule and daily information after confirming that the user is fully awake when the reply meets the requirement.

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MORNING CALL SERVICE BY MOBILE ROBOT

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The present invention relates to a system and a method for providing a morning call service by using a mobile robot. More particularly, the present invention relates to a system and a method for providing a morning call service wherein, 10 when a user wakes up, a mobile morning call device capable of recognizing and tracking him automatically provides his schedule and various types of daily information based on the schedule.

15 **Background Art**

In general, a morning call device is used to wake a person by making a sound at a set time. This type of morning call function is now incorporated in various 20 appliances, such as watches, mobile telephones, and wired telephones.

A morning call device is usually the thing which a person first sees when beginning a day and, for this reason, is suitable for providing a user with schedule and various 25 information regarding daily life after awakening him or her.

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discloses a method for providing a morning call service by using a mobile communication terminal, wherein a user is provided with pre-selected morning call music, notice about arrival of E-mails, and news about various types of information together with a morning call service, regardless of his location (e.g. even on a business trip). The method will now be described briefly.

A mobile communication terminal, usually carried by a user, accesses a morning call service provision server via a wireless communication network. The morning call service provision server accesses a server for handling e-mails, a server for managing news information, a server for managing weather information, and the like.

The user accesses the morning call service provision server and registers personal information, including desired morning call time, type of morning call music, e-mail account for receiving e-mails, and identification number of the mobile communication terminal.

When the registered morning call time arrives, the morning call service provision server acquires the identification number of the mobile communication terminal based on that time. The morning call service provision server transmits an audio file corresponding to the registered morning call music, to the mobile communication terminal, which then plays the file.

When the user operates the mobile communication

terminal to stop the audio file, the morning call service provision server acquires information about received E-mails from the registered E-mail server and transmits the information to the mobile communication terminal.

5 In addition, after playing of the audio file is stopped, the morning call service provision server provides the mobile communication terminal with news information regarding fields registered by the user, as well as weather information corresponding to the user's current location.

10 However, such a conventional system for providing a morning call service by using a mobile communication terminal cannot confirm whether or not the user is fully awake, though it may play music at a pre-selected time. In addition, the conventional system is not suitable for use in
15 the morning, because, after waking up, the user generally moves around his or her house to get ready for the day.

Disclosure of the Invention

20 Therefore, the present invention has been made in view of the above-mentioned problems, and it is an object of the present invention to provide a system and a method for providing a morning call service wherein, when a user wakes up, a mobile morning call device capable of recognizing and
25 tracking him automatically confirms whether or not he is fully awake and, after he is fully awake, provides his

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