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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method and system for message communications in different media. A first message is received via a first communications medium. First address information associated with the first communications medium is extracting from the first communications medium. Second address information associated with a second communications medium is determined automatically in response to the first address information. A reply for the first message is sent via the second communications medium using the second address information.

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	CALLER ID			E-MAIL			EXTENSIONS		
ENTRY	NUMBER	NAME	...	ADDRESS	REAL NAME	...	FAX NUMBER	POSTAL ADDRESS	...
1	555-4321	John Ray							
2	555-1234	Bill Bey		BBey @ iil.com	Bill Bey				
3				JRay @ ab.com	John Ray				
4	555-4231	Tom Hays		THays @ lli.com	Tom Hays				
5	5551324	Hank Day							
6				CTrei @ lil.com	Charlie Trei				

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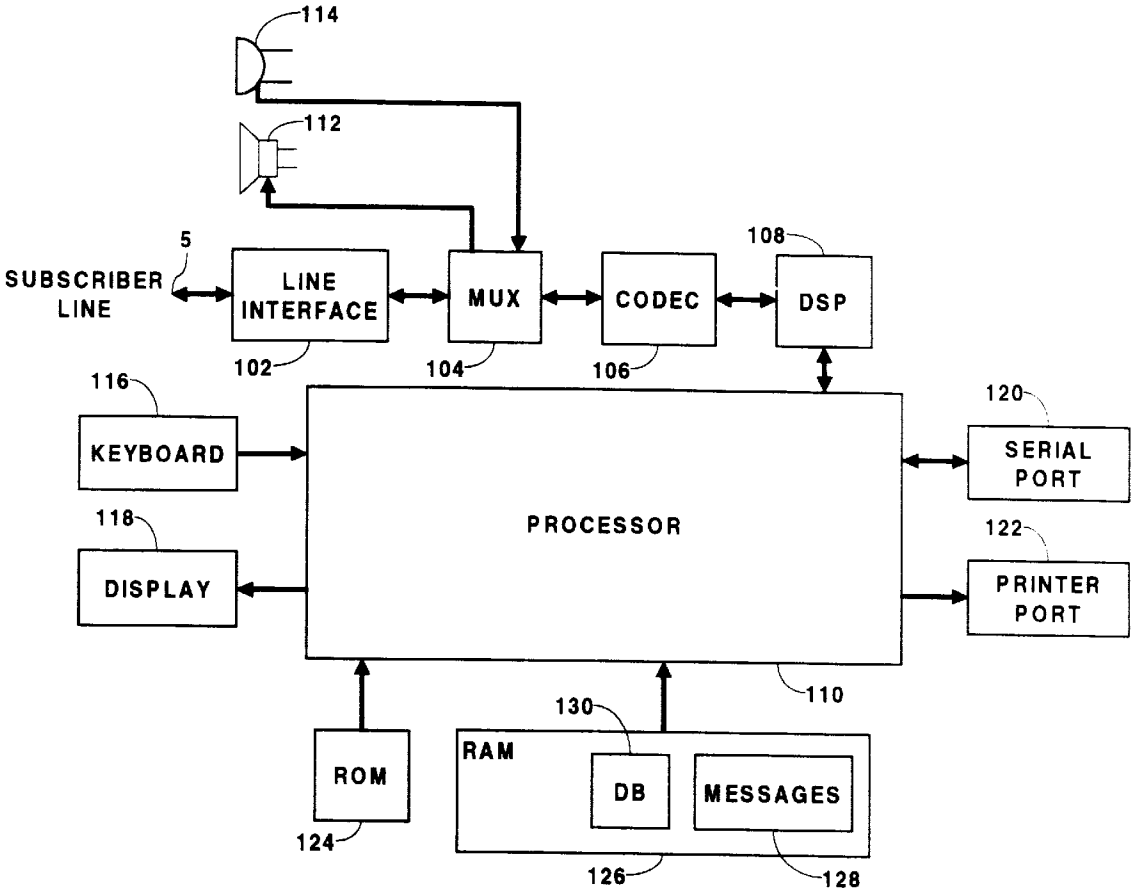

Fig. 1

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Fig. 2

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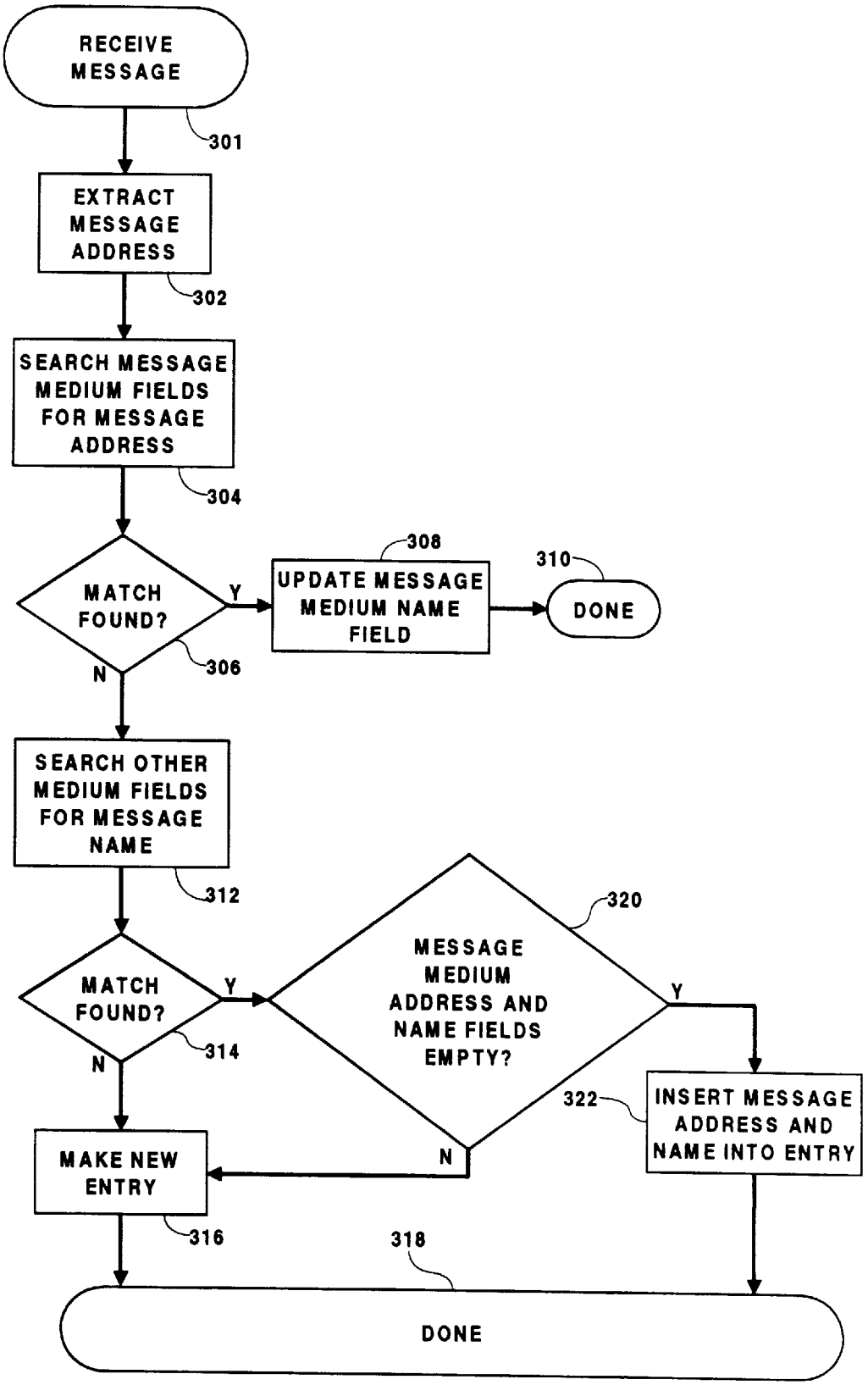

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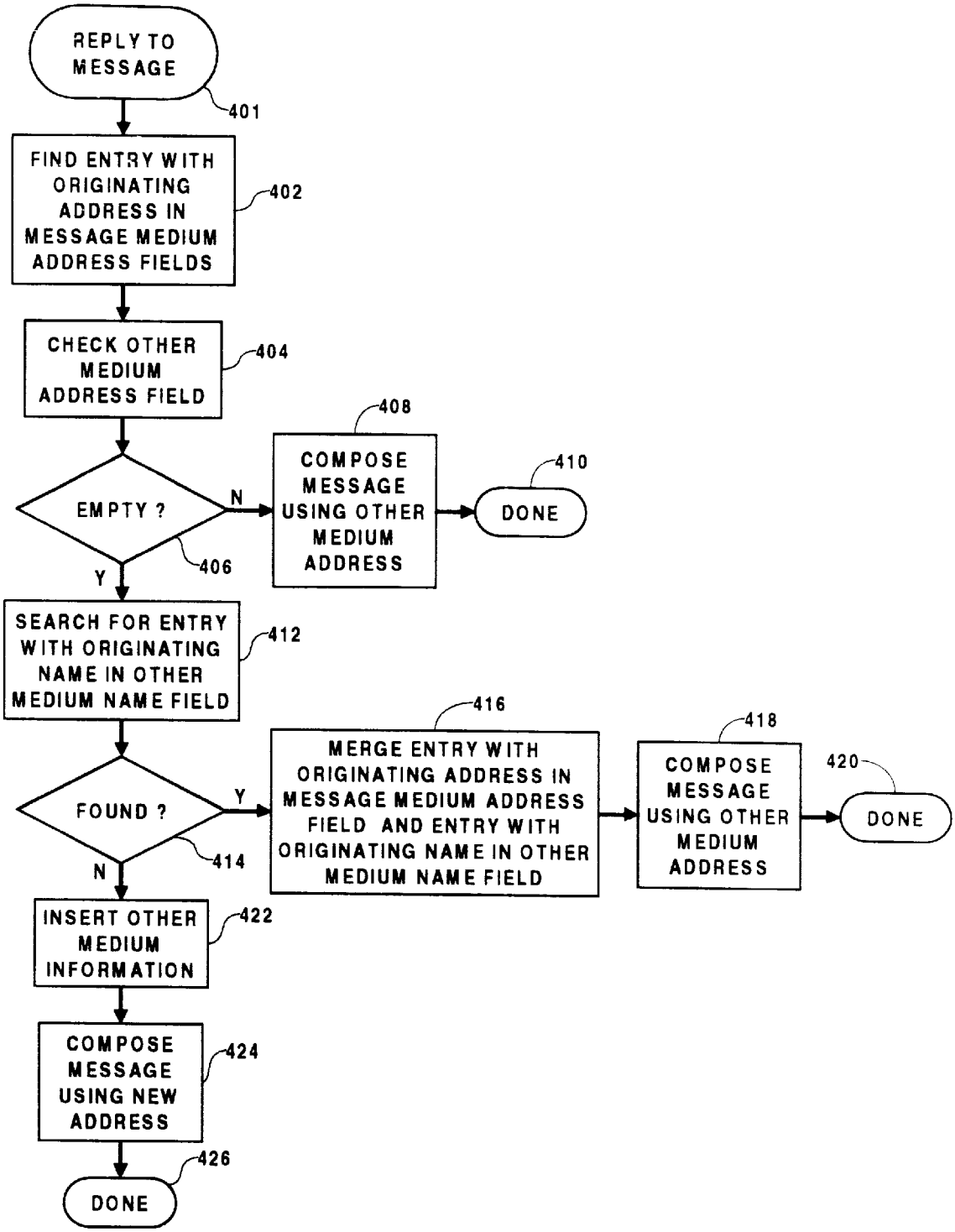

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