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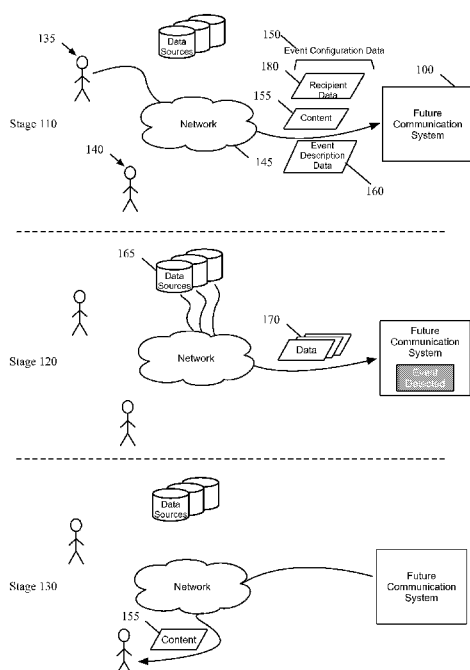
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(57) Abstract: Some embodiments of the invention provide a future messaging system that can be configured to analyze data from one or more data sources in an automated manner in order to detect with a degree of accuracy the occurrence of a possible future event, which may or may not occur in the future. Upon detection of the future event, the future messaging system in some embodiments provides content to a set of one or more recipients. Alternatively, in some embodiments, the future messaging system only provides notification of the detection to the set of recipients. In some embodiments, a user provides the content for release upon the detection of the future event. Along with this content, the user in some embodiments provides a description of the event and a list of one or more recipients for receiving the content upon the detection of the event. The description of the event in some embodiments specifies a group of one or more event condition rule sets (ECRS'), or can be used to derive such an ECRS group. Each ECRS includes one or more event condition rules (ECRs) that can be used to specify search and/or analysis of data from data sources to detect the occurrence of an event.

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