

(19) World Intellectual Property Organization
International Bureau



(43) International Publication Date
18 January 2007 (18.01.2007)

PCT

(10) International Publication Number
WO 2007/008441 A3

- (51) International Patent Classification:
A63F 1/04 (2006.01)
- (21) International Application Number:
PCT/US2006/025424
- (22) International Filing Date: 29 June 2006 (29.06.2006)
- (25) Filing Language: English
- (26) Publication Language: English
- (30) Priority Data:
11/178,531 11 July 2005 (11.07.2005) US
- (71) Applicant: MULTIMEDIA GAMES, INC. [US/US];
206 SOUTH WILD BASIN ROAD, Building B, Fourth
Floor, Austin, TX 78746 (US).
- (72) Inventors: LIND, Clifton, E.; 2 Las Brisas, Austin, TX
78746 (US). LIND, Jefferson, C.; 10508 Double Spur
Loop, Austin, TX 78759 (US).
- (74) Agents: CULBERTSON, Russell, D. et al.; THE CUL-
BERTSON GROUP, P.C., 1114 Lost Creek Blvd., Suite
420, Austin, TX 78746 (US).

(81) Designated States (unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of national protection available): AE, AG, AL, AM, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BR, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, DZ, EC, EE, EG, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HN, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KM, KN, KP, KR, KZ, LA, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LV, LY, MA, MD, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MZ, NA, NG, NI, NO, NZ, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SM, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VC, VN, ZA, ZM, ZW.

(84) Designated States (unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of regional protection available): ARIPO (BW, GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, NA, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZM, ZW), Eurasian (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European (AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, HU, IE, IS, IT, LT, LU, LV, MC, NL, PL, PT, RO, SE, SI, SK, TR), OAPI (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GQ, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).

Published:

— with international search report

(88) Date of publication of the international search report:
9 April 2009



WO 2007/008441 A3

(54) Title: METHOD, APPARATUS AND PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR MULTIPLE PLAY BONUS SYSTEM

(57) Abstract: A gaming system (100) provides a secondary game in which the outcome depends on the results from multiple instances of a primary game. The secondary game is associated with a particular structure that includes a number of separate locations (502). Each of the secondary game locations (502) is linked to a particular instance of the primary game so that the results of a particular instance of the primary game determine the condition or state of a respective secondary game location (502). Additionally, each location (502) in the secondary game structure makes up a certain component of a secondary game display. Players receive an award if a certain pattern is displayed in the secondary game structure based on the application of the multiple instances of the primary game to the secondary game structure.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

PCT/US06/25424

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
 IPC: A63F 1/04(2006.01)

USPC: 463/20
 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
 U.S. : 463/20, 463/19

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched
 Inventor search on EAST

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)



C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

| Category * | Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages | Relevant to claim No. |
|------------|--|-----------------------|
| Y | US 20050059468 (see the entire document) | 1-21 |

Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex.

| * Special categories of cited documents: | Symbol |
|---|--|
| "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance | "T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention |
| "E" earlier application or patent published on or after the international filing date | "X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone |
| "L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified) | "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art |
| "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means | "&" document member of the same patent family |
| "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed | |

| | |
|--|--|
| Date of the actual completion of the international search 22 June 2008 (22.06.2008) | Date of mailing of the international search report 30 JUL 2008 |
|--|--|

| | |
|---|--|
| Name and mailing address of the ISA/US Mail Stop PCT, Attn: ISA/US Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 Facsimile No. (571) 273-3201 | Authorized officer Xuan Thai  Telephone No. 571 270 3700  |
|---|--|