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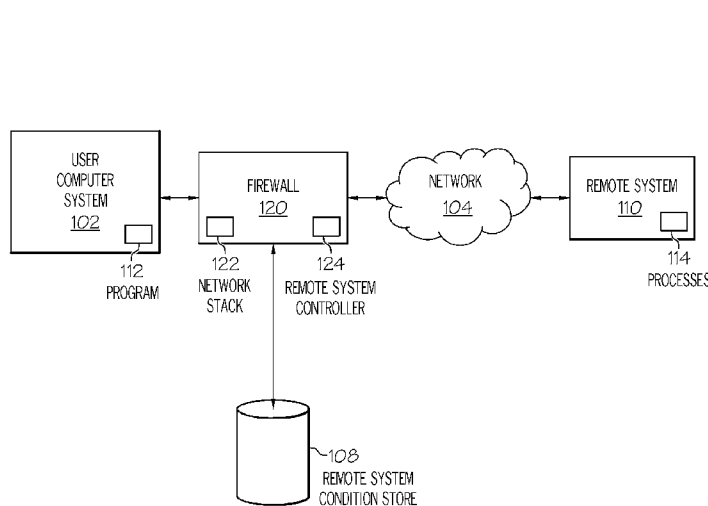


FIG. 1

(57) **Abstract:** A firewall control method includes receiving a data request at a firewall where the data request is associated with a program and determining whether a remote system condition exists for the associated program, where the remote system condition includes a condition to be satisfied based on information received from a particular remote system. Embodiments may also include, in response to determining that a remote system condition exists, determining whether the remote system condition is satisfied based on information received from the particular remote system. Embodiments may also include, in response to determining whether the remote system condition is satisfied, performing one or more firewall actions.



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