

CORRECTED VERSION

(19) World Intellectual Property Organization
International Bureau



(43) International Publication Date
10 May 2007 (10.05.2007)

PCT

(10) International Publication Number
WO 2007/051956 A1

- (51) **International Patent Classification:**
H04N 7/24 (2006.01) H04N 5/00 (2006.01)
- (21) **International Application Number:**
PCT/GB2005/004252
- (22) **International Filing Date:**
3 November 2005 (03.1 1.2005)
- (25) **Filing Language:** English
- (26) **Publication Language:** English
- (71) **Applicant (for all designated States except US):** **NDS LIMITED** [GB/GB]; 1 Heatrow Boulevard, 286 Bath Road, West Drayton, Middlesex UB7 ODQ (GB).
- (72) **Inventors; and**
- (75) **Inventors/Applicants (for US only):** **BEAUNOIR, Nicolas** [FR/FR]; 34, rue Rottembourg, F-75012 Paris (FR). **LENOIR, Jean-Philippe** [FR/FR]; 97, rue de Stalingrad, F-78800 Houilles (FR).
- (74) **Agent:** **WHITE, Duncan;** Marks & Clerk, 90 Long Acre, London WC2E 9RA (GB).
- (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, FT, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KM, KN, KP, KR, KZ, 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, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SM, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VC, VN, YU, 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).

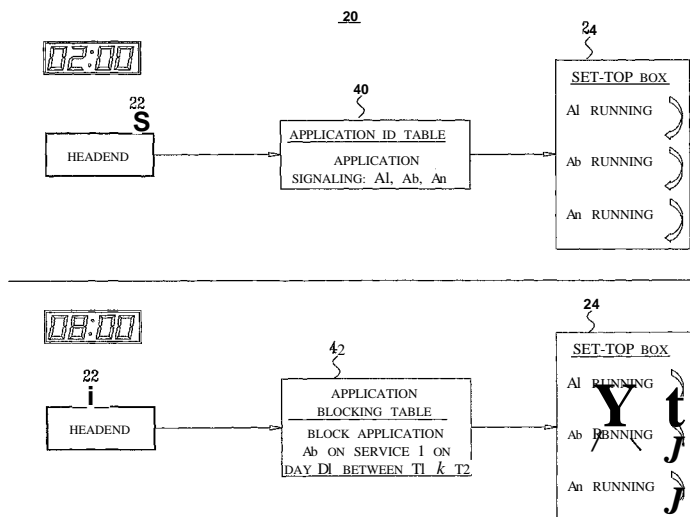
Published:
— with international search report

(48) **Date of publication of this corrected version:**
20 September 2007

(15) **Information about Correction:**
see PCT Gazette No. 38/2007 of 20 September 2007

[Continued on next page]

(54) **Title:** APPLICATION BLOCKING SYSTEM



(57) **Abstract:** ABSTRACT: A set-top box system for blocking signaled applications from being run on a set-top box, the system comprising an audio/video service receiving module to receive at least one audio/video service, an application receiving module to receive an application, an application signaling module to manage a first table including signaling information indicating that the application is a signaled application authorized for being run on the set-top box, and an application blocking module to receive a second table including blocking information to block running of the signaled application on the set-top box, the second table being received from a broadcasting Headend, and block running of the signaled application on the set-top box in response to receiving the second table. Related apparatus and methods are also described.

WO 2007/051956 A1



For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.