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(54) **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SECURITIZING A CURRENCY RELATED COMMODITY**

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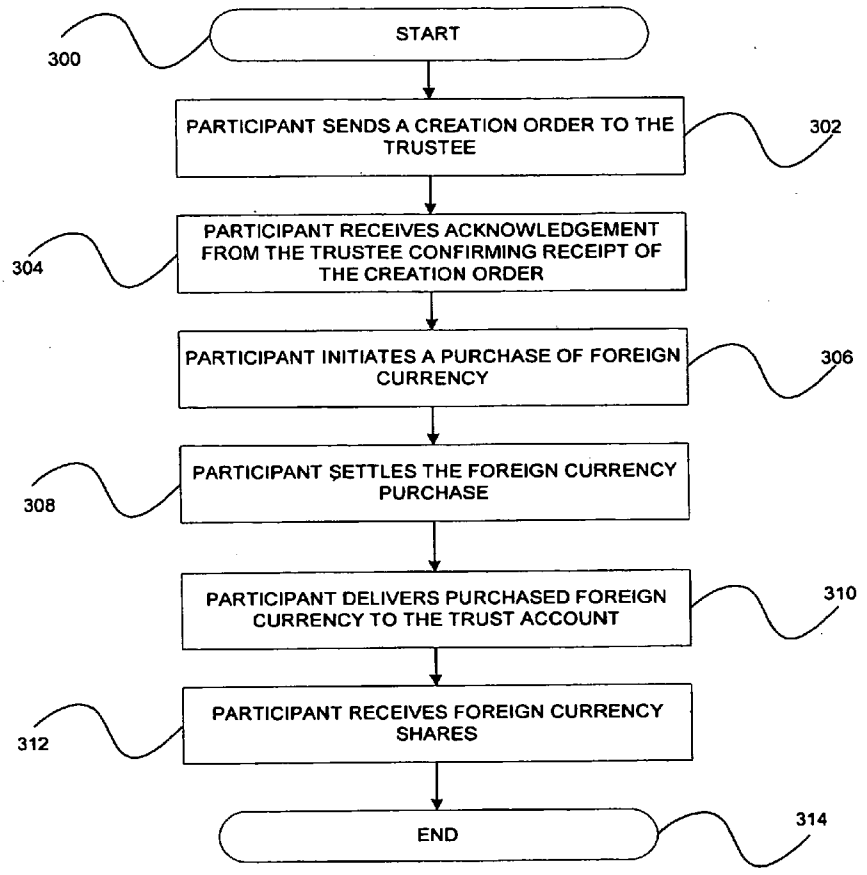
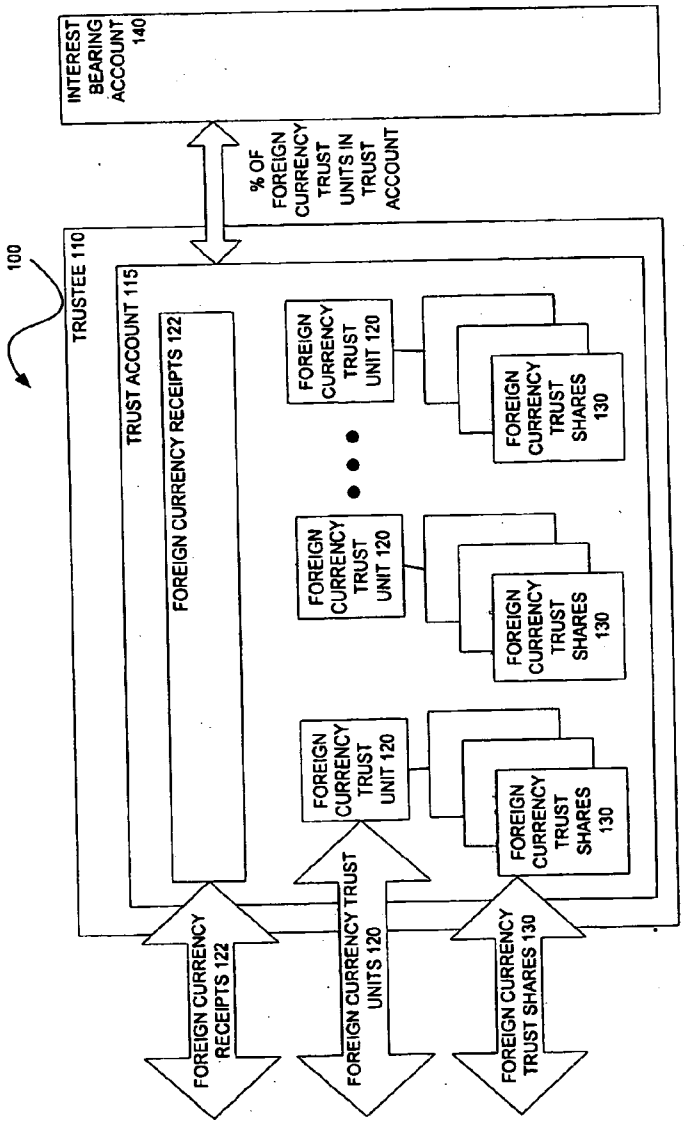
(57) **ABSTRACT**

Systems and methods for providing a tradable (e.g., exchange-listed) instrument by securitizing foreign currency using a foreign currency trust or other special-purpose vehicle that is established to hold one or more particular foreign currency and to issue foreign currency trust shares and/or receipts corresponding to the value of the foreign currency(s) held by the Trust. The foreign currency trust shares may represent a proportional interest in the Trust and/or the foreign currency held by the trust. The Trust may include one or more Trust accounts to receive and store the foreign currency deposited with the Trust. The Trust can operate to receive an investment amount in a first currency and provide shares or Trust receipts having a value in a second currency. The shares or receipts of the trust can be listed, quoted, and traded on a trading system.

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FOREIGN CURRENCY TRUST SHARES 130
FOREIGN CURRENCY RECEIPTS 122
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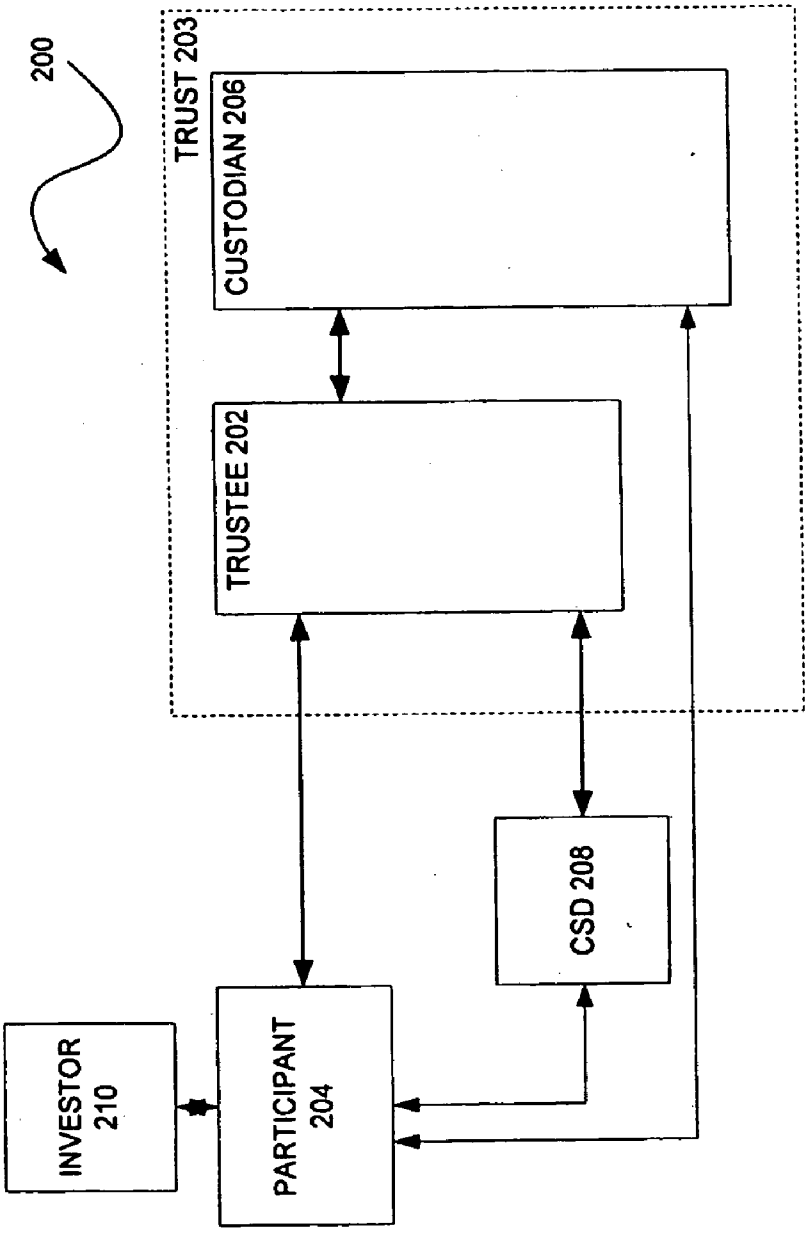
FOREIGN CURRENCY TRUST SHARES 130

FIGURE 1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TRUSTEE 202
CSD 208
INVESTOR 210
PARTICIPANT 204

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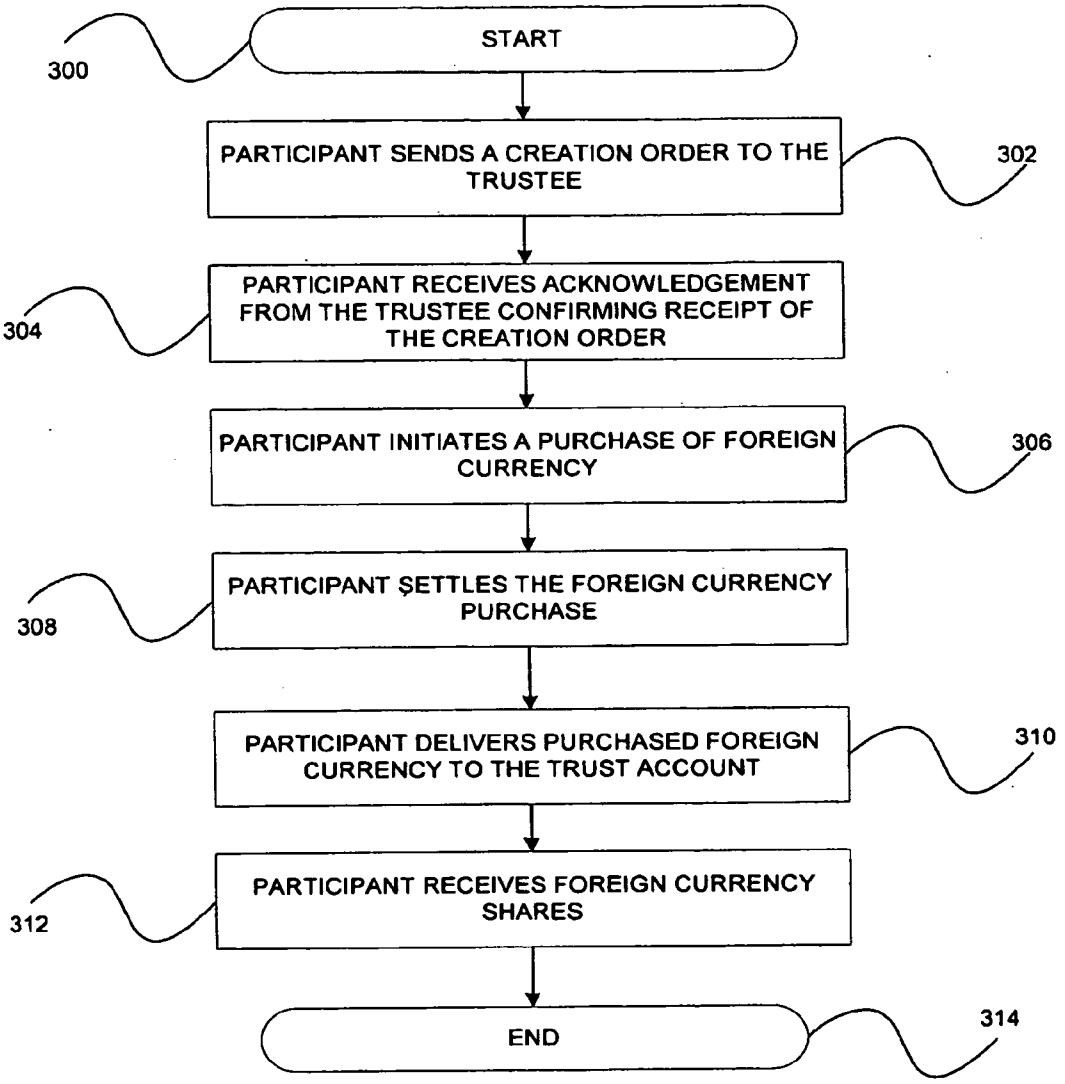
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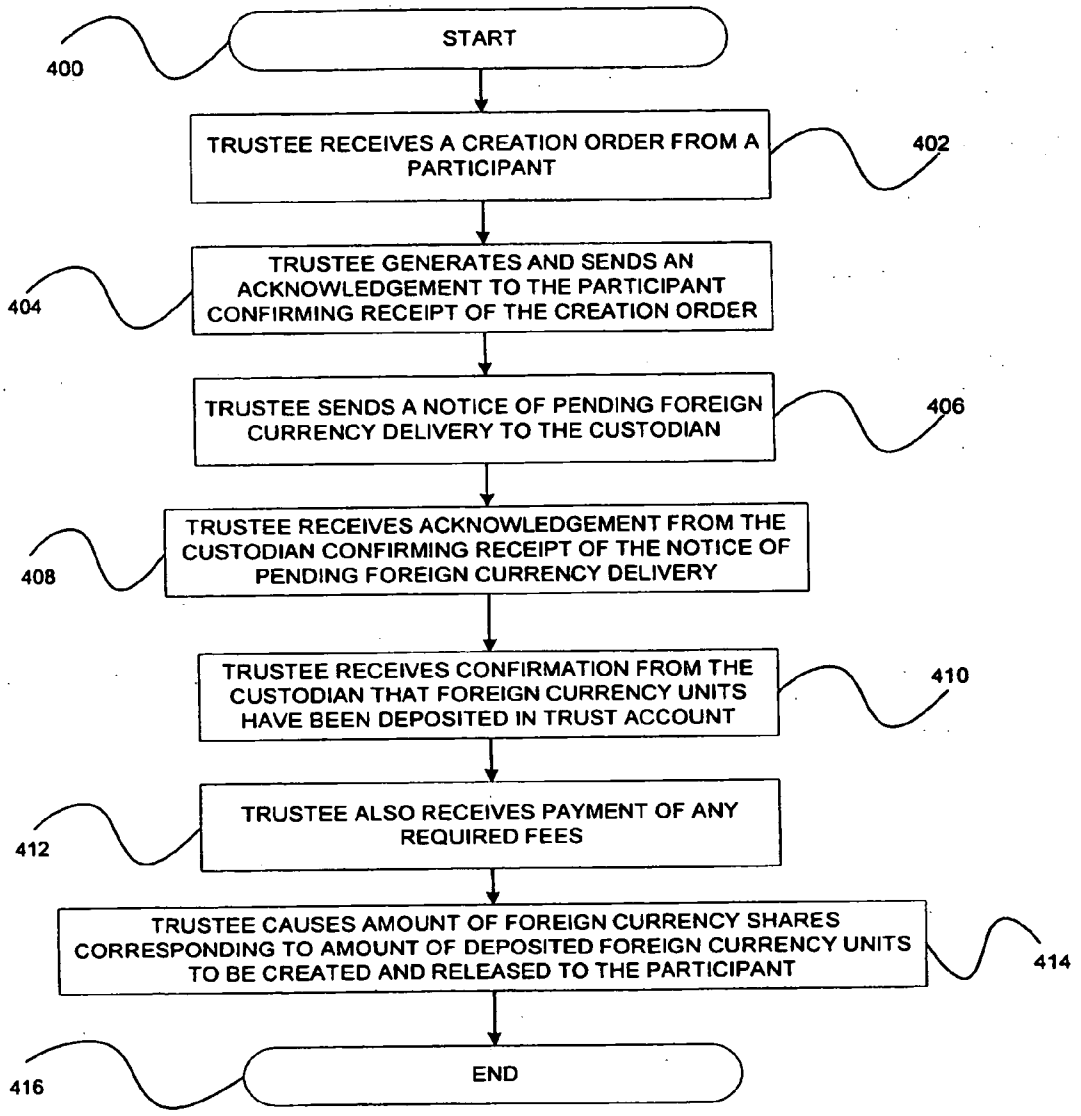
302
PARTICIPANT RECEIVES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM THE TRUSTEE CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE CREATION ORDER
304
PARTICIPANT INITIATES A PURCHASE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY
306
PARTICIPANT SETTLES THE FOREIGN CURRENCY PURCHASE
308
PARTICIPANT DELIVERS PURCHASED FOREIGN CURRENCY TO THE TRUST ACCOUNT
310
PARTICIPANT RECEIVES FOREIGN CURRENCY SHARES
312
END
314

FIGURE 3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404
TRUSTEE SENDS A NOTICE OF PENDING FOREIGN CURRENCY DELIVERY TO THE CUSTODIAN
406
TRUSTEE RECEIVES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM THE CUSTODIAN CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE OF PENDING FOREIGN CURRENCY DELIVERY
408
TRUSTEE RECEIVES CONFIRMATION FROM THE CUSTODIAN THAT FOREIGN CURRENCY UNITS HAVE BEEN DEPOSITED IN TRUST ACCOUNT
410
TRUSTEE ALSO RECEIVES PAYMENT OF ANY REQUIRED FEES
412
TRUSTEE CAUSES AMOUNT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY SHARES CORRESPONDING TO AMOUNT OF DEPOSITED FOREIGN CURRENCY UNITS TO BE CREATED AND RELEASED TO THE PARTICIPANT
414
END
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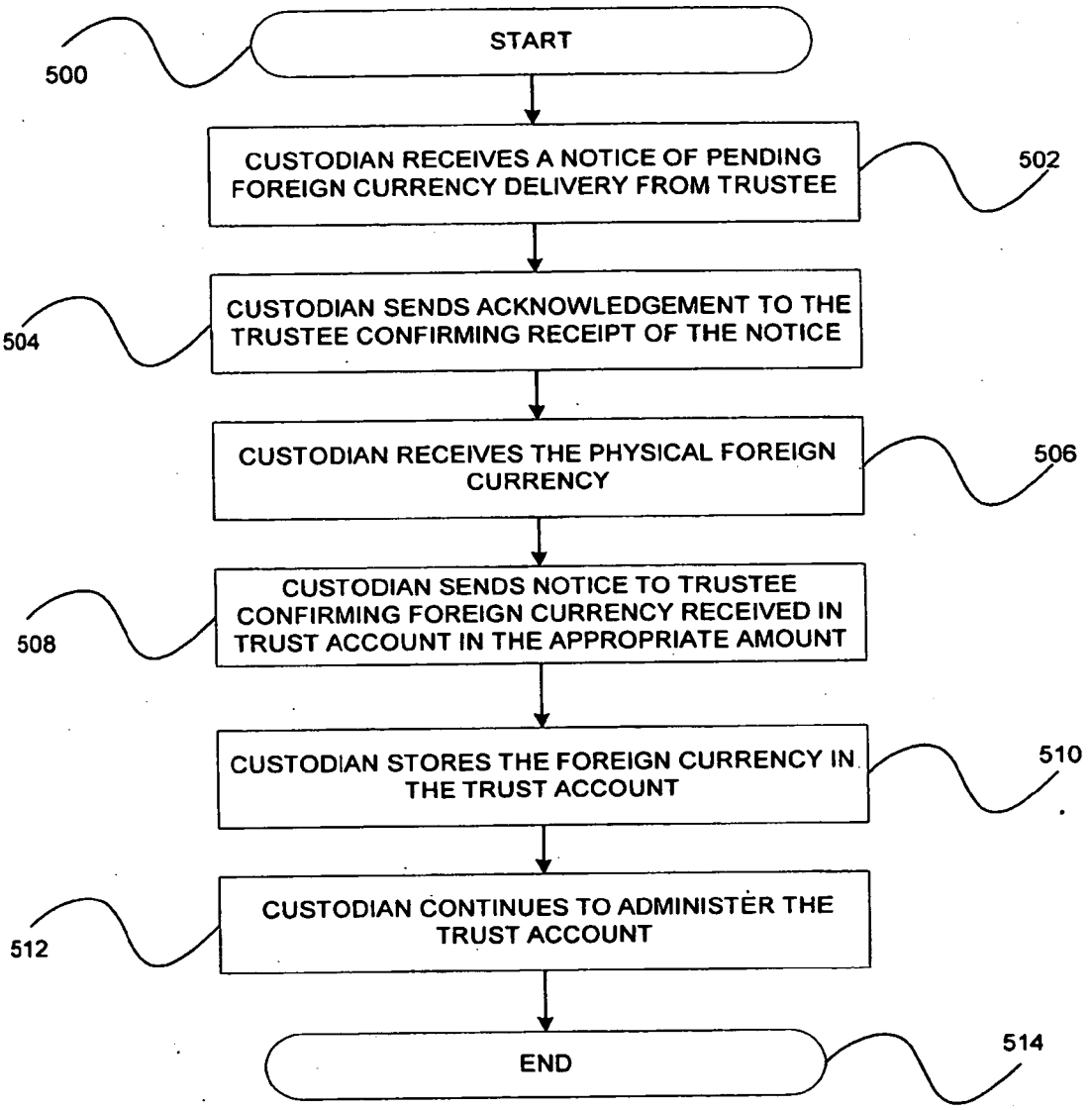
FIGURE 4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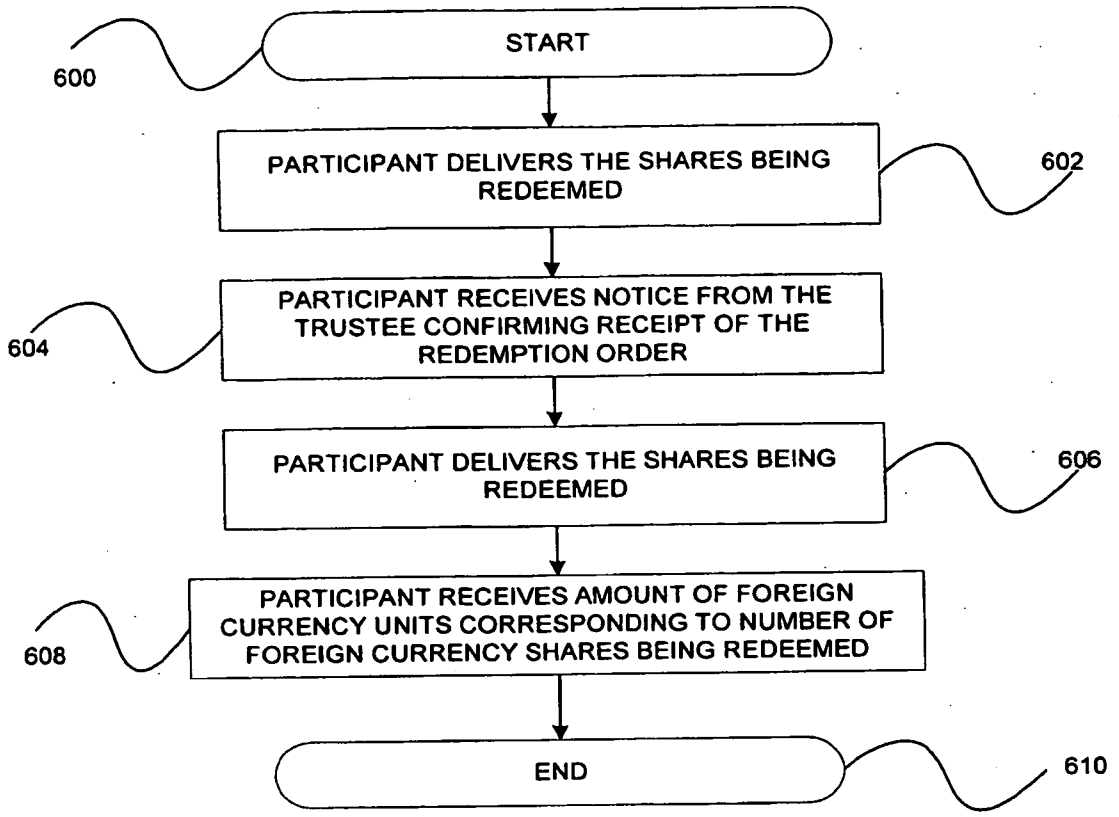
502
CUSTODIAN SENDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO THE TRUSTEE CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE
504
CUSTODIAN RECEIVES THE PHYSICAL FOREIGN CURRENCY
506
CUSTODIAN SENDS NOTICE TO TRUSTEE CONFIRMING FOREIGN CURRENCY RECEIVED IN TRUST ACCOUNT IN THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT
508
CUSTODIAN STORES THE FOREIGN CURRENCY IN THE TRUST ACCOUNT
510
CUSTODIAN CONTINUES TO ADMINISTER THE TRUST ACCOUNT
512
END
514

FIGURE 5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PARTICIPANT DELIVERS THE SHARES BEING REDEEMED
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PARTICIPANT RECEIVES NOTICE FROM THE TRUSTEE CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE REDEMPTION ORDER
604
PARTICIPANT DELIVERS THE SHARES BEING REDEEMED
606
PARTICIPANT RECEIVES AMOUNT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY UNITS CORRESPONDING TO NUMBER OF FOREIGN CURRENCY SHARES BEING REDEEMED
608
END
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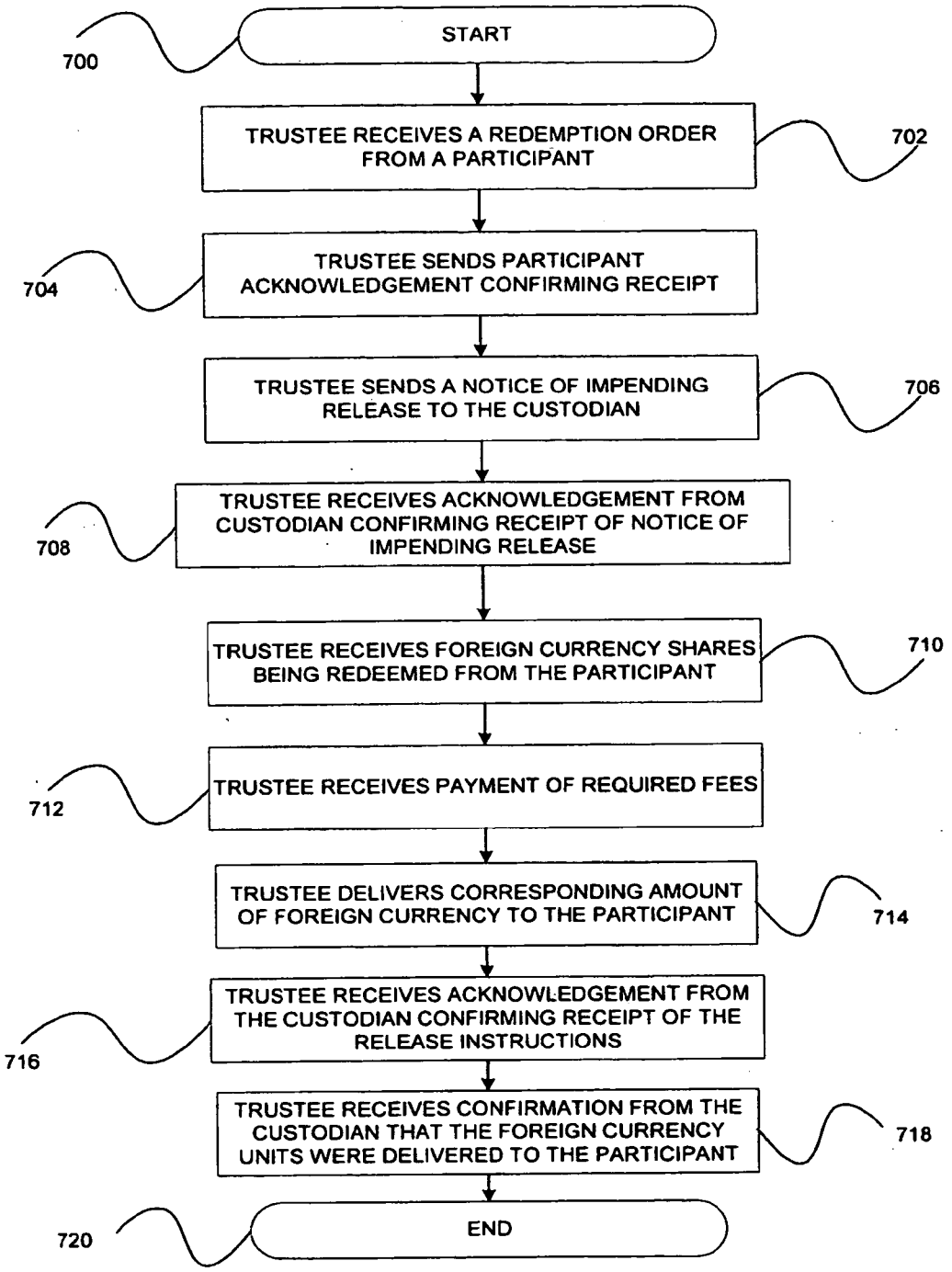
FIGURE 6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TRUSTEE SENDS PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT CONFIRMING RECEIPT
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706
TRUSTEE RECEIVES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM CUSTODIAN CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF NOTICE OF IMPENDING RELEASE
708
TRUSTEE RECEIVES FOREIGN CURRENCY SHARES BEING REDEEMED FROM THE PARTICIPANT
710
TRUSTEE RECEIVES PAYMENT OF REQUIRED FEES
712
TRUSTEE DELIVERS CORRESPONDING AMOUNT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY TO THE PARTICIPANT
714
TRUSTEE RECEIVES ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM THE CUSTODIAN CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS
716
TRUSTEE RECEIVES CONFIRMATION FROM THE CUSTODIAN THAT THE FOREIGN CURRENCY UNITS WERE DELIVERED TO THE PARTICIPANT
718
END
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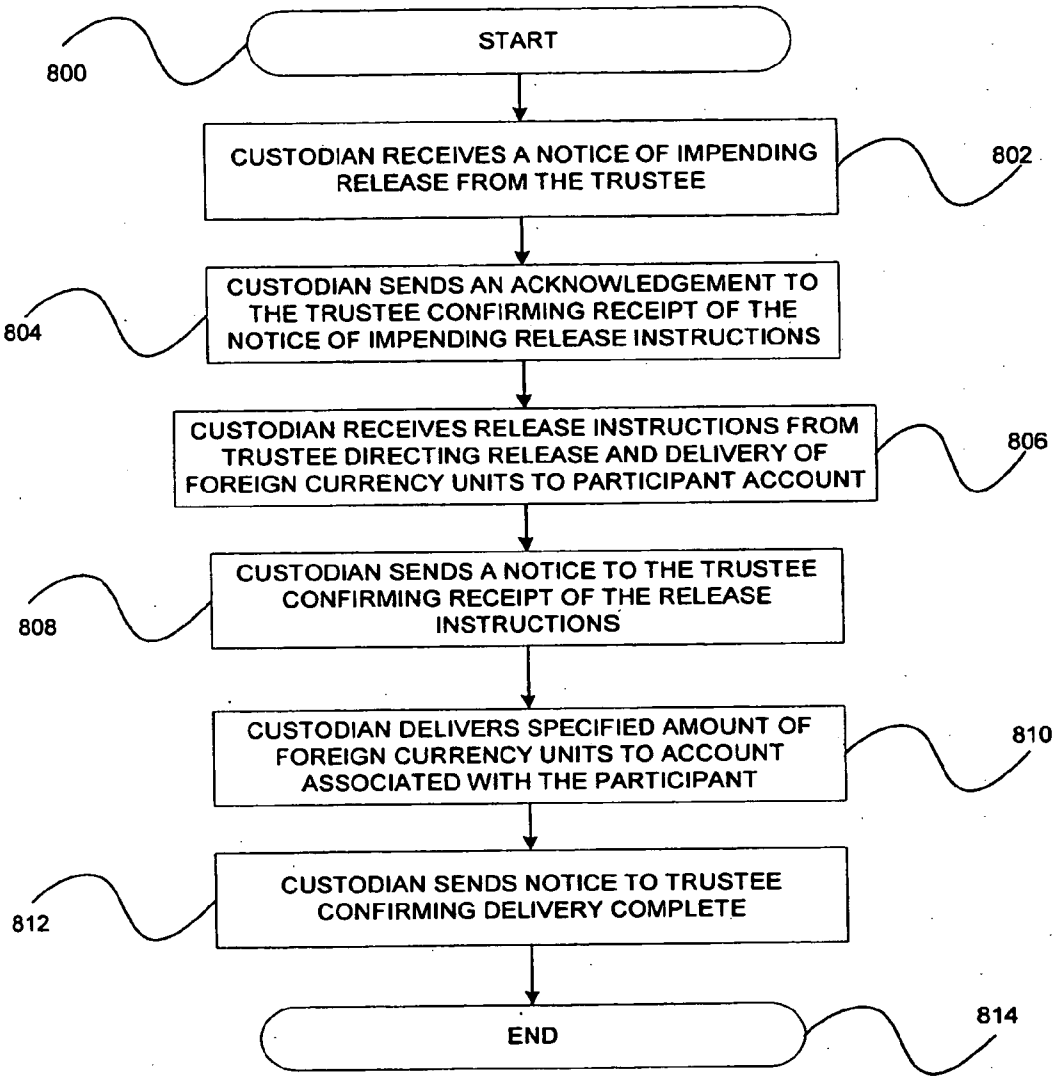
FIGURE 7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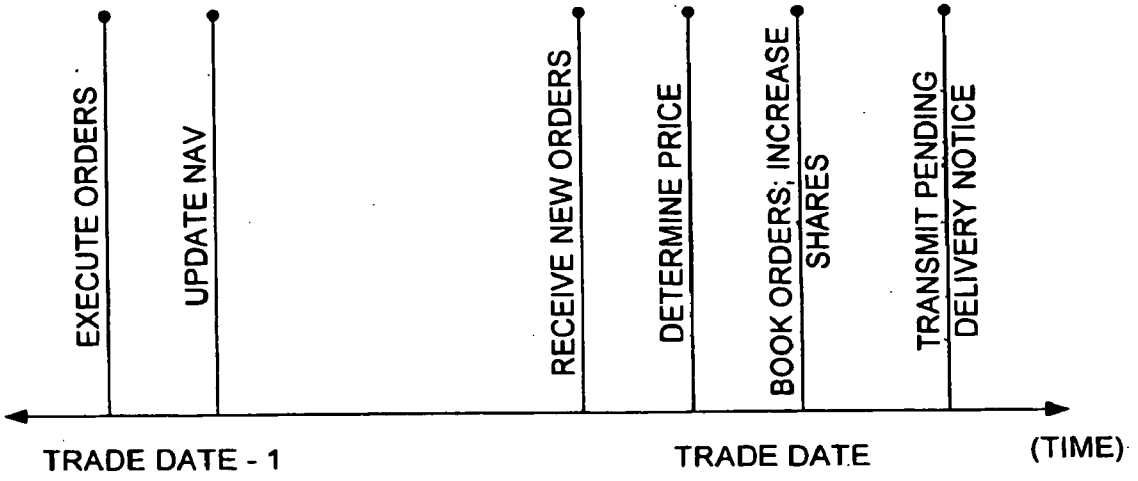
802
CUSTODIAN SENDS AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO THE TRUSTEE CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE NOTICE OF IMPENDING RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS
804
CUSTODIAN RECEIVES RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS FROM TRUSTEE DIRECTING RELEASE AND DELIVERY OF FOREIGN CURRENCY UNITS TO PARTICIPANT ACCOUNT
806
CUSTODIAN SENDS A NOTICE TO THE TRUSTEE CONFIRMING RECEIPT OF THE RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS
808
CUSTODIAN DELIVERS SPECIFIED AMOUNT OF FOREIGN CURRENCY UNITS TO ACCOUNT ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARTICIPANT
810
CUSTODIAN SENDS NOTICE TO TRUSTEE CONFIRMING DELIVERY COMPLETE
812
END
814

FIGURE 8



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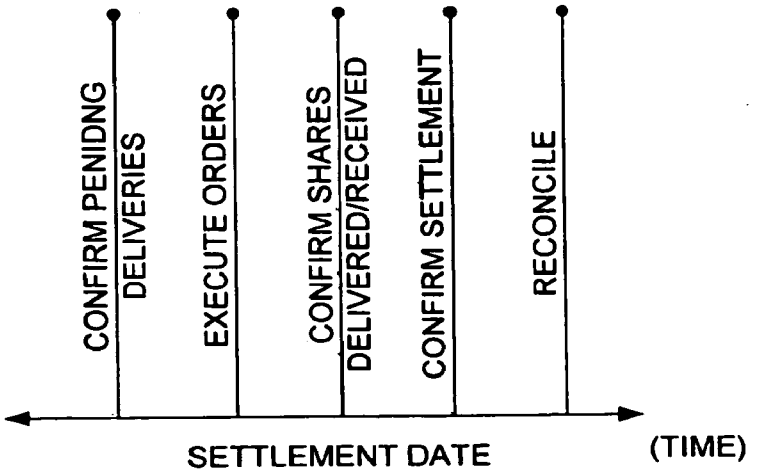

FIGURE 10

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SECURITIZING A CURRENCY RELATED COMMODITY

[0001] This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to U.S. Non-Provisional patent application Ser. No. 10/680,589, entitled "Systems and Method for Securitizing a Commodity", filed Oct. 6, 2003, which in turn claimed priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 to U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/415,764, entitled "Method and System for Equalizing a Commodity," filed Oct. 4, 2002, both applications being incorporated herein in their entirety.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] 1. Field of the Invention

[0003] The present invention relates to exchange-traded equity securities, and particularly to a method and system for securitizing a physical commodity.

[0004] 2. Description of Related Art

[0005] There are many barriers to owning certain commodities that have prevented investors from investing in the commodities, which, in turn, can lead to a less liquid and transparent market. Foreign currency (i.e., non-United States of America currency), for example, has historically had barriers to entry for individual investors. Barriers exist in both investing logistics and in cost. Most currency trading is done by banks and broker dealers, through spot transactions, forwards and foreign exchange swaps. The difficulty in understanding the logistics required in these transactions, as well as the fees for these transactions, have made foreign currency markets relatively inaccessible to individual investors and to smaller institutional investors as well. In addition, the foreign currency market is an over-the-counter market, lacking the transparency and economy of exchange-traded securities. The current fee structure for such foreign currency transactions is particularly disadvantageous to active traders.

[0006] Regardless of whether an investor is institutional or individual, there is no mechanism for investing in foreign currency that does not require the use of spot contracts, forwards or futures, which can be costly. The economy of scale required for investing on the level of larger U.S. banks and broker/dealers is out of reach for most individual investors.

[0007] Accordingly, there is no existing mechanism that facilitates trading in foreign currency, in such a way as to overcome these historical barriers.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

[0008] The present invention comprises systems and methods for securitizing foreign currency. According to at least one embodiment of the invention, a foreign currency trust or other special-purpose vehicle (hereafter collectively referred to as a "Trust") is established to hold a particular foreign currency and to issue foreign currency trust shares and/or receipts corresponding to the value of the foreign currency held by the Trust. The foreign currency trust shares may represent a proportional interest in the Trust and/or the foreign currency held by the trust. The Trust may include one or more Trust accounts to receive and store the foreign currency deposited with the Trust.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0009] Features, aspects, and details of the various embodiments of the invention are described in conjunction with the attached drawings, in which:

[0010] FIG. **1** is a diagram illustrating a foreign currency trust in accordance with one embodiment;

[0011] FIG. **2** is a diagram illustrating a foreign currency trust system comprising a custodian in accordance with another embodiment of the invention;

[0012] FIG. **3** is a flow chart illustrating a method for creating shares within the system of figure two from the perspective of a participant in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0013] FIG. **4** is a flow chart illustrating a method for creating shares within the system of figure two from the perspective of a Trustee in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0014] FIG. **5** is a flow chart illustrating a method for creating shares within the system of figure two from the perspective of a custodian in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0015] FIG. **6** is a flow chart illustrating a method for redeeming shares within the system of figure two from the perspective of a participant in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0016] FIG. **7** is a flow chart illustrating a method for redeeming shares within the system of figure two from the perspective of a Trustee in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0017] FIG. **8** is a flow chart illustrating a method for redeeming shares within the system of figure two from the perspective of a custodian in accordance with one embodiment of the invention;

[0018] FIG. **9** is a time line illustrating the steps performed by a Trustee leading up to a trade date with respect to a creation or redemption transaction in accordance with one embodiment; and

[0019] FIG. **10** is a time line illustrating the steps performed by a Trustee on a settlement date with respect to a creation or redemption transaction in accordance with one embodiment.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

[0020] While some of the embodiments below are described in relation to the securitization of foreign currency, it will be understood that the systems and methods described herein can apply equally to other types of commodities. Other commodities can include, for example; silver, platinum, palladium, ferrous and base metals, oil and gas products, energy and industrial minerals, and soft commodities such as sugar or grains, to name just a few. Thus, the following descriptions should not be understood to limit the system and methods described herein to any particular type of commodity.

[0021] As one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize, the securitizing of a commodity results in an exchange-tradable instrument that represents ownership of an interest

in commodity assets. As explained herein, in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention, those assets may include, for example, an amount of a first currency, e.g., a foreign currency, having a particular value. Moreover, as with securitizing of any commodity, the value of the corresponding exchange-tradable instrument has a value; however, it would be well understood by one of ordinary skill in the art that, when the assets include foreign currency, the value of the exchange-tradable instrument is denominated in a second currency different from the first currency.

[0022] Moreover, shares resulting from the securitization may represent undivided beneficial interests in the assets (first currency) with a market value (denominated in the second currency) that fluctuates in response to, for example, changes in value of the underlying first currency. Thus, one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that shares may have a value representative of the relative values of the first currency, the second currency or both. For example, if the exchange-tradable instrument resulting from securitization is tradable on a U.S. exchange, a first currency, i.e., that currency included in the Trust assets, may be a non-U.S. currency and the second currency may be U.S. dollars.

[0023] The utility of securitizing various commodities should be readily understood by one of ordinary skill in the art because it is well known that securitization enables the purchase or redemption of corresponding shares using a trading system. Thus, shares may be issued to an investor in exchange for an investment amount. Moreover, as would be recognized by one of ordinary sill in the art, the exchange-tradable instrument resulting from securitization may be the basis for purchase/redemption of options through an options trading system.

[0024] FIG. **1** illustrates a Trust **100** according to an embodiment of the present invention. Particularly, Trust **100** comprises a Trustee **110**, a Trust account **115**, a number (N) of foreign currency units **120**, and a number of equity foreign currency trust shares **130** representing an interest in Trust **100**. In accordance with at least one embodiment, Trustee **110** serves as both the administrator of the Trust **100** and custodian of the Trust account **115**. According to at least one other embodiment, a Trustee(s) serves as the administrator of the Trust **100** while a separate entity is appointed act as custodian for the Trust accounts. Assets held by the Trust **100** include foreign currency trust units **120**, which can include foreign currency such as Euros, Yen, Pounds, etc., which may be individually identified and tracked by the serial number(s) and/or foreign currency receipts **122** representing an interest in amount of foreign currency (explained herein). However, Trust **100** is specific to only one type of foreign currency. Thus, Euros and Yen may not be included in the same trust; rather, each foreign currency type must have its own trust.

[0025] The Trust **100** can be administered by a Trustee **110** (i.e., a trustee, administrator, issuing agent, or the like) that among other things, receives and stores the foreign currency in the Trust account(s) **115** for and on behalf of participants of the Trust **100** (i.e., authorized depositors), issues foreign currency trust shares to each participant corresponding to the value of the foreign currency being stored on their behalf and administers the Trust **100** on a day-to-day basis by, for example, keeping record of Trust expenses and periodically determining the net asset value of the foreign currency trust shares. Holders of the foreign currency trust shares may redeem them to receive actual units of the foreign currency stored in the Trust account, e.g., foreign currency.

[0026] According to at least one embodiment, the Trustee may appoint one or more custodians or sub-custodians to maintain and administer the foreign currency(ies) for and on behalf of the Trustee. Such a custodian or sub-custodian may be a recognized and/or authorized depository for the particular commodity in question. Alternatively, the custodians/sub-custodians may be appointed by the sponsor of the Trust, the issuer of the commodity shares and/or any other entity recognized as the offeror or registrant of the commodity shares.

[0027] The foreign currency trust shares can be traded on a major securities exchange such as the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), the American Stock Exchange (AMEX), the National Association of Securities Dealers Automatic Quotation System (NASDAQ), or any other exchange or Electronic Communication Network (ECN), thereby creating a robust secondary market for the foreign currency trust shares.

[0028] According to at least one other embodiment, Trust **100** may also hold an amount of U.S. currency from fees collected, the proceeds of cash market transactions and the like. U.S. currency held in Trust account **100** can, in accordance with certain embodiments, be invested, e.g., in time deposits, overnight accounts, money market, funds, etc. Trust **100** may also accrue interest and/or dividends and Trustee **10** may remit dividends and/or other distributions to participants in Trust **100**. Interest and/or dividends may also be converted into foreign currency trust units.

[0029] Equity foreign currency trust shares **130** can be issued by Trustee **10** for a value corresponding to an amount of foreign currency trust units **120** held by the Trust in the Trust account **115**. For example, one equity share **130** can correspond to one foreign currency unit **120**, to a fractional interest in one foreign currency unit as needed to make the equity shares affordable and attractive to potential investors.

[0030] As would be well understood by one of ordinary skill in the art, the securitizing of the Trust assets creates a Trust share that is capable of being traded on a trading system and able to be purchased and redeemed through the Trust.

[0031] In operation, participants in Trust **100** can obtain new foreign currency trust shares **130** of Trust **100** by depositing physical foreign currency trust units **120** into Trust account **115** in exchange for a number of foreign currency trust shares **130** of corresponding value. Participants can also redeem foreign currency trust shares **130** of the Trust **100** by transferring their foreign currency trust shares **130** to Trustee **10** and receiving corresponding amounts of foreign currency trust units **120** in return.

[0032] It should also be noted that in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention, foreign currency receipts representing foreign currency can also be deposited and/or redeemed, either to make up for the difference between an amount of foreign currency trust units **120** being deposited or returned and the value of the foreign currency trust shares **130** being created or redeemed as explained below, or in place of the actual deposit and transfer of units of physical foreign currency **120**.

[0033] In accordance with at least one embodiment, only certain participants in the Trust are authorized to create and redeem foreign currency trust shares **130** of Trust **100**. For example, in accordance with at least one embodiment, an authorized participant must be a registered broker-dealer or other securities market participant who is also a participant in a Central Securities Depository (CSD), which acts as the security depository for foreign currency trust shares **130**. In accordance with at least one other embodiment, however, participant in the Trust **100** can create foreign currency trust shares **130** as long as they give Trustee **110** instructions as to which, e.g., CSD account is to be used.

[0034] Furthermore, a limit can be imposed on the number of shares that can be redeemed and/or created at a given time. For example, in accordance with at least one embodiment, the Trust will only create and/or redeem foreign currency trust shares **130** in baskets of 100,000 shares at a time. An authorized participant can create baskets of shares and subsequently make the foreign currency trust shares **130** available in smaller amounts to individual investors in the secondary market. Alternatively, the Trustee **110** may limit requests to create and/or redeem foreign currency trust shares **130** to only shares that are at or above a specified minimum value. For example, in accordance with at least one embodiment, the Trustee **110** may not create foreign currency trust shares **130** for a request that is below a minimum value of approximately $400,000.

[0035] In accordance with at least one other embodiment, any individual can redeem shares as long as they redeem through and authorized participant, e.g., a participant with a CSD account. In such an embodiment, a minimum number of foreign currency trust shares **130** to be redeemed can still apply, but this minimum may be set at a lower threshold in order to appeal, for example, to retail customers. In accordance with at least one embodiment, for example, a minimum threshold on the range of 40-80 foreign currency trust shares **130** can be used. However, a transaction fee may still apply as with other redemption transactions described herein.

[0036] In accordance with various embodiments, Trust account **115** can also include a certain amount of foreign currency receipts **122**. Foreign currency receipts **122** may be used to represent amounts of foreign currency that can then be used in conjunction with the creation and redemption of foreign currency trust shares **130**. For example, upon creation or redemption of foreign currency trust shares **130**, a relatively small amount of foreign currency receipts, representing foreign currency **122**, can be deposited with, or withdrawn from, Trust account **115**. The use of the foreign currency receipts can be necessary when, for example, the foreign currency delivered to, or withdrawn from, Trust account **115** can vary slightly from unit to unit. Thus, it is not always possible to deliver the exact amount of foreign currency corresponding to the foreign currency unit(s) **120** being created or redeemed.

[0037] Foreign currency receipts **122** can be traded in small increments, down to fractions of a particular foreign currency unit **120**, $1/100^{th}$ for example. In accordance with at least one embodiment, physical foreign currency **120** delivered for a creation comprise units of foreign currency up to but not over the amount required, with the shortfall made up by the delivery of foreign currency receipts **122** from a participant. Upon redemption, Trustee **110** can deliver to a participant up to but not over the amount of foreign currency units required, with the shortfall made up by Trustee **110** delivering foreign currency receipts **122** to the participant. In accordance with at least one other embodiment of the present invention, U.S. dollars can be provided instead of foreign currency receipts **122** to make up the difference between the creation and redemption ounces required and the actual foreign currency delivered to or by the Trust **100**.

[0038] It should be noted that foreign currency can be maintained by a bank or a broker dealer in a custody account as part of a general pool of foreign currency. Depending on the embodiment, trades in foreign currency can take place between foreign currency accounts by trading the foreign currency or by trading foreign currency receipts. For example, in at least one embodiment, trades can be cleared through transfers in or out of foreign currency accounts at one or more banks or broker/dealer firms. The firms can then clear their net trades with one another through delivery of physical foreign currency, book entry transactions, or delivery of foreign currency receipts.

[0039] Thus, in accordance with at least one embodiment, when Trustee **110** receives foreign currency receipts, individual foreign currency trust units **120** are not assigned to foreign currency trust **115**. Similarly, when Trustee **110** delivers foreign currency receipts, no corresponding foreign currency trust units **120** are delivered; however, depending on the embodiment, foreign currency receipts can be transferable to foreign currency, i.e., to foreign currency trust units **120** in foreign currency trust **115**, on demand.

[0040] According to at least one embodiment, Trustee **110** is not the custodian of Trust account **115**. Rather, custody of Trust account **115** may be delegated to one or more custodians and sub-custodians who actually receive and store the foreign currency trust units **120** for Trustee **110**. Trustee **110** may appoint such a custodian/sub-custodian if, for example, Trustee **110** does not have a significant foreign currency exchange capabilities or Trustee **110** is not a qualified depository of foreign currency. Moreover, at the direction of Trustee **110**, the custodian/sub-custodian can take delivery of and distribute foreign currency trust units **120** directly from/to the participants. If Trustee **110** does have some capacity to receive and store foreign currency, custody of the foreign currency can be shared among Trustee **110** and one or more custodians and sub-custodians. For purposes of this application, custodian and sub-custodian shall hereafter be referred to collectively as "Custodian."

[0041] FIG. **2** is a diagram of a foreign currency trust system **200** in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention including Trustee **202**, participant **204**, Trust **203** and a Custodian **206**. In accordance with at least one embodiment, participant **204** is a registered broker-dealer or other securities market participant who is also a participant in a CSD **208**. After Trustee **202** has issued a basket of shares to participant **204**, the shares can be made available to other investors **210** via one or more securities exchanges.

[0042] In general, the process of creating foreign currency foreign currency trust shares **130** may be as illustrated in FIG. **2**B and explained herein in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. A Participant **204** sends a creation order to Trustee **202**, which may include a request to create a specified number of foreign currency trust shares

130 or to create a number of shares corresponding to a specified amount of foreign currency. Trustee **202** may respond to the creation order with an acknowledgement, which acknowledgement may include instructions to the participant **204** on how to deliver the foreign currency trust units **120** to the Trust account **115** and in what amounts. Trustee **202** may also notify the Custodian **206** of the pending delivery of foreign currency trust units **120** to Trust account **115**. Custodian **206** notifies Trustee **202** when the required amount of foreign currency trust units **120** have been deposited into the Trust account **115** by participant **204**. Trustee **202** then instructs CSD **208** to create and release a corresponding number of foreign currency trust shares **130** to participant **204**.

[**0043**] FIG. **3** is a flow chart depicting an exemplary process for creating foreign currency trust shares **130** from the viewpoint of participant according to one embodiment of the invention. The process begins at **300** and proceeds to **302**, at which the participant sends a creation order to the Trustee. The creation order may indicate the amount of shares requested, the number of baskets of shares requested and/or the amount of units to be deposited.

[**0044**] It should be noted that there often will be costs associated with maintaining the Trust. Thus, the actual value of a foreign currency trust share may be based on or equal to the value of the associated amount of units minus an allocated portion of any costs associated with maintaining the Trust and/or with the creation or redemption of shares.

[**0045**] The process proceeds to **304**, at which the participant receives acknowledgement from the Trustee confirming receipt of the creation order. Subsequently, at **306**, the participant initiates an acquisition of foreign currency sufficient to cover the requested shares. For example, if the participant has requested the creation of one basket of shares corresponding to 500,000 Euros, then the participant initiates the acquisition of that 500,000 Euros at **306**. The process then proceeds to **308**, at which the participant settles the foreign currency acquisition and delivers the acquired foreign currency to the trust account at **310**. The participant may also tender U.S. dollars or foreign currency receipts to the Trust account to make up for any shortfall between the actual amount of foreign currency delivered at **310** and the amount required to cover the requested shares. In exchange for the delivered foreign currency, and foreign currency receipts or U.S. dollars, as the case may be, the participant receives foreign currency trust shares at **312**. Subsequently, the process proceeds to **314**, at which the process ends.

[**0046**] A participant can acquire foreign currency in various ways. For example, a participant can purchase futures and convert the foreign currency futures into foreign currency units in what is conventionally referred to as an "Exchange For Physical" (EFP) transaction. In such transactions, the participant may maintain a custodial account with at least one foreign currency depository. Furthermore, assuming that the Trust account is also held by one of the depositories (i.e., the Custodian is also a foreign currency depository) the participant can request that the foreign currency depository transfer foreign currency from the participant's depository account to the Trust account. Clearing time of foreign currency from a depository to the Trust account can be one day, assuming the Custodian is also a depository bank, as the case may be.

[**0047**] Alternatively, a participant may purchase foreign currency units in a cash (spot) market transaction by simply buying the required amount of units on the open market from a currency trader, or from the Custodian. The currency trader can deliver the purchased units to the Trust account. A participant may also acquire foreign currency units through a forward transaction, which settles on a date beyond the typical spot settlement date. In addition, participants may "swap" one currency for the foreign currency units, or use foreign currency options to acquire the foreign currency units. Because the participant may be required to pay all costs associated with delivering the foreign currency into and out of the Trust account, creation of shares through one of the above market transactions has potentially high costs for participant.

[**0048**] FIG. **4** is a diagram illustrating an exemplary process for creating foreign currency trust shares from the perspective of the Trustee in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. The process begins at **400** and proceeds to **402** at which the Trustee receives a creation order from a participant. The process then proceeds to **404**, at which the Trustee generates and sends an acknowledgement to the participant confirming receipt of the creation order. The acknowledgement may include instructions on how to deliver the foreign currency to Trust account.

[**0049**] Control then proceeds to **406**, at which the Trustee sends a notice of pending foreign currency delivery to the Custodian, which notice may include, for example, an amount of units to be delivered and an identity of the participant. At **408**, Trustee receives an acknowledgement from the Custodian confirming receipt of the notice of pending foreign currency delivery.

[**0050**] Subsequently, at **410**, the Trustee receives confirmation from the Custodian that foreign currency units have been deposited in Trust account. At **412**, the Trustee also receives payment of any required fees, e.g., transactions fees to cover costs and expenses of the Trust, which fees may be paid by, for example, the participant or from the assets held in the Trust account. The process then proceeds to **414**, at which the Trustee causes an amount of foreign currency trust shares corresponding to the amount of deposited foreign currency units to be created and released to the participant. Subsequently, the process proceeds to **416**, at which the process ends.

[**0051**] In accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention, the shares are created and released to the participant through the CSD. Alternatively, the Custodian may initiate the release of the shares instead of the Trustee.

[**0052**] FIG. **5** is a flow chart illustrating an exemplary process for creation of foreign currency trust shares from the perspective of a Custodian in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. The process begins at **500** and proceeds to **502**, at which the Custodian receives a notice of pending foreign currency delivery from a Trustee, which notice may include, for example, an amount of foreign currency units to be delivered and an identity of a participant initiating the delivery. Subsequently at **504**, the Custodian sends an acknowledgement to the Trustee confirming receipt of the notice of pending foreign currency delivery.

[**0053**] The process continues to **506**, at which the Custodian takes receipt of the foreign currency, e.g., through and

electronic transfer, physical delivery, etc., and, in at **508**, sends a notice to the Trustee confirming that the foreign currency was received in the Trust account in the appropriate amount. Subsequently, at **510**, the Custodian stores the foreign currency in the Trust account, and, at **512**, continues to administer the Trust account. Among other things, the Custodian may periodically generate and issue reports to the Trustee indicating the amount of foreign currency held in the Trust account and showing activity in the account over a specified period. Subsequently, the process proceeds to **514**, at which the process ends.

[**0054**] Referring again to FIG. **2**, in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention, the process of redeeming foreign currency trust shares may be as follows. Participant **204** may send a redemption order to Trustee **202**. Trustee **202** may instruct participant **204** to tender the shares to Trustee's CSD account. Trustee **202** may confirm that the shares have been transferred into the Trustee's CSD account. Thereafter, Trustee **202** may tender a corresponding amount of foreign currency to participant **204** by, for example, instructing Custodian **206** to transfer foreign currency in Trust account **115** to an account associated with participant **204** and receiving confirmation from Custodian **206** that the transfer is complete.

[**0055**] Turning to FIG. **6**, a flow chart illustrates an exemplary process for redeeming foreign currency trust shares from the perspective of the participant in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. The process begins at **600** and continues to **602**, at which a participant sends a redemption order to the Trustee. The redemption order may indicate the number of foreign currency trust shares **130**, or baskets of shares, being redeemed.

[**0056**] At **604**, the participant receives notice from the Trustee confirming receipt of the redemption order. The process continues to **606**, at which the participant delivers the shares being redeemed by, for example, transferring the shares from its CSD account to the Trustee's CSD account. Subsequently, at **608**, the participant receives an amount of foreign currency units corresponding to the number of foreign currency trust shares being redeemed. A certain amount of cash or foreign currency receipts may also be delivered, or transferred to an account associated with the participant to make up for any difference between the actual amount of units delivered at **608** and the amount of foreign currency required to cover the redeemed shares. Alternatively, if the amount of foreign currency delivered exceeds the requisite amount based on the redeemed shares, then the participant may be required to deliver a certain amount of cash or foreign currency receipts to account for the excess. Subsequently, the process proceeds to **610**, at which the process ends.

[**0057**] FIG. **7** is a flow chart illustrating an exemplary process for redeeming foreign currency trust shares from the perspective of the Trustee according to at least one embodiment of the invention. The process begins at **700** and continues to **702**, at which the Trustee receives a redemption order from a participant and sends an acknowledgement at **704** confirming receipt of the same. The redemption order may indicate the amount of foreign currency trust shares being redeemed and the identity of the participant. The process continues to **706**, at which the Trustee sends a notice of impending release to the Custodian. The notice of impending release may include provisional instructions directing the Custodian to release and transfer a specified amount of units to an account associated with the participant. The process then continues to **708**, at which the Trustee receives an acknowledgement from the Custodian confirming receipt of the notice of impending release.

[**0058**] Subsequently, at **710**, the Trustee receives the foreign currency trust shares being redeemed from the participant by, for example, having the shares delivered via the CSD and the Trustee receiving notice from its CSD agent confirming receipt of the shares. The process proceeds to **712**, at which the Trustee also receives payment of any required fees, e.g., transaction fees to cover costs and expenses of the Trust incurred in connection with the redemption order, which fees may be paid by, for example, the participant or from the assets held in the Trust account. Control then proceeds to **714**, at which the Trustee delivers a corresponding amount of foreign currency to the participant by, for example, sending release instructions to the Custodian directing the Custodian to release and deliver the foreign currency to an account associated with the participant, i.e., directing the Custodian to execute the provisional instructions included in the earlier notice of impending release. The process then proceeds to **716**, at which the Trustee receives an acknowledgement from the Custodian confirming receipt of the release instructions. The process then proceeds to **718**, at which the Trustee receives confirmation from the Custodian that the foreign currency units were delivered to the participant. Subsequently, the process proceeds to **720**, at which the process ends.

[**0059**] FIG. **8** is a flow chart illustrating an exemplary process for redeeming foreign currency trust shares from the perspective of the Custodian in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. The process begins at **800** and proceeds to **802**, at which the Custodian receives a notice of impending release from the Trustee, which notice may include provisional instructions directing the Custodian to release and deliver a specified amount of foreign currency trust units to an account associated with an identified participant. The process then proceeds to **804**, at which the Custodian sends an acknowledgement to the Trustee confirming receipt of the notice of impending release instructions. Subsequently, at **806**, the Custodian receives release instructions from the Trustee directing the Custodian to release and deliver a specified amount of foreign currency units to an account associated with an identified participant, i.e., directing the Custodian to execute the provisional release instructions included in the earlier notice. The process then proceeds to **808**, at which the Custodian sends a notice to the Trustee confirming receipt of the release instructions and, at **810**, the Custodian delivers a specified amount of foreign currency units to an account associated with the participant. Subsequently, at **812**, the Custodian sends a notice to the Trustee confirming that the delivery is complete. Then, the process proceeds to **814**, at which the process ends.

[**0060**] According to at least one embodiment of the invention, a Trust account may comprise an unallocated Trust account. An unallocated Trust account is a foreign currency account maintained in the name of the account holder (e.g., the Trustee **202**) in which foreign currency is received and held on an "unallocated basis" for the account holder, i.e., the Trustee **202** has no interest in specific foreign currency

trust units held in the account. Instead, the account holder is entitled to an unsegmented quantity of the Custodian's inventory of foreign currency standing to the credit of the Trust.

[0061] According to at least one embodiment of the invention, all transfers of foreign currency into and out of the Trust in connection with the creation and redemption of shares may be done through credits and debits to the unallocated Trust account as follows. Upon creation of trust shares, foreign currency may be transferred into the Trust by crediting a quantity of foreign currency deposited by the participant to the unallocated Trust account. Thereafter, the Custodian transfers the deposited amount of foreign currency from the unallocated Trust account to the allocated Trust account by transferring specific foreign currency trust units held in the Custodian's inventory into the allocated Trust account corresponding to the quantity of foreign currency deposited in the unallocated Trust account (to the extent that the deposited quantity can be represented by whole foreign currency trust units). Because the deposited foreign currency amount is allocated in multiples of whole units only, the amount of foreign currency allocated from the unallocated Trust account to the allocated Trust account may be less than the total foreign currency quantity deposited by the participant. The balance may continue to be held in the unallocated Trust account.

[0062] The process of transferring foreign currency out of Trust in connection with a redemption of shares may follow the same general procedure described above in reference to creation of shares, only in reverse.

[0063] It should be noted that foreign currency trust shares can represent an equity interest in the foreign currency Trust. Thus, each share would represent a proportionate interest in the foreign currency Trust and the value of each trust share should track the proportionate value of foreign currency trust. Alternatively, foreign currency trust shares can represent some other form of redeemable "marker" that represents a proportionate interest in the Trust. For example, each share can actually be a debt instrument or a hybrid equity/debt instrument. In other words, a participant can be seen as loaning a certain amount of foreign currency to the Trust. In return for the loan, the Trustee can cause a certain amount of shares (thought of in this context as notes) to be delivered to the participant. Each note could, for example, represent one unit of foreign currency. Notes could still be created in baskets, e.g., of 500,000 notes, and the value of each note could still be approximately equal to the proportionate value of the Trust.

[0064] Thus, the invention described herein, and specifically the term "share(s)" should be understood as covering any type of exchange-traded security. As a result of this alteration, a note creation process may involve creating notes that can still be traded on a secondary market and redeemed for the associated amount of foreign currency. Thus, it should be understood that the systems and methods described herein are not dependant on whether shares represent equity or debt instruments.

[0065] It should be understood that foreign currency receipts may actually be the redeemable marker, e.g., in embodiments where foreign currency receipts are created and redeemed as opposed to the physical foreign currency as described above.

[0066] It should also be understood that the role of custodian can also be performed by the Trustee. In other words, if the Trustee has the capability, then the Trustee can receive, store and deliver foreign currency as required.

[0067] In accordance with at least one embodiment, the minimum amount of purchase or redemption for a primary market, i.e., the market consisting of participants, correlates with the foreign currency futures market, to facilitate purchase of shares and improve liquidity, transparency, and hedging alternatives. No minimum purchase or redemption amounts, however, need apply to the secondary market, except for any existing exchange minimums.

[0068] The Trust can thus provide benefits to both the institutional and retail markets by providing a liquid security the performance of which correlates with the performance of foreign currency, or some other commodity. In addition, significant hedging of trust shares with, e.g., the foreign currency futures market can also be facilitated. As is often the case with ETFs, liquidity and hedging alternatives work to keep spreads tight between the bid and ask on trust shares.

[0069] In accordance with at least one other embodiment, a participant may elect to deliver or receive U.S. dollars instead of delivering or receiving foreign currency trust units to/from the Trust.

[0070] In the case of a creation order, the participant may elect to deliver U.S. dollars corresponding to the amount of foreign currency that is required to create the requested foreign currency trust shares. Thereafter, the Trustee may use the U.S. dollars to buy the required foreign currency on the spot market. The purchased foreign currency is then deposited in the Trust account and the corresponding foreign currency trust shares are delivered to the participant as described above in reference to the process for creating foreign currency trust shares.

[0071] In the case of a redemption order, the participant may elect to receive U.S. dollars value for the foreign currency corresponding to the tendered foreign currency trust shares. In that event, Trustee may withdraw the foreign currency from the Trust account, sell the foreign currency on the open market and give the proceeds to the participant.

[0072] In both creation and redemption orders, if the Trustee is not a qualified broker/dealer for foreign currency, then the Trustee may engage a qualified broker/dealer to perform the buy/sell transactions described herein.

[0073] FIG. **9** is a timeline illustrating when certain actions are taken by a Trustee in relation to a trade date for a given trade in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. As illustrated in FIG. **9**, the day before the trade (Trade date−1), the Trustee can execute previous creation and/or redemption orders and set up an account in a clearing system. That clearing system may be implemented in whole or part in the internal system used by Trustee to clear transactions. Thus, on that same day, the Trustee can update the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the Trust based on the executed creation and/or redemption orders.

[0074] On the trade date, the Trustee can receive new creation and/or redemption orders from a participant. In accordance with at least one embodiment, all such orders received before a certain publicly disclosed time may be associated with that date. The Trustee can then price the new

creation and/or redemption orders based on the NAV determined from the previous day. The Trustee can subsequently book the new creation and/or redemption orders and cause the outstanding foreign currency trust shares to be correspondingly increased. The Trustee may then send a pending delivery notice to the Custodian, as described above.

[0075] FIG. **10** is a timeline illustrating the action that can be taken by Trustee on a settlement date for a given transaction in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention. On the settlement date, the Trustee can confirm all pending deliveries to or form a Custodian. The Trustee can then cause the execution of all pending deliveries. For example, all pending deliveries can be executed on the trade date plus one day (trade date+1). In certain embodiments, execution on the day after the trade date can require that the creation and/or redemption orders are received before a certain cut-off time on the trade date. It should also be understood that, in some circumstances, the trade date may be the same day as the settlement date. The Trustee can then receive confirmation that the requisite foreign currency was delivered to or from the Custodian.

[0076] The created foreign currency trust shares can be delivered from or to the CSD; additionally, the Trustee can confirm the settlement of all share transactions. All foreign currency and foreign currency receipt positions can then be reconciled for the day.

[0077] In certain embodiments the Trust's NAV, mentioned above, can be determined by the Trustee at the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) on each business day. The NAV can represent the aggregate value of the assets of the Trust less its liabilities, which include accrued expenses briefly mentioned and described above. In determining NAV, the Trustee can, depending on the embodiment, value foreign currency trust units held in the Trust based on the exchange rate for that foreign currency as determined by a reputable international currency valuation source, at, e.g., at 4:00 PM Similarly, the Trustee can also determine the NAV per foreign currency trust share.

[0078] The ordinary operating expenses associated with the Trust can be accrued daily and can be reflected in the NAV of the Trust as well. In order to pay the Trust's expenses, the Trustee can sell foreign currency held by the Trust on an as needed basis. Expenses can include fees and expenses of the Trustee, expenses associated with custody of the foreign currency trust units, printing and mailing costs, legal and audit fees, Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) registration fees, and stock exchange listing fees, i.e., fees associated with listing foreign currency trust shares on a secondary market in order to make them available to investors.

[0079] In accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention, at least some portion of the currency included in the Trust may be transferred into an interest bearing account(s), e.g. a sweep account(s), repurchase agreements, time deposits, etc., at, for example, the Custodian or another institution indefinitely or on a periodic basis, e.g., nightly. Such an account is also specific to a particular type of currency; therefore, each account may not include more then one type of currency. As a result, interest may be generated on the portion of the currency included in the account(s). That generated interest may be used to cover partially or completely cover the Trust expenses described above. As a result, in accordance with at least one embodiment of the invention, there is no need to sell foreign currency held by the Trust to pay Trust expenses.

[0080] Utility of the invention stems at least in part from the capability to provide investors with securities lending income as a result of the securitized nature by which the investor holds its interest in foreign currency. Investors may wish to lend their foreign currency trust shares with the intention of generating securities lending income. This income would supplement any additional interest or other type of income generated by the Trust and distributed to the Trust's investors. Moreover, by providing a securitized investment tool associated with foreign currency, the invention encourages greater investor participation in the foreign currency market(s). For example, some institutional investors have specific requirements regarding how much of their portfolio may be in particular types of assets. Because the invention provides exposure to foreign currency in an equitized form, would-be investors are able to consider an investment which, otherwise, would not have been permitted under its predetermined investment guidelines.

[0081] Additionally, the present invention may enable overcoming certain barriers-to-entry traditionally associated with investing in foreign currency.

[0082] It should be understood that, although invention embodiments have been described above in conjunction with a Trust, various embodiments of the invention may be implemented with other legal constructs, for example, any type of monetary fund that allows for acceptance of assets and issuance of corresponding shares representing some equity interest in those assets.

[0083] Further, as explained above, the commodity assets may not be limited to a single type of currency. Thus, assets held in a Trust or fund may include more then one type or currency. For example, the assets may comprise a "basket" of currencies, wherein the basket may contain fixed amounts of multiple currencies. As a further option, the fixed amounts of currencies may be weighted by a selected weighting mechanism that results in an appropriate proxy for an intended benchmark of currencies, as would be understood by one of ordinary skill in the art.

[0084] Moreover, one of ordinary skill in the art would recognize that various underlying agreements and operations are inherent within Trust or monetary fund operations. For example, the establishment of a Trust or other monetary fund, by definition requires that assets are held, e.g., by a custodian, for the benefit of a third party, e.g., investors, and an agreement with the custodian that directs the custodian to invest the assets according to at least one designated parameter; these characteristics are inherent in all Trusts or monetary funds.

[0085] While certain embodiments of the inventions have been described above, it will be understood that the embodiments described are by way of example only. Accordingly, the scope of the invention should not be limited based on the described embodiments. Rather, the scope of the invention described herein should only be limited in light of the claims that follow when taken in conjunction with the above description and accompanying drawings.

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11. A tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in a commodity, wherein the commodity has a value, and wherein the tradable instrument has a value, and wherein the value of the tradable instrument is represented as a relative value of the commodity in relation to a currency.

12. The tradable instrument of claim 11, wherein the commodity is a foreign currency.

13. A tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in a fund asset, wherein the fund asset has a value represented in at least one first currency, and wherein the fund asset has a value denominated in a second currency different from the first currency, and wherein the fund asset has a value representative of the relative values of the at least one first currency and the second currency.

14. The tradable instrument as recited in claim 13, wherein the first currency is a non-U.S. currency and the second currency is U.S. dollars.

15. The tradable instrument as recited in claim 13, wherein the at least one first currency comprises a plurality of different currencies.

16. The tradable instrument as recited in claim 13, wherein the at least one first currency comprises any of a currency index and a basket of currencies.

17. A tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in a fund asset, wherein the fund asset represents at least one non-U.S. currency, and wherein the fund asset has a value denominated in U.S. dollars, and wherein the fund asset has a value representative of the relative values of such non-U.S. currency and the U.S. dollar.

18. An instrument issued by a statutory trust comprising a trust share that represents an undivided beneficial interest in a portfolio of at least one first currency with a market value denominated in a second currency different from the at least one first currency that fluctuates in response to changes in value of the underlying at least one first currency.

19. The instrument as recited in claim 18, wherein the trust share is capable of being traded on a trading system and able to be purchased and redeemed through the trust.

20. The instrument as recited in claim 18, wherein the first currency is a non-U.S. currency and the second currency is U.S. dollars.

21. An instrument issued by a statutory trust comprising a trust receipt that represents an undivided beneficial interest in a portfolio of at least one first currency with a market value denominated in a second currency different from the at least one first currency that fluctuates in response to changes in value of the underlying at least one first currency.

22. The instrument as recited in claim 21, wherein the share is capable of being traded on a trading system and able to be purchased and redeemed through the trust.

23. The instrument of claim 21, wherein the first currency is a non-U.S. currency and the second currency is U.S. dollars.

24. An instrument issued by a statutory trust comprising a trust share that represents an undivided beneficial interest in a portfolio of at least one non-U.S. currency with a market value denominated in U.S. currency that will fluctuate in response to changes in value of the underlying non-U.S. currency, the instrument being tradable on a trading system.

25. The instrument as recited in claim 24, wherein the trust share is capable of being purchased and redeemed through the trust.

26. An instrument issued by a statutory trust comprising a trust receipt that represents an undivided beneficial interest in a portfolio of at least one non-U.S. currency with a market value denominated in U.S. currency that will fluctuate in response to changes in value of the underlying non-U.S. currency, the instrument being tradable on a trading system.

27. The instrument as recited in claim 26, wherein the trust receipt is capable of being purchased and redeemed through the trust.

28. A trading system, comprising: a fund held by a custodian and consisting of at least one first currency; and a tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in the fund and having a value denominated in a second currency different from the at least one first currency and representative of the relative values of said at least one first currency and the second currency, the instrument being issued to an investor in exchange for an investment amount.

29. The trading system as recited in claim 28 wherein the at least one first currency is invested in interest bearing accounts providing for a market rate of return.

30. The trading system as recited in claim 29, wherein the at least one first currency is a non-U.S. currency and the second currency is U.S. dollars.

31. The trading system as recited in claim 30, wherein the first currency is a plurality of different currencies.

32. A trading system, comprising a fund held by a custodian and consisting of at least one non-U.S. currency and invested at market rates of return, and a tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in the fund and having a value denominated in U.S. dollars and representative of the relative values of at least one non-U.S. currency and the U.S. dollar, the instrument being issued to an investor in exchange for an investment amount.

33. The trading system as recited in claim 32, wherein the investment amount is the second currency.

34. A trading system, comprising: a statutory trust, the assets of which consist of at least one first currency bearing interest at market rates of return and held by a custodian for the benefit of investors; and an instrument issued by the trust representing an undivided beneficial interest in the trust assets, the instrument having a value denominated in a second currency different from the first currency and being tradable on a stock exchange and similar trading systems.

35. The system as recited in claim 34, wherein the instrument is capable of being purchased and redeemed through the trust.

36. The trading system as recited in claim 35, wherein the at least one first currency is a non-U.S. currency and the second currency is U.S. dollars.

37. The trading system as recited in claim 35, wherein the at least one first currency is a plurality of different currencies.

38. A trading system, comprising: a statutory trust, the assets of which consist of at least one non-U.S. currency bearing a return and held by a custodian for the benefit of investors; and an instrument issued by the trust representing an undivided beneficial interest in the trust assets, the instrument having a value denominated in U.S. currency and being tradable on a stock exchange and similar trading systems.

39. The trading system as recited in claim 38, wherein the instrument is capable of being purchased and redeemed through the trust.

40. A method of investing, comprising accepting from an investor an investment amount in at least one first currency; establishing a fund with a custodian; investing said at least one first currency in assets denominated in said at least one first currency that bears a return; and issuing to said investor a tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in the fund and having a value denominated in a second currency different from the first currency and representative of the relative values of said at least one first currency or currencies and the second currency.

41. The method as recited in claim 40, wherein the assets comprise any of demand deposits and money market accounts.

42. The method as recited in claim 40, wherein the first currency is U.S. dollars and the second currency is at least one non-U.S. currency.

43. The method as recited in claim 42, wherein the at least one non-U.S. currency comprises a plurality of different currencies.

44. The method as recited in claim 42, wherein the at least one non-U.S. currency comprises a currency index.

45. The method as recited in claim 40, further comprising facilitating the ability to buy and/or sell options on the tradable instrument through an options trading system.

46. A method of investing, comprising accepting from an investor an investment amount in at least one first currency, establishing a monetary fund; and issuing to said investor a tradable instrument representing ownership of an interest in the fund and having a value denominated in a second currency different from the at least one first currency and representative of the relative values of said at least one first currency and the second currency.

47. The method as recited claim 46, further comprising facilitating the ability to buy and/or sell options on the tradable instrument through an options trading system.

48. The method as recited in claim 46, further comprising investing said at least one first currency to generate a return.

49. A method of investing comprising: establishing a financial construct comprising any of a monetary fund and a trust the assets of which are held by a custodian for the benefit of investors; entering into an agreement with the custodian that directs the custodian to invest the assets of the financial construct according to at least one designated parameter, comprising any of investing in an account comprising any of interest-bearing deposit and money market accounts with multiple banking institutions and to issue a representation of an ownership interest in the financial construct comprising any of a share and receipt to investors in exchange for the deposit by an investor of at least one currency with the trustee of the trust; and redeeming representation of the ownership interest in the financial construct; and delivering currency in exchange for the representation of the ownership interest in the financial construct redeemed, the representation of the ownership interest in the financial construct being tradable on a trading system.

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