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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 14/627,703	<b>Applicant(s)</b> UNAK ET AL.	
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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 05/29/2017.  
☐ A declaration(s)/affidavit(s) under **37 CFR 1.130(b)** was/were filed on \_\_\_\_.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ An election was made by the applicant in response to a restriction requirement set forth during the interview on \_\_\_\_; the restriction requirement and election have been incorporated into this action.
- 4) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims\*

- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are pending in the application.  
5a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 1-21 is/are rejected.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 9) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

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### Application Papers

- 10) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 11) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

#### Certified copies:

- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some\*\*    c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\*\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08a and/or PTO/SB/08b)
- 3) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_.

### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This action is responsive to the following communication: Claim Amendments and Remarks filed on May 29, 2017. **This action is made final.**
2. Claims 1-21 are pending in the case; Claims 1, 8, and 15 are independent.
3. In the Non-Final Rejection mailed on December 30, 2016 (see pgs. 2-4), Claims 8-14 were rejected under 35 USC § 101 but Claim Amendments filed on May 29, 2017 have rendered this rejection moot; in the Non-Final Rejection it was also noted that Claims 15-21 were interpreted as being directed to a computing system implemented at least in part in hardware – in Claim Amendments filed on May 29, 2017, independent Claim 15 was amended to explicitly recite that the computing system includes hardware.

### ***Claim Objections***

4. Claim 4 is objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 4, as amended, recites “The computer-implemented method of claim wherein ...” but it does not specify which Claim it is dependent upon. For the purposes of examination, it is presumed that Claim 4 depends from Claim 1.

Appropriate correction is required.

### ***Response to Arguments***

5. Applicant’s arguments with respect to 35 U.S.C. § 103 Rejection of Claims 1-21 (see Remarks filed May 29, 2017, pgs. 8-9), have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further

consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of Sacco, as discussed below.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a)(1) the claimed invention was patented, described in a printed publication, or in public use, on sale or otherwise available to the public before the effective filing date of the claimed invention.

6. **Claims 1-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a)(1) as being anticipated by Giovanni Maria Sacco (hereinafter Sacco), “The intelligent e-store: easy interactive product selection and comparison,” Proceedings of the Seventh IEEE International Conference on E-Commerce Technology, published in 2005.**

**As to independent Claim 1**, Sacco teaches a computer-implemented method, executed on a computer, the computer-implemented method comprising:

- rendering a first-level menu for an online catalog, wherein the first-level menu defines a plurality of first-level categories (see Fig. 1, § 4.1, showing the initial taxonomic summary).
- associating a match quantity with each of the plurality of first-level categories (see Fig. 1, § 4.1, showing associated quantity with each category corresponding to a count of items classified under each category).

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- receiving a first response from a user of the online catalog that defines a selected first-level category, chosen from the plurality of first-level categories (see Fig. 2, § 4.1, showing preparation to zoom on a particular category which results in computation of corresponding sub-categories and modification of the count corresponding to the category in focus – a sub-tree/category is expanded and displayed on the user interface (i.e., first category: zoom [59] is expanded into second category: max optical zoom [53] (which can be further expanded into sub-category: 3x zoom [25])).
- rendering a plurality of second-level categories, associated with the selected first-level category, in a subordinate fashion with respect to the selected first-level category (see Fig. 2, §§ 4.1 and 4.2, showing preparation to perform a zoom).

With respect to **dependent Claim 2**, Sacco teaches wherein the method further includes the step of adjusting the matching quantity for each of the plurality of first-level categories based on the user response and wherein rendering a plurality of second-level categories includes: rendering a plurality of non-selected first-level categories (see Fig. 3, § 4.1, showing updated taxonomy to reflect the user's input (zoom operation to focus on a particular category/attribute); see also § 4.2 showing that in Fig. 1, there were 60 cameras under "Brand" but in Fig. 3 (corresponding to the user input illustrated in Fig. 2) there are only 30 cameras under "Brand").



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