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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference AKAM-360-PCT	<b>FOR FURTHER ACTION</b> see Form PCT/ISA/220 as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.	
International application No. <b>PCT/US2019/063598</b>	International filing date ( <i>day/month/year</i> ) <b>27 November 2019 (27.11.2019)</b>	(Earliest) Priority Date ( <i>day/month/year</i> ) 27 November 2018 (27.11.2018)
Applicant <b>AKAMAI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.</b>		

This International search report has been prepared by this International Searching Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 18. A copy is being transmitted to the International Bureau.

This international search report consists of a total of 3 sheets.

It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

1. **Basis of the report**

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

the international application in the language in which it was filed

a translation of the international application into \_\_\_\_\_, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b))

b.  This international search report has been established taking into account the **rectification of an obvious mistake** authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43.6bis(a)).

c.  With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2.  **Certain claims were found unsearchable** (See Box No. II)

3.  **Unity of invention is lacking** (See Box No. III)

4. With regard to the **title**,

the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the **abstract**,

the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2, by this Authority as it appears in Box No. IV. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. With regard to the drawings,

a. the figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 14

as suggested by the applicant.

as selected by this Authority, because the applicant failed to suggest a figure.

as selected by this Authority, because this figure better characterizes the invention.

b.  none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER****H04L 9/06(2006.01)i, H04L 9/14(2006.01)i, H04L 9/32(2006.01)i, G06Q 20/06(2012.01)i, G06Q 20/36(2012.01)i, G06Q 20/38(2012.01)i**

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)

H04L 9/06; G06F 17/30; H04L 29/06; H04L 29/08; H04L 9/08; H04L 9/14; H04L 9/32; G06Q 20/06; G06Q 20/36; G06Q 20/38

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

Korean utility models and applications for utility models

Japanese utility models and applications for utility models

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

eKOMPASS(KIPO internal) &amp; Keywords: blockchain, block segmentation, distributed, fork resolution, confidence, consensus, mining

**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	EMANUEL FERREIRA JESUS et al., `A Survey of How to Use Blockchain to Secure Internet of Things and the Stalker Attack`, Hindawi, Security and Communication Networks, Vol. 2018, Article ID 9675050, 08 April 2018 pages 5-6, 10, 12	1-14
A	US 2017-0344580 A1 (MASTERCARD INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED) 30 November 2017 paragraphs [0017]-[0030]; and figure 1	1-14
A	US 2017-0323392 A1 (LANCE KASPER et al.) 09 November 2017 paragraphs [0084]-[0089]; and figure 8	1-14
A	WO 2017-162904 A1 (NOKIA TECHNOLOGIES OY) 28 September 2017 claims 1-9	1-14
A	WENTING LI et al., `Securing Proof-of-Stake Blockchain Protocols`, In: Data Privacy Management, Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain Technology; ESORICS 2017 International Workshops, DPM 2017 and CBT 2017, Oslo, Norway, September 14-15, 2017, pp. 297-315, September 2017 sections 2-3	1-14

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

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