

instructions sent from an authorized user, said instructions being sent as IP packets over the communications network; and
 computer coded instructions associated with said server and said computer processors to selectively control and monitor the system to include (i) activation and deactivation of said radio bridge as controlled by said first computer and to prevent activation and deactivation control at said communication endpoint, and (ii) to produce visual displays on said user interfaces; and
 wherein said visual displays include an activation or status screen showing a Channel Take Over feature, said Channel Take Over feature indicating whether the authorized user has interrupted the ability of radio transmissions at selected endpoint locations.

3. A method of communicating radio transmissions between communicants having respective radio systems, said method comprising:
 providing:
 (i) an emergency call center having a first user interface for viewing a status of an emergency communication system;
 (ii) at least one communication endpoint having a second user interface for viewing a status of the emergency communication system;
 (iii) a communications server for managing communications between users located at said emergency call center and said at least one communication endpoint;
 (iv) a communications network for interconnecting the communications server, the emergency call center, and the at least one communication endpoint, the server, the emergency call center, and the at least one communication endpoint each having respective IP addresses;
 (v) a public radio system comprising a plurality of public safety radios, at least one public safety radio being associated with said emergency call center or an emergency responder location;
 (vi) a local radio system comprising a plurality of local radios, at least one local radio being associated with the communication endpoint;
 (vii) a radio bridge for facilitating direct radio communications between the public safety radio system and the local radio system, the radio bridge including hardware to enable bridging between the radio systems, said bridge further including a processor that communicates with said communications server to receive activation and deactivation instructions, said instructions being sent by IP packets over the communications network;
 (viii) computer coded instructions associated with said server and a computer processor located at said emergency call center, said computer coded instructions to selectively control and monitor the local radio system to include activation and deactivation of the radio bridge and to produce visual displays on said user interfaces;
 providing a Channel Take Over feature associated with the emergency call center;
 using the Channel Take Over feature to selectively activate and deactivate the radio bridge to said at least one communication endpoint for a selected period of time,

said Channel Take Over feature including at least one of (i) disconnection of the bridge by said instructions being sent as IP packets or (ii) generation of a dominating radio signal at a selected location(s) for which the Channel Take Over feature is to be activated to temporarily interrupt transmissions generated from those location(s).

4. A method, as claimed in claim 3, wherein:
 said Channel Take Over feature further includes activating and deactivating the radio bridge by manipulation of one or more icons on the first or second user interface.

5. A method, as claimed in claim 3, wherein:
 said computer coded instructions are configured to prevent activation and deactivation control of said radio bridge at said communication endpoint.

6. A method of communicating radio transmissions between communicants having respective radio systems, said method comprising:
 providing:
 (i) an emergency call center location having a first user interface for viewing a status of an emergency communication system;
 (ii) a communication endpoint location having a second user interface for viewing a status of the emergency communication system;
 (iii) a communications server for managing communications between users of the respective user interfaces located at said emergency call center location and said communication endpoint location;
 (iv) a communications network for interconnecting the communications server and the locations, the server and each of the locations having respective IP addresses;
 (v) a public radio system comprising a plurality of public safety radios, at least one public safety radio being associated with said emergency call center or an emergency responder location;
 (vi) a local radio system comprising a plurality of local radios, at least one local radio being associated with the communication endpoint;
 (vii) a radio bridge for facilitating direct radio communications between the public safety radio system and the local radio system, the radio bridge including hardware to enable bridging between the radio systems, said bridge further including a processor that communicates with said communications server to receive activation and deactivation instructions, said instructions being sent by IP packets over a communications network;
 (viii) computer coded instructions associated with said server and respective computer processors at said emergency responder and communication endpoint locations, said computer software coded instructions to selectively control and monitor the system to include activation and deactivation of the radio bridge and to produce visual displays on said user interfaces; and
 generating a visual display including an activation or status screen on the first or second user interfaces showing an Audio Detect feature, said Audio Detect feature being an indication of which communication endpoints are currently transmitting radio communications at that time.