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the remote switching system receiving a telecommunication call via a first call path from a telecommunication unit connected to a central switching system;

the remote switching system terminating the received telecommunication call on a software agent executing in the remote switching system;

the software agent establishing a second call path to the main switching system;

the software agent combining the first call path and the second call path; and

the main switching system transmitting a call proceeding message on the first call path whereby the telecommunication unit receives the call proceeding message via the remote switching system and the central switching system.

7. The system of claim 6 further comprises a packet switching network interconnecting the remote switching system and main switching system and the second call path is setup through the packet switching network.

8. The system of claim 6 wherein the call proceeding message is a dial tone.

9. The system of claim 6 wherein the software agent combines the first call path and the second call path by requesting the remote switching system to perform the combining.

10. The system of claim 9 wherein the remote switching system comprises a switching network and the first call path and second call path are interconnected by the switching network.

11. A method controlling telecommunication calls by a software agent, comprising, the steps of:

dialing a first telecommunication call by a telephone set that designates the software agent as a designation endpoint;

receiving the first telecommunication call via a first call path by the software agent;

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establishing by the software agent a second call path to a main switching system via a remote switching system upon which the software agent is executing; and

requesting by the software agent that the remote switching system combine the first call path and second call path upon receipt of a call proceeding message from the main switching system.

12. The method of claim 11 wherein the first call path is communicated via a central switching system to the remote switching system.

13. The method of claim 11 wherein the call proceeding message is a dial tone.

14. An apparatus for facilitating an interconnection of a unit telephone set connected to a central switching system to a main switching system via a remote switching system with the remote switching system and main switching system being interconnected by a packet switching network, comprising:

means for receiving a telecommunication call on a first call path from the central switching system originated by the telephone set where the means for receiving is designated as a destination endpoint for the first call path by the telephone set;

means for transferring the telecommunication call;

means for terminating the transferred telecommunication call;

means for establishing a second call path to the main switching system via the packet switching network; and

means for combining the first call path and the second call path whereby the telephone set is interconnected to the main switching system.

15. The apparatus of claim 14 further comprises means in the main switching system for transmitting a call proceeding message.

16. The apparatus of claim 15 wherein in the call proceeding message is a dial tone.

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