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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO9966703A1] Where real-time transmission is not required, for example in a voicebank application, a message can be sent more efficiently (requiring less bandwidth) using packetised data transmissions for re-assembly at the remote end. The voice messaging system of the invention comprises a voicemail system for receiving and storing audio messages in a telephone network, a packetiser for converting said audio messages into data packets, and a means of transmitting said data packets to a terminal during the progress of another call, either during silent periods or as an out-of-band signal. The terminal (1) has means for storing said data packets (14) and assembling them into (15) an audio message for subsequent playback. By transmitting the message in packet form, network capacity is used more effectively. The system can also be used for sending messages to a voicebank, using suitable equipment in the user equipment (1) to buffer the outgoing message.

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