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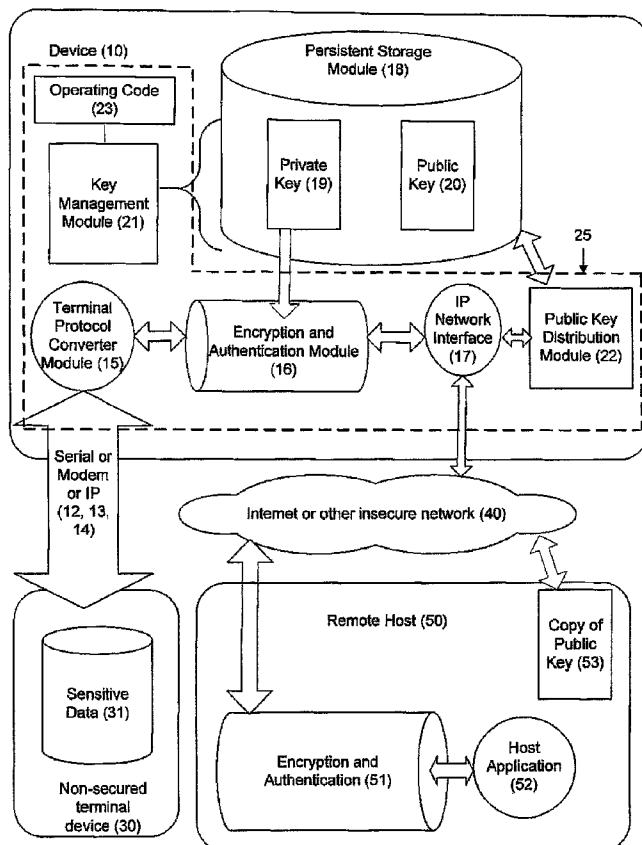
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(57) Abstract: A security enabler device has a key management module adapted to generate and store security keys and to destroy the generated keys if necessary to protect security. An encryption and authentication module is linked to the data storage module and is adapted to use the security keys to provide secure network communications for a terminal device connected to or incorporated in the security enabler device. The key management module operates in conjunction with an operating code module to prevent access to at least one of the security keys from outside the security enabler device.

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