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(54) **METHODS, APPARATUSES, COMPUTER PROGRAMS AND COMPUTER-READABLE MEDIA FOR SCALABLE VIDEO CODING AND TRANSMISSION**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Residual data is obtained based on first and second representations of an image at a first level of quality. The second representation is based on a representation of the image at a second, lower level of quality. The residual data is useable by a decoder to reconstruct the first representation using the second representation. A configuration message comprising a header part and a payload part is generated and output for processing by the decoder. The payload part comprises obtained configuration data relating to processing of the residual data. The header part comprises: (i) a message type parameter specifying a configuration message type and indicating a given payload format of the payload part, a format size of a payload part having said payload format is predetermined or can be determined from the content of the payload part, and (ii) a payload size parameter specifying the actual size of the payload part.

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Input data 206

U/S data 214

Residuals 216

Higher level

Lower level

D/S data 212

Processed data 213

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