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#### (57)**ABSTRACT**

Certain example embodiments provide systems, methods, apparatuses, and computer program products for control short control signal (SCS) in downlink. For example, certain embodiments may provide for a method examining whether a signal to be transmitted by a network element belongs to a first group or to another group based on a transmission time instance of the signal, a beam or beams of the signal, a beam index or beam indices of the signal and/or a type of the signal; determining an allowance of time or resources of a time period for one or more short control signals; determining whether to transmit the signal as one or more short control signals based on the group the signal belongs to and on the allowance; and transmitting the signal either as one or more short control signals, or as a signal subject to listen before talk procedure.

