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(54) **DEVICES AND METHODS FOR REMOTE DIRECT MEMORY ACCESS**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A requesting device includes a memory, a controller, and a communication interface. The memory is configured to store a plurality of work elements in one or more requesting queues. Each work element indicates a requestor, a responder, and an operation. The controller is configured to retrieve at least a first work element of the plurality of work elements from the memory, generate a first hint message that includes an indication of at least one operation of the first work element, and transmit the first hint message to a first responding device over the communication interface. The first responding device corresponds to a first responder of the first work element. The controller is further configured to transmit a first request relating to the at least one operation of the first work element to the first responding device over the communication interface. The first request indicates the at least one operation.

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STORE WORK ELEMENTS IN MEMORY, WORK ELEMENT INDICATING REQUESTOR, RESPONDER, OPERATION
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RETRIEVE WORK ELEMENT FROM MEMORY
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GENERATE HINT MESSAGE, HINT MESSAGE COMPRISING INDICATION OF OPERATION
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TRANSMIT HINT MESSAGE TO RESPONDING DEVICE OVER COMUNICATION INTERFACE
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TRANSMIT REQUEST TO RESPONDING DEVICE OVER COMMUNICATION INTERFACE, REQUEST INDICATING OPERATION
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