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have invented certain improvements in

Method For Controlling Computer, Computer, And Storage Medium

and executed, respectively, a United States patent application therefor on

(1) September 14th, 2000 and (2) September 18th, 2000

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