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ABSTRACT

A personal home surveillance system(PHSS) is a low cost web based security system that makes it possible for the users to monitor the events that is happening in their homes while they are away. This study has identified a means of developing a home surveillance system at that is not expensive, but at the same time has the necessary features that are needed to perform optimally. Necessary criteria were used to select the most important features of the surveillance system, and a system development method was adopted to develop the prototype of the system. The usability of the prototype was tested and evaluated using the USE usability test and the results were discussed.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATION

Personal Home Surveillance System	PHSS
Java Server Pages	JSP
Video surveillance system and closed circuit television	CCTV
Home security system on an intelligent network	HSSIN.
Local Area Network	LAN
Community Antenna Television	CATV
Frequently lost objects	FLO
Internet Service Providers	ISP
Hypertext Transfer Protocol	HTTP
Hyper Text Mark up Language	HTML
Wireless sensor networks	WSN
Open service gateway initiative	OSG
Home security system on an intelligent network	HSSIN.
Transmission Control Protocol Internet Protocol	TCP/IP.
File Transfer Protocol	FTP
Unified Modelling Language	UML
Alternative flow	A
Exceptional Flow	E

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

The home video surveillance system is a system that makes it possible for house owners and the security agents to combat crime. Homemade video surveillance is a system that is made to display different sections of the house. In a place where an intruder visits a home leaving threats and doing various vicious activities, the home made video surveillance assist in making a facial recognition of the person for the law enforcement to apprehend. Therefore the security system is made for the convenience and safety of the occupants of a building (Zhao & Ye, 2007). In the early 80's till late 90's, security systems were restricted to the business office environment, government houses, banks, financial institutes, jewellery stores, museums, art galleries and the houses of the rich and affluence. This is because these are the places that are regarded as places that needs high security, also the high cost of the equipments used and the need for highly skilled security professionals for installing the security system makes it more difficult to extend to other areas.

A low cost personal home surveillance system is an application that assists users by displaying the events that is happening in their homes while they are away. The systems have the ability sending alerts to the users irrespective of the distance. The entry of the new millennium brought about a lot of ingenious innovations and thus many open source applications has been developed and made for public use. These have made the cost of

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