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United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

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v.

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> > 2018-1105

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TRADING TECHNOLOGIES INT'L v. IBG LLC

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Appellant

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UNITED STATES, ANDREI IANCU, UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE,

Intervenors

2018-1443

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Before HUGHES, MAYER, and LINN, Circuit Judges.

HUGHES, Circuit Judge.

Trading Technologies International, Inc., appeals four Covered Business Method Review decisions of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board finding Trading Technologies' patents ineligible under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Recently, this Court issued two precedential opinions affirming Board decisions finding several of Trading Technologies related patents unpatentable under § 101. Trading Techs. Int'l, Inc. v. IBG LLC, 921 F.3d 1084 (Fed. Cir. 2019) (IBG I); Trading Techs. Int'l, Inc. v. IBG LLC, 921 F.3d 1378 (Fed. Cir. 2019) (IBG II). The parties submitted supplemental briefing on whether IBG I dictated the outcome of the present appeals. The parties also discussed the effect of IBG I and IBG II at oral argument.

We are not persuaded by Trading Technologies' arguments that the patents at issue here, U.S. Patent Nos. 7,412,416 B2; 7,818,247 B2; 7,685,055 B2; and 7,693,768 B2, are distinguishable from the patents invalidated in *IBG I* and *IBG II*. Like *IBG I* and *IBG II*, the challenged patents "focus[] on improving the trader, not the functioning of the computer." *IBG II*, 921 F.3d at 1383; *see also IBG I*, 921 F.3d at 1091. Although these patents may provide different information than the patents in *IBG I* and

IBG II, information is "intangible" and its "particular content . . . does not change its character as information." *Elec. Power Grp.*, *LLC v. Alstom S.A.*, 830 F.3d 1350, 1353 (Fed. Cir. 2016). We therefore hold that *IBG I* and *IBG II* control and affirm the Board's decisions.

We also find Trading Technologies waived its constitutional arguments. *See IBG II*, 921 F.3d at 1385.

AFFIRMED