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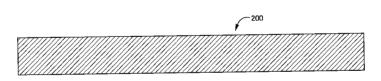
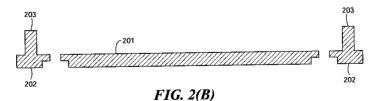


FIG. 2(A)



(57) Abstract: An electronics package is described in which a quad flat no lead (QFN) electronic package has top and bottom surfaces. The bottom surface includes bottom contact pads arranged in a first pattern for electrical connection to corresponding package contact pads of an underlying circuit structure. The top surface includes top contact pads arranged in a second pattern for electrical connection to corresponding bottom contact pads of an overlying electronic package.

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1. claims: 1-3,8-10,15-17

These claims are directed to a stackable leadless package in which top circuit contacts are provided by portions of the leadframe on which the die is mounted. Hence processing of the pedestals takes place prior to assembly of the package.

2. claims: 4-6,11-13,18-20

These claims are directed to a stackable leadless package in which top circuit contacts are provided by filled vias provided in the package. Hence the electrical connections between top and bottoms package surfaces are produced after assembly and packaging.

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