Title: FOREARM REST POSITIONING THE HANDS ABOVE A COMPUTER KEYBOARD OR OTHER INTERFACE

Abstract: A step-like forearm support (6,7,8) that enables the forearm (1) to rest on a platform (6) that is higher than a computer keyboard (3) or other interface while typing, so that the hands will hang downward and the wrist’s angle (α) between the upper back of the forearms and the back of the hands and the angle (β) between the fingers (5) and the back of the hands shall be equal or greater than 180 degrees.
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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(7) : B43L 1/00
US CL : 248/118.1

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

U.S. : 248/118.1, 118, 118.3, 118.5, 918, 346.01, 441.1, 108/147.19, 147.17, 147.21; 400/715, 472, 691, 692, 693

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic database consulted during the international search (name of database and, where practicable, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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1.□ Claim Nos.:
   because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2.□ Claim Nos.:
   because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

3.☒ Claim Nos.: 6-17 and 20-23
   because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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2.□ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.

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