Title: COMPUTER WORKSTATION FOR USE IN AIRCRAFT

Abstract: A workstation comprising (10, 12) a desktop assembly (14) or supporting a display (24) and an input device (20), a base (16) for securing the workstation to an aircraft structure, and means (18) for extending and retracting the desktop assembly between a deployed position and a stowed position.
Declarations under Rule 4.17:

— as to applicant's entitlement to apply for and be granted a patent (Rule 4.17(ii)) for all designations

Published:
— with international search report
— before the expiration of the time limit for amending the claims and to be republished in the event of receipt of amendments

(88) Date of publication of the international search report: 29 December 2004

For two-letter codes and other abbreviations, refer to the "Guidance Notes on Codes and Abbreviations" appearing at the beginning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.
**INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT**

**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IPC</th>
<th>B64D11/00</th>
<th>B64N2/00</th>
<th>B60R11/02</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

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)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IPC</th>
<th>B64D</th>
<th>B60N</th>
<th>B60R</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

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

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data

**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages</th>
<th>Relevant to claim No.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>US 5 279 488 A (FLEMING JAMES) 18 January 1994 (1994-01-18) column 1, lines 13-16</td>
<td>1,6,11</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>US 3 506 303 A (SMITTLE DARRELL G ET AL)</td>
<td>1-4,6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>14 April 1970 (1970-04-14) the whole document</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>WO 99/46146 A (COMMINS ALAN; THOMAS IAN (AU); DIGITAL AUDIO PROCESSING PTY L (AU))</td>
<td>1,2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>16 September 1999 (1999-09-16) page 1, lines 1-6 page 5, line 24 - page 8, line 15; figures</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>Patent family members are listed in annex.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**"A"** document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance

**"S"** earlier document but published on or after the international filing date

**"L"** document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)

**"O"** document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means

**"P"** document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

**"T"** later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention

**"X"** document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone

**"Y"** document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.

**"6"** document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search: 5 August 2004

Date of mailing of the international search report: 23.11.2004

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5516 Patentlaan 2
NL-2280 HV Rijswijk
Tel: (+31-70) 940-0040, Fax: (+31-70) 340-016

Authorized officer

Salentiny, G
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages</th>
<th>Relevant to claim No.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>X</td>
<td>WO 96/05081 A (BRAKS JOUNI TEODOR; INNOVATION SELLING GROUP OY IS (FI)) 22 February 1996 (1996-02-22) the whole document</td>
<td>1,6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>FR 2 663 605 A (AEROSPATIALE) 27 December 1991 (1991-12-27)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Box II  Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of Item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(e) for the following reasons:

1. [ ] Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. [ ] Claims 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. [ ] Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box III  Observations where unity of Invention is lacking (Continuation of Item 3 of first sheet)

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

see additional sheet

1. [ ] As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers all searchable claims.

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

3. [ ] As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. [X] No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this International Search Report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

   1-4, 6, 11

Remark on Protest

[ ] The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant’s protest.

[ ] No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

Form PCT/SA/210 (continuation of first sheet (2)) (January 2004)
This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-4,6,11
   Stowable desktop with weight counterbalancing means

2. claim: 5
   Stowable desktop comprising deployment guidance means

3. claim: 7
   Stowable desktop comprising deployment locking means

4. claims: 8,9
   Stowable desktop comprising position adjustment means for a display

5. claim: 10
   Stowable desktop comprising retaining means for a keyboard
## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

### Information on patent family members

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Patent document cited in search report</th>
<th>Publication date</th>
<th>Patent family member(s)</th>
<th>Publication date</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>US 5279488</td>
<td>18-01-1994</td>
<td>NONE</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>FR 2902957 A5</td>
<td></td>
<td>31-10-1969</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WO 9946146</td>
<td>16-09-1999</td>
<td>AU 2912999 A</td>
<td>27-09-1999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>WO 9946146 A1</td>
<td></td>
<td>16-09-1999</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WO 9605081</td>
<td>22-02-1996</td>
<td>AU 3224295 A</td>
<td>07-03-1996</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>WO 9605081 A1</td>
<td></td>
<td>22-02-1996</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*From PCT/ISA/210 (patent family annex) (January 2004)*