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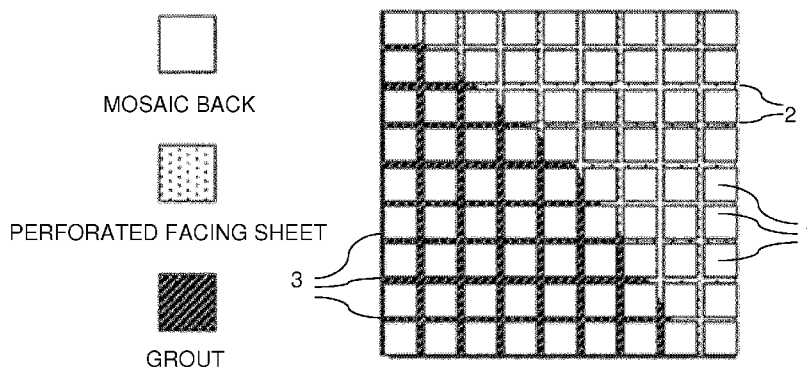


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A sheeted mosaic for fixing on a substrate, comprising a sheet (1) having a first side adhered to the mosaic (2) on a face side of the mosaic. The sheet allows passage of moisture and/or air from the first side to a second side of sheet. The sheet preferably includes a plurality of perforations therein. A laminate for producing such a sheeted mosaic and a method of sheeting using the laminate are provided. A method of applying a sheeted mosaic to a substrate (5) using a fixing material (4) requiring curing, wherein the sheeted mosaic comprises a sheet (1) and an adhesive material adhering the sheet to a face side of the mosaic, the method comprising adhering a back side of the mosaic to a substrate using the fixing material, and peeling the sheet from the face side before the fixing material has cured. A sheeted mosaic for use in such a method and a laminate for sheeting such a mosaic.

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A sheeted mosaic, a laminate for producing a sheeted mosaic and a method of sheeting a mosaic which use a sheet allowing passage of moisture and/or air from the first side to the second side of the sheet.

2. claims: 17-19

A sheeted mosaic and a method of applying a sheeted mosaic to a substrate wherein a liner sheet can be peeled from the face side of the mosaic before a material fixing the mosaic to the substrate has cured.

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