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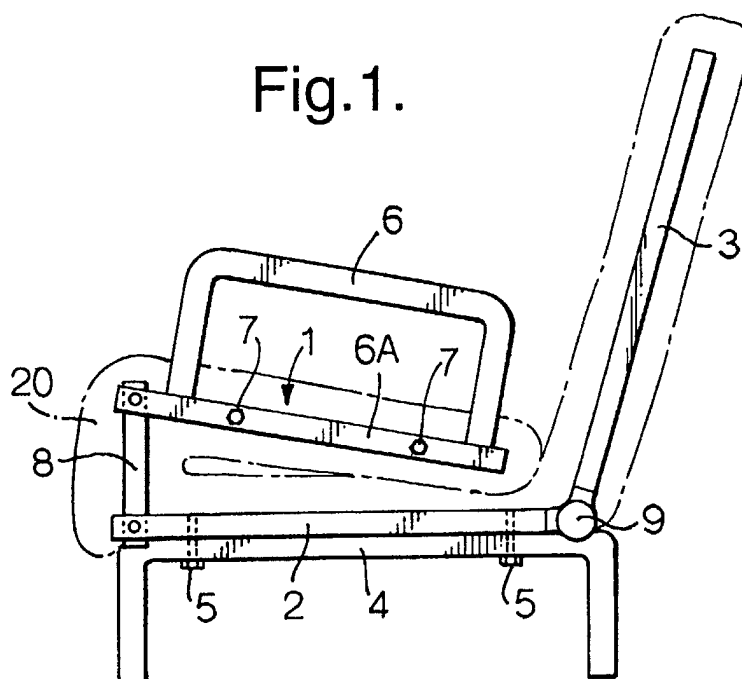
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(54) **Sofa-bed**

(57) A sofa-bed which comprises a frame entirely enclosed in a filling material (20), the frame including an upper seat section (1), a lower seat section (2) and a back section (3). The frame has a first seat position, in which the upper seat section (1) overlies the lower seat

section (2) and arms (6) on the upper seat section (1) define arms of the seat, and a second recliner position in which the upper seat section (1) is folded over onto a floor, the arms (6) of the upper seat section (1) becoming the legs of the recliner and resting on the floor.





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