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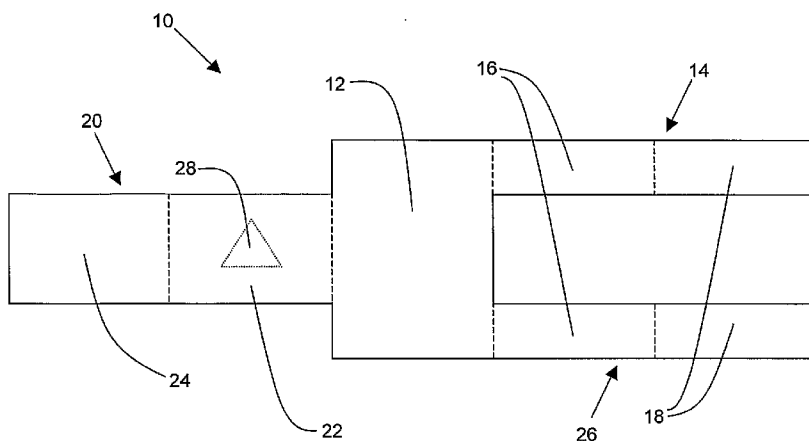


Figure 1

(57) Abstract: A container for smoking articles comprises at least two hingedly connected packs, each for housing a separate bundle of smoking articles. The container comprises: a first pack having a first wall; a second pack having a first wall; and a separate connector (10). The separate connector comprises: a first panel (12) with opposed first and second edges; a second panel (14) comprising a first sub-panel (16) hingedly connected to the first panel (12) along the first edge and a second sub-panel (18) hingedly connected to the first sub-panel (14) along a first fold line; and a third panel (20) comprising a first sub-panel (22) hingedly connected to the first panel (12) along the second edge and a second sub-panel (24) hingedly connected to the first sub-panel (22) along a second fold line. The first panel (12) of the separate connector (10) is affixed to the first wall of the first pack and the second sub-panels (14, 24) of the second (14) and third (20) panels of the separate connector (10) are affixed to the first wall of the second pack.



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