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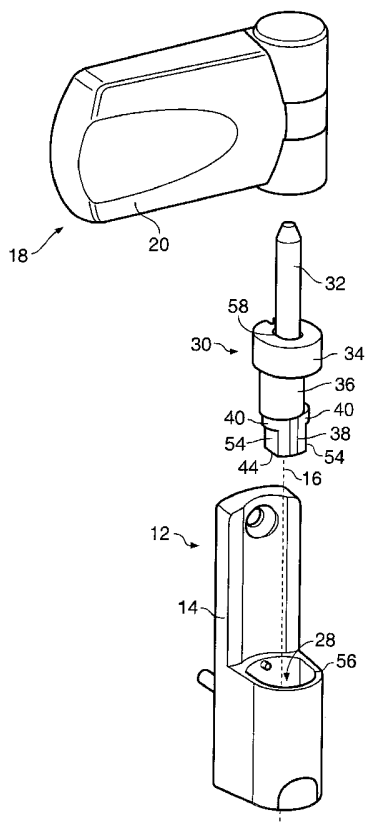
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(54) Title: HINGE ARRANGEMENTS



(57) Abstract: A hinge arrangement (10) has first and second portions (12, 18) and a spindle (32). The position of the spindle (32), in the socket (28) is adjustable parallel with and transverse to its axis. Parallel adjustment is by means of a screw thread. Transverse adjustment is by interaction between a circular feature (36) and a slot (58). The geometry of these features converts rotation of the spindle (32) into displacement perpendicular to the axis (16).



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### 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)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 25, 26  
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:  
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2. ☒ Claims Nos.: 25, 26  
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:  
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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.
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4. ☒ 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.:  
1-11, 24

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- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Continuation of Box II.1

Claims Nos.: 25,26

Claims 25 and 26 do not relate to substantive subject matter or technical features. Claim 25 attempts to define the claimed subject matter with reference to drawings. Claim 26 explicitly claims subject matter not within the scope of the claimed invention. The resulting obscurities in these claims render a meaningful search over the claimed scope impossible (Article 6 PCT, Rule 6.2 and 6.3 PCT).

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Continuation of Box II.2

Claims Nos.: 25, 26

Claims 25 and 26 do not relate to substantive subject matter or technical features. Claim 25 attempts to define the claimed subject matter with reference to drawings. Claim 26 explicitly claims subject matter not within the scope of the claimed invention. The resulting obscurities in these claims render a meaningful search over the claimed scope impossible (Article 6 PCT, Rule 6.2 and 6.3 PCT).

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that claims relating to inventions in respect of which no international search report has been established need not be the subject of an international preliminary examination (Rule 66.1(e) PCT). The applicant is advised that the EPO policy when acting as an International Preliminary Examining Authority is normally not to carry out a preliminary examination on matter which has not been searched. This is the case irrespective of whether or not the claims are amended following receipt of the search report or during any Chapter II procedure. If the application proceeds into the regional phase before the EPO, the applicant is reminded that a search may be carried out during examination before the EPO (see EPO Guideline C-VI, 8.5), should the problems which led to the Article 17(2) declaration be overcome.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-11, 24

Adjustable hinge arrangement

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2. claims: 12-18, 23, 24

Hinge leaf arrangement with pivotably mounted cover

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3. claims: 19-24

Tampering proof hinge leaf arrangement

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