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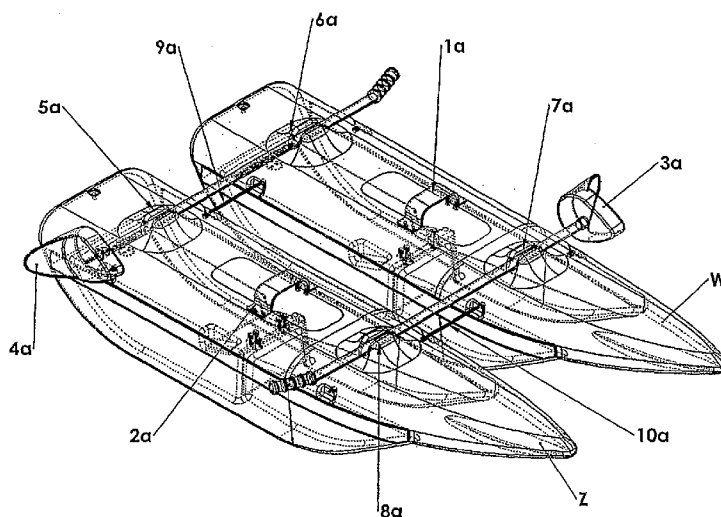


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: The present utility model refers to a pair of floating boards (w,z) which efficiently enable the user to walk or run on water. The floating shoes are connected by a pair of rubber bands and are equipped with swinging flaps (6b) disposed under the hulls (2c) below the waterline, so that the water walking device is mechanically propelled forward by the alternated pressure of the water against the swinging flaps (6b) as the user naturally walks over the surface of the water. The floating shoes (w,z), according to the present utility model, include a pair of hand poles equipped with hydrodynamic floaters (3a) which are used for giving the desired direction to the floating shoes (w,z) and for providing improved balance to the user. The pair of hand poles further help to propel the floating shoes (w,z) during the walking and can also be used to tightly bind the pair of floating boards, providing good stability if the user chooses to climb up on the floating device in the water.

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