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LOCKING OF A GUN DURING THE LOADING PROCESS

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Abstract (en)
[origin: US4508007A] A weapon having a gun barrel and a gun elevating mechanism and a gun traversing mechanism respectively operatively connected to said gun barrel. A separate fully automatic loading mechanism also is operatively connected to said gun barrel. This gun barrel is to be maintained during the loading process by the gun elevating mechanism into an index position which is continuously attainable in the same short time period. This object is achieved by having the gun elevating and gun traversing mechanisms provided with a common locking arrangement whereby the gun barrel disposed in the gun elevating mechanism is precisely held in an index position during loading. The locking is effected by means of a drive and brake unit which is mounted on the gun traversing mechanism. A claw is rotated by the brake and drive unit and is adapted to selectively clamp a bolt secured to the gun barrel when it is in a position corresponding to the required index position for loading. At the termination of the loading process and return-rotation of the claw into its starting position jointly with the gun elevating mechanism the bolt, and consequently the gun barrel, is swingable over a predetermined angular range about the trunnion axis of the gun cradle of the weapon.

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