

Title (en)  
PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR AND PROTECTIVE ARMOUR AND A METHOD OF MODIFYING PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR AND PROTECTIVE ARMOUR

Title (de)  
SCHÜTZENDE KOPFBEDECKUNG UND SCHUTZSCHILD SOWIE VERFAHREN ZUM MODIFIZIEREN VON SCHÜTZENDEN KOPFBEDECKUNGEN UND SCHUTZSCHILDEN

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO9614768A1] With reference to Figure 6, the present invention provides protective headgear comprising: a shell (31) having an inwardly facing surface which in use faces the head of a user of the headgear and an outwardly facing surface which in use faces away from the head of the user; and an outer membrane (30) which overlies at least a portion of the outwardly facing surface of the shell (31) and which is more flexible than the shell (31). The headgear is constructed in such a way that when a force is applied to an outer surface of the headgear which acts to rotate the headgear and the head of the user, the force can cause the outer membrane (30) to move relative to the shell. With reference to Figure 9, the present invention also provides protective armour comprising: a first layer (102) of a first flexibility having a first surface (102A) which in use is presented to receive impact blows; and a membrane (103) which overlies at least a portion of the first surface (102A) of the first layer (102) and which is more flexible than the first layer (102) of material. The protective armour is constructed in such a way that when a force is applied to an outwardly facing surface of the protective armour which has a component tangential to the surface, the force can cause the membrane (103) to move relative to the first layer (102) of material. The present invention further provides methods of modifying existing protective headgear or armour to headgear or armour according to the invention.

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