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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO0234616A1] The invention relates to floating mooring construction (1) comprising a vessel (2) having a hull (35) with a cavity (9) for receiving a mooring buoy (8) carrying at least one flowline (13), and a pulling device (22, 24) connected to the mooring buoy for pulling the buoy towards the vessel. A flexible element (27) is comprised between a wall of the recess (9) and the buoy. The invention is characterised in that the vessel comprises a turret (5) around which the vessel can weathervane, the recess (9) being provided in the lower part of the turret (5), wherein the buoy (8) comprises near its lower end an annular groove (26) in which the flexible element (27) is seated, the outer surface of the flexible element including a sharp angle (alpha) with a center line (21) of the buoy. The buoy is attachable to the turret by the pulling device (22, 24) pulling the buoy into the cavity (9) and compressing the flexible element (27) against the wall of the cavity (9). The present invention provides a semi-permanent system, which is able to transmit relatively large mooring forces to the turret.

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