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Advanced weapons loader

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Ladevorrichtung für Waffen

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Abstract (en)

A weapon handler (100) for transporting weapons and loading weapons onto aircraft or other vehicles is disclosed. The weapons handler (100) comprises a moveable base (102) having longitudinal (104), lateral (106) and vertical (108) axes, an articulated cradle (138) comprising one or more cradle members, and a weapons carousel rotatable about the longitudinal axis and adapted to hold a plurality of weapons, and a plurality of articulating members connecting the moveable base to the one or more cradle members. The articulating members are adapted to translate the articulated cradle (138) relative to moveable base along the lateral (106), longitudinal (104), and vertical (108) axes. According to another embodiment, a weapon gripper (400) for a weapon handling system is disclosed. The weapon gripper (400) comprises at least three contact surfaces, and a moveable linkage adapted to selectively move at least one of the at least three contact surfaces from a first position in which the at least three contact surfaces geometrically enclose a weapon, to a second position in which the at least three contact surfaces geometrically release the weapon.

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