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⑤④ **Drum for laundry washing machine.**

⑤⑦ In conventional laundry washing machines of the top-loading type, the mounting elements of a rotatable drum housed in the washing tub are accessible only from the interior of the drum, rendering repair and maintenance operations rather cumbersome.

In a drum (2) for a laundry washing machine of the above described type, provided with journals (3, 4) for its support in the tub (1), each journal being mounted on one side in a bearing (7, 8) housed in a corresponding seat of a first support (15, 16) releasably secured to the respective lateral wall of the tub with at least one sealing element (27, 29) being interposed therebetween, and connected, on the other side, to a second support (11, 12) secured to the respective lateral wall of said drum (2) and cooperating with at least one further resilient sealing element (28, 30) concentric therewith, the invention overcomes the above noted drawbacks by providing that between said first and second supports (11, 15, 12, 16) there is disposed a further rigid support element (25, 26) of annular shape, provided with at least two separate cylindrical seats concentric with one another for mounting the resilient sealing elements (27, 28, 29, 30) thereon, said further support elements (25, 26) being further provided with respective cylindrical rim portions (31, 32) adapted to cooperate with said bearings (7, 8) for preventing axial displacement thereof.

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