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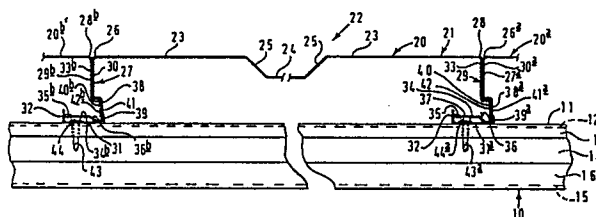
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⑤④ **Cladding buildings.**

⑤⑦ A building having two cladding panels (20) connected to a support member (10) wherein each panel (20) comprises a web part (21), to provide a generally outwardly facing surface (22) of the panel (20), having at one edge (26) thereof a first edge portion (27) and at an opposite edge (28) thereof a second edge portion (29):

the first and second edge portions (27, 29) having a configuration whereby the first edge portion (27) of a first panel (20) is resiliently interengaged with the second edge portion (29) of the second panel (20) as a result of resilient deformation of at least one of said portions to retain the adjacent edges of the panels (20) from displacement in directions normal to the edges, and wherein the first edge portion (27) of the first panel (20) is connected to the support member (10) by a fastener means (43) and the second edge portion (29) of the second panel (20) is connected to the support member (10) by means of the first edge portion (27) of the first panel (20).





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