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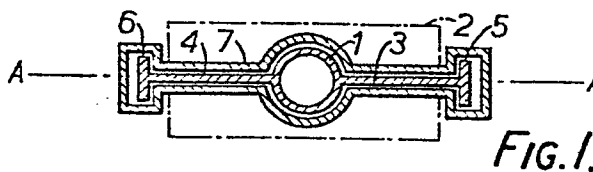
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(54) **Key mechanism for a keyboard.**

(57) A key assembly, for a keyboard, includes stabilising arms (3,4) attached to a shaft (1) of the assembly for correcting any binding caused by tilting of the shaft during keyboard operation.

Also an arrangement for supporting a long narrow top member (2) for a keyboard includes a linking rod held by clips, which, over the central part of the rod, are provided by spaced-apart parts of a generally U-shaped member. The spaced-apart parts of the generally U-shaped member would belong to a base member with which the top member is associated.





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