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(54) **Liner assembly and method of running the same**

(57) A liner assembly which comprises:

- (a) a liner (3);
- (b) a non-return valve at or adjacent the downstream end of said liner (3);
- (c) a liner hanger assembly (5) at or adjacent the upstream end of said liner (3);
- (d) a running tool (9) releasably connected to said

liner hanger assembly (5); and

(e) a plug (10) at or adjacent the upstream end of said liner (3) and defining with said non-return valve (4) and said liner (3) an isolated space (16), said plug (10) having a unit (13, 14) which can be acted upon to allow fluid to pass into said isolated space (16).

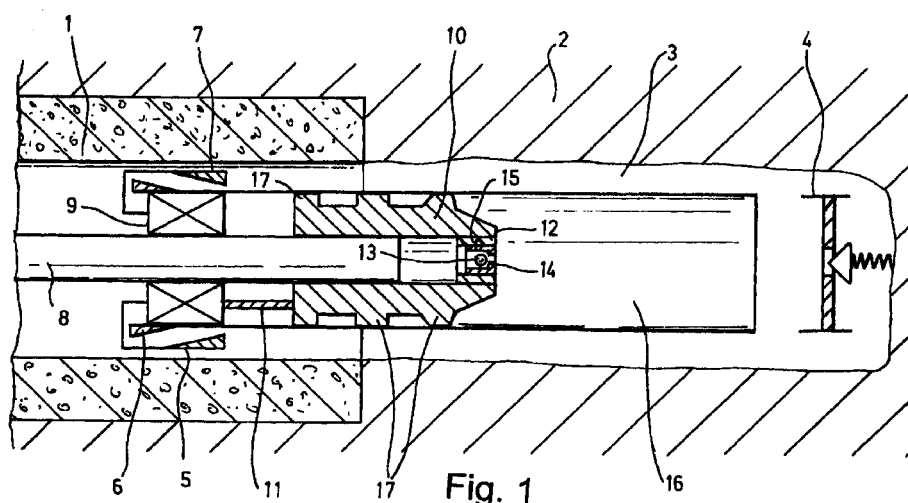


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