



Europäisches Patentamt
European Patent Office
Office européen des brevets



(11) **EP 1 033 430 A3**

(12) **EUROPEAN PATENT APPLICATION**

(88) Date of publication A3:
26.03.2003 Bulletin 2003/13

(51) Int Cl.7: **D06F 57/04**, F16B 2/00,
F16B 5/06, F16B 2/10,
F16B 2/06

(43) Date of publication A2:
06.09.2000 Bulletin 2000/36

(21) Application number: **00301817.3**

(22) Date of filing: **06.03.2000**

(84) Designated Contracting States:
**AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LU
MC NL PT SE**
Designated Extension States:
AL LT LV MK RO SI

(72) Inventor: **Holland, Thomas Seward**
Letchworth Garden City,
Herfordshire SG6 4TW (GB)

(30) Priority: **04.03.1999 GB 9904884**
05.07.1999 GB 9915494

(74) Representative: **Burrows, Anthony Gregory**
Business Centre West
Avenue One, Business Park
Letchworth Garden City
Hertfordshire SG6 2HB (GB)

(71) Applicant: **Holland, Thomas Seward**
Letchworth Garden City,
Herfordshire SG6 4TW (GB)

(54) **Bracket for a clothes line cover**

(57) A bracket 1 for mounting a clothes line cover on a clothes line arm has an upper part 5 and a lower part 2 with releasable connecting means 6 therebetween.

When a predetermined force is applied to the upper part 5, the two parts 2,5 separate. The bracket 1 can include a clamping device 12 comprised of a pair of jaws 13,14 for retaining the cover.

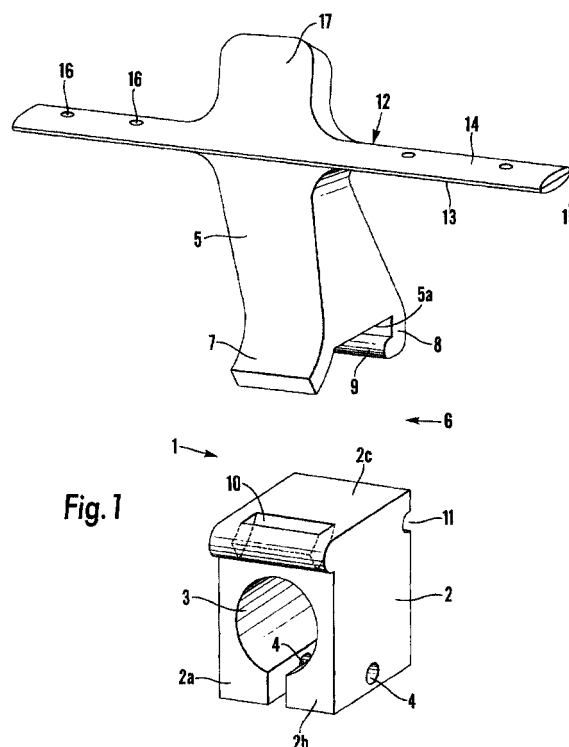


Fig. 1



European Patent
Office

EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT

Application Number
EP 00 30 1817

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT			
Category	Citation of document with indication, where appropriate, of relevant passages	Relevant to claim	CLASSIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION (Int.Cl.7)
X	US 4 619 545 A (KUETTENBAUM VALENTIN) 28 October 1986 (1986-10-28) * column 5, line 56 - column 6, line 7 * * figures 7B-7D, 8 *	1-4, 7-11, 14-18	D06F57/04 F16B2/00 F16B5/06 F16B2/10 F16B2/06
X	US 2 805 877 A (ASHLEY CECIL W) 10 September 1957 (1957-09-10) * column 1, line 66 - line 72 * * figure 2 *	20	
A		12	
X	NL 8 203 850 A (GUSTAAF VAN LENTHE) 1 May 1984 (1984-05-01) * page 1, line 12 - line 21 * * page 3, line 6 - line 21 * * figures *	1,2,11, 18	
D,X	WO 95 01476 A (HOLLAND THOMAS SEWARD ;DORCHESTER HOUSE HOME & GARDEN (GB)) 12 January 1995 (1995-01-12) * page 6, line 11 * * figure 2 *	18,19	
			TECHNICAL FIELDS SEARCHED (Int.Cl.7)
X	US 3 141 221 A (FAULLS JR EVERETT S) 21 July 1964 (1964-07-21) * column 2, line 36 - line 53 * * figures *	21	F16B D06F A47G
A		13	
The present search report has been drawn up for all claims			
Place of search BERLIN		Date of completion of the search 4 February 2003	Examiner Granger, H
CATEGORY OF CITED DOCUMENTS X : particularly relevant if taken alone Y : particularly relevant if combined with another document of the same category A : technological background O : non-written disclosure P : intermediate document		T : theory or principle underlying the invention E : earlier patent document, but published on, or after the filing date D : document cited in the application L : document cited for other reasons & : member of the same patent family, corresponding document	

EPO FORM 1503 03 82 (P04C01)

**ANNEX TO THE EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT
ON EUROPEAN PATENT APPLICATION NO.**

EP 00 30 1817

This annex lists the patent family members relating to the patent documents cited in the above-mentioned European search report.
The members are as contained in the European Patent Office EDP file on
The European Patent Office is in no way liable for these particulars which are merely given for the purpose of information.

04-02-2003

Patent document cited in search report	Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
US 4619545 A	28-10-1986	AT 21732 T	15-09-1986
		DE 3365540 D1	02-10-1986
		DK 175283 A ,B,	23-10-1983
		EP 0092668 A1	02-11-1983
		JP 1509506 C	26-07-1989
		JP 58191307 A	08-11-1983
		JP 63040964 B	15-08-1988
US 2895877 A	10-09-1957	NONE	
NL 8203850 A	01-05-1984	NONE	
WO 9501476 A	12-01-1995	AU 7003694 A	24-01-1995
		WO 9501476 A2	12-01-1995
		GB 2294876 A ,B	15-05-1996
		GB 2310598 A	03-09-1997
US 3141221 A	21-07-1964	NONE	