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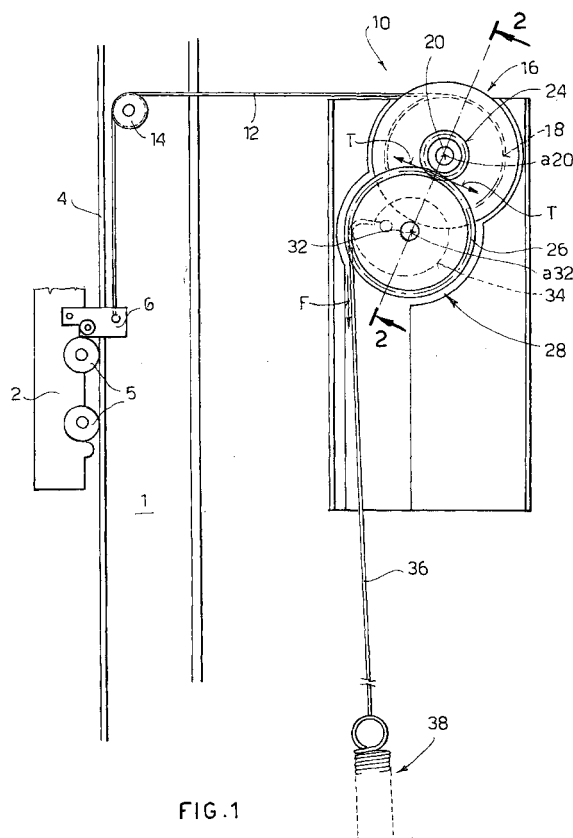
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(54) **A movement and balancing mechanism for vertical sliding doors**

(57) A movement and balancing mechanism for vertical sliding doors (2) has a return spring (38); to instantly counterbalance a variable force exerted by the spring, which is greater the more the spring is extended, a cable (36) cooperates with the spring and winds round a varying radius profile of an idle wheel (28), so that the moment exerted by the spring on the wheel is kept constant.

Preferably, the device includes an idle wheel (16) for winding the cable (12) of the door, coupled to the varying profile wheel (28) through a reduction ratio.

Use is particularly envisaged for furniture.



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