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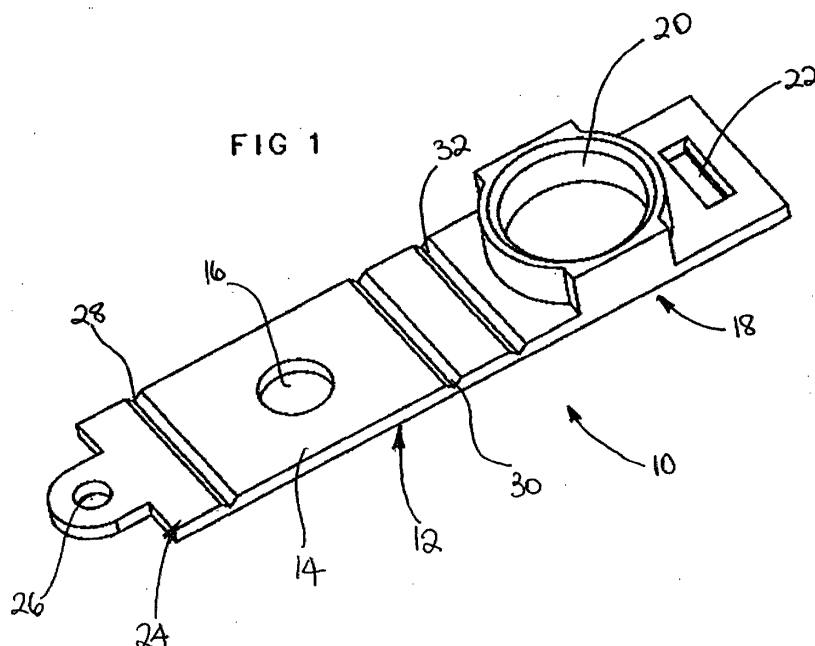
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(54) **Security seals**

(57) Described herein is a security seal (10) for sealing covers and/or doors. The seal (10) comprises a substantially flat strip of material which has a first hole (16) for receiving a screw for attaching the seal to a recess formed in a cover or door, a cap (20) for covering the head of the screw, a tab portion (24) having a second hole (26) formed therein and a slot (22) adjacent the cap (20). A hinge (28) is provided between the first hole (16)

and the tab portion (24) to allow the tab portion (24) to fold to a position to engage the slot (22). Two further hinges (30, 32) are provided between the first hole (16) and the cap (20) to allow the cap (20) to be folded over to cover the head of the screw and to allow the slot (22) to engage the tab portion (24). A sealing wire can then be passed through the second hole (26) to close the seal (10) in a tamper evident condition.





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