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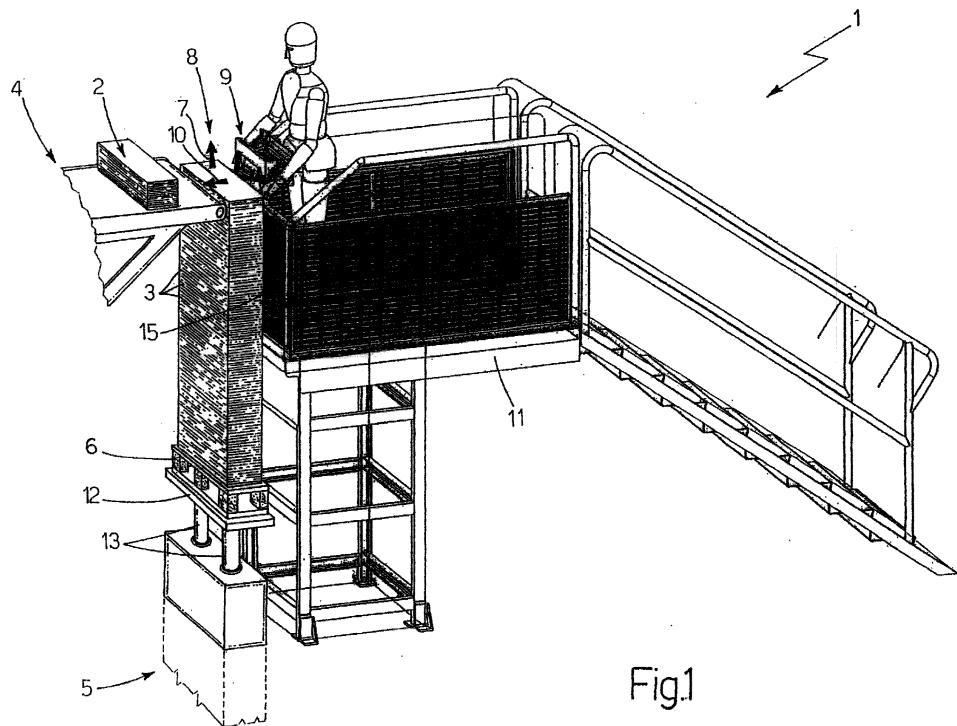
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(54) Line for feeding stacks of sheets to an operating unit

(57) A succession of stacks (2) of sheets (3) is fed to an input station (4) of an operating unit by means of a transfer device (9) having a transfer station (8) for re-

ceiving the stacks (2) of sheets (3) successively; the transfer device (9) being supported by a fixed supporting structure (11) located on the opposite side of the transfer station (8) to the input station (4).





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