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(54) **Apparatus for winding and/or packaging fabric rolls**

(57) An apparatus (1, 1A, 1B) for winding and/or packaging fabric rolls (6) and the like, comprises a double swinging belt (10) including a top belt (9) for feeding the fabric (19) and a bottom belt (23) for feeding a packaging sheet element (18), or for alternatively feeding a first packaging sheet element (18), by the bottom belt (23), and a second packaging sheet element (37) by the top belt (9), and a swingable cut guiding arm (13) for

cutting the fabric (19) and sheet elements (18, 37). Thus, it is possible to make a fabric roll (6) with a "winding recovery" function, by using only two operating stations (2, 3), and package fabric rolls (6) of different heights by using two different height sheet elements (18, 37), thereby eliminating possible sheet scraps and providing a high productivity. The apparatus can operate as a packaging machine (1B) providing a centralized packaging station (3) for different-height fabric rolls (6).

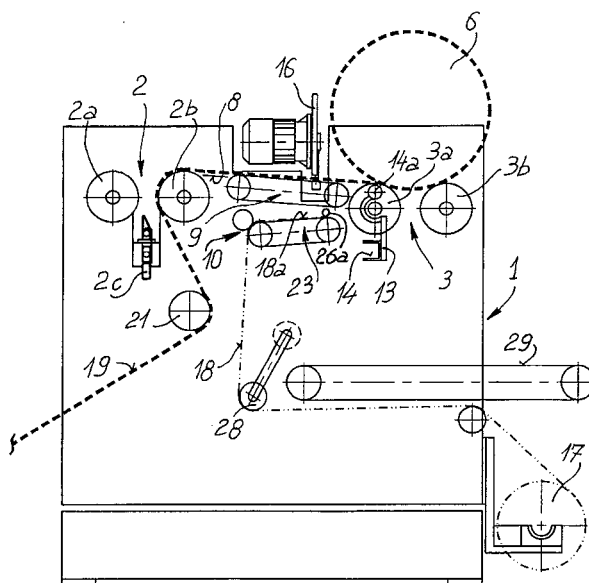


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