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(54) Covering device and mechanism for door handles

(57) Covering device (1) and mechanism for door shackles comprising a support body (2) to be fastened to a door and having a hole (3), a first covering element (4) having an opening (5) and to be associated to the support body (2) so as to cover a first portion of the support body (2), and a second covering element (7) having

a hole (8) corresponding to the hole (3) of the support body (2), which second element can be placed beside the first covering element (4) in the opening (5) and can be associated to the support body (2) so as to cover a second portion of the support body (2). The second covering element (7) is concentric with respect to the first covering element (4) and is basically disc-shaped.

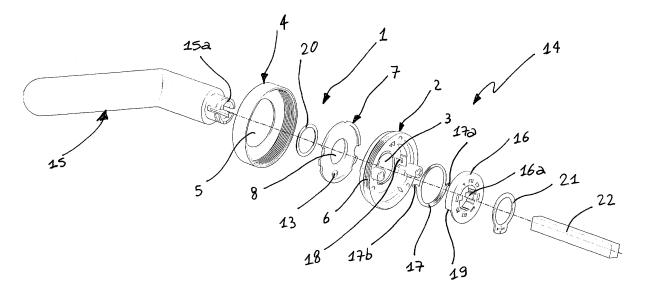


Fig.1



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LACK OF UNITY OF INVENTION
The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:
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All further search fees have been paid within the fixed time limit. The present European search report has been drawn up for all claims.
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LACK OF UNITY OF INVENTION SHEET B

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The Search Division considers that the present European patent application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention and relates to several inventions or groups of inventions, namely:

1. claims: 1-12, 13(in its dependent form),14

Covering device for mechanisms of door "shackles" (handles) and locks with a first covering element, which covers a first portion of a support body, and a second covering element, which covers a second portion of the support body

2. claims: 13(in its independent form), 14, 18-25

Elastic return mechanism/device for a "shackle" (handle) with an elastic element placed between a support body and a rotary element associated to the handle

3. claims: 15-17

Sealing ring whereby the ends have folded portions which are separable by exerting a thrust coplanar to the ring