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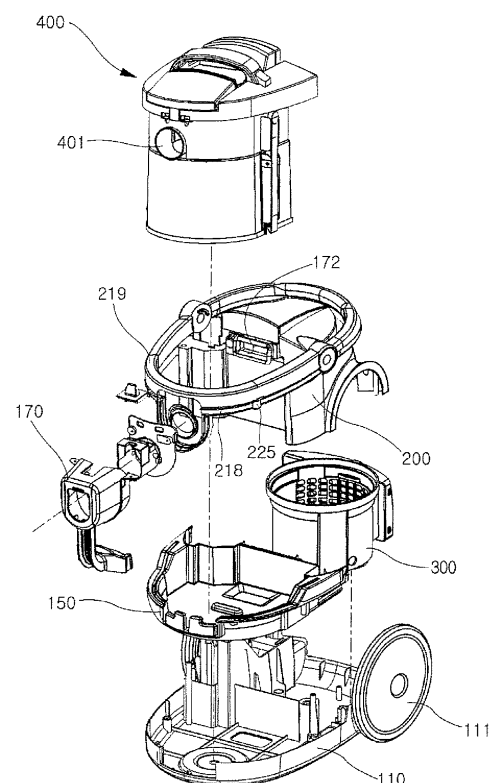
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(54) **Vacuum cleaner**

(57) A vacuum cleaner having an increased chassis strength and a more efficient layout of electrical wires is provided. The vacuum cleaner includes a base (110,150) for protecting its lower portion, a motor disposed above the base to provide suctioning power, a dust collection unit (400) disposed above and at a front of the base, an intake duct for guiding an outside air into the dust collection unit, a cover (200) for protecting the rear portion of the vacuum cleaner body, a connecting frame (218) extending around a front portion of a main body (100) of the vacuum cleaner for protecting the main body and accommodating a dust collection unit (400) therewithin in order to permit a viewing of an interior of the dust collection unit (400), the space around the dust collection unit being opened, and a reinforcing frame (219) covering the top of the connecting frame (218).

FIG.6





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