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(54) **Card shuffling apparatus**

(57) A card shuffling apparatus (100) comprising: a housing (15), a card input receptacle (50) located on said housing adapted to receive at least one deck of unshuffled playing cards a shuffling device (20) adapted to receive the cards from said card input receptacle, a con-

troller (10) disposed within said housing, image capturing means (30) disposed within said housing for obtaining image data of a playing card, display means (42) located on said housing for displaying images captured by said image capturing means; and a card output bin (60) adapted to discharge shuffle playing cards.

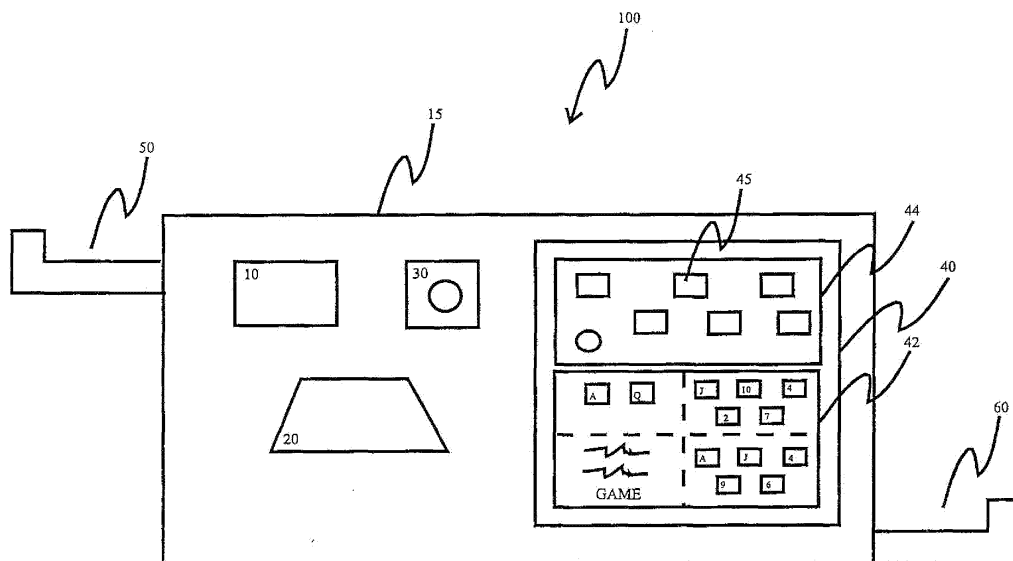


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