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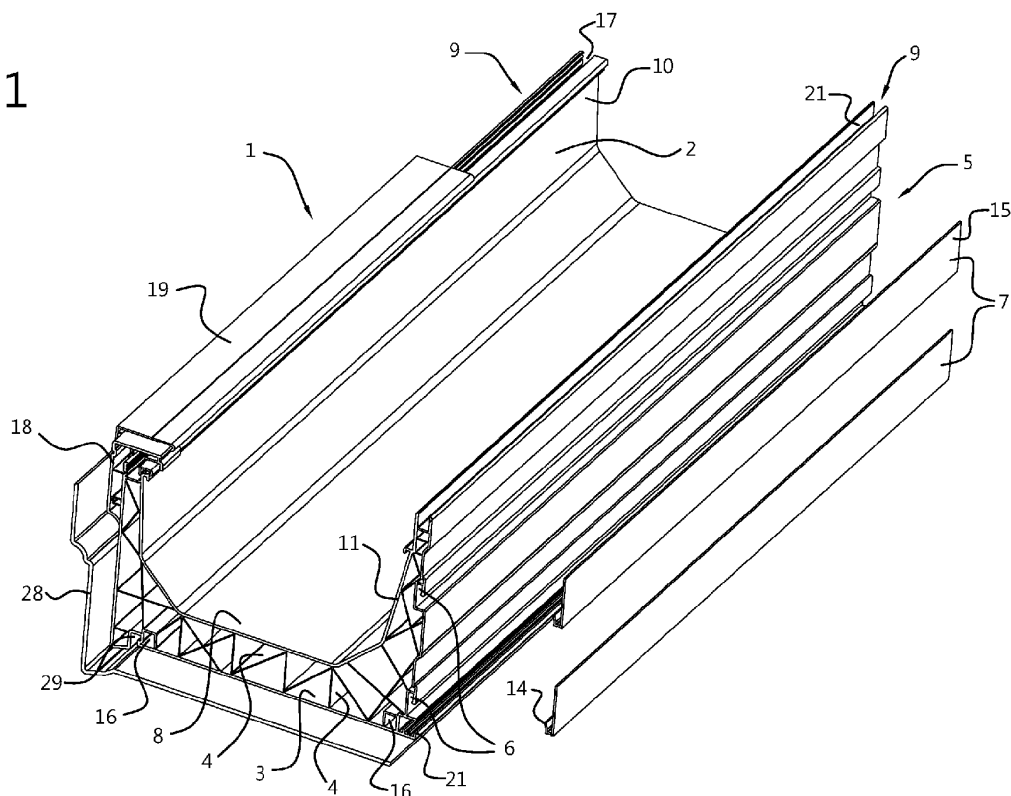
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(54) **GUTTER**

(57) The invention provides a gutter assembly, comprising a gutter which is double walled, and comprises an inner wall and an outer wall and ribs connecting said inner wall and outer wall, providing a functionally self sup-

porting gutter, said ribs comprising slanted ribs connecting the inner wall and outer wall, wherein the gutter has a thickness of the inner wall and outer wall of 1-4 mm.

Fig. 1





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1. claims: 1-6**coupling ends of gutter portions together**
---**2. claim: 7****determining a water level in a gutter**
---**3. claim: 8****increase the strength of a double-walled gutter**

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