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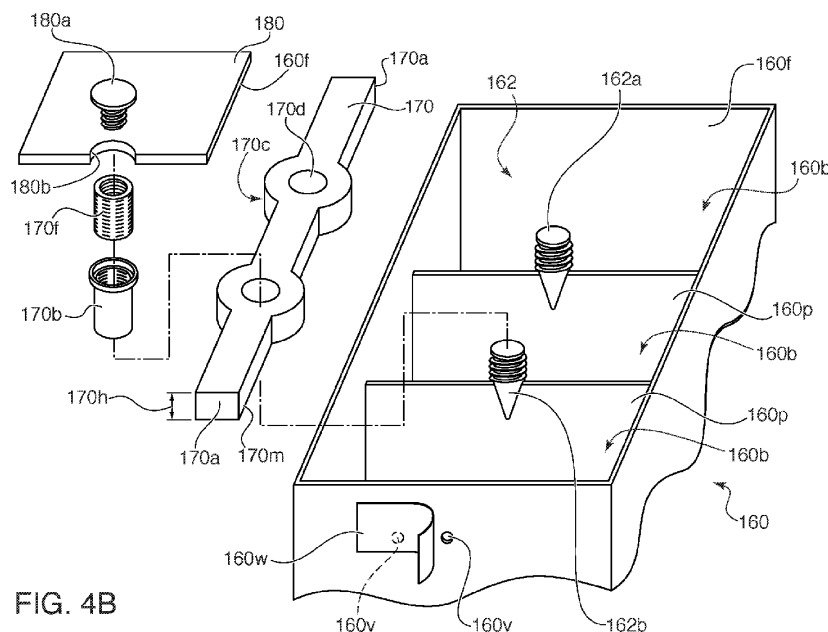


FIG. 4B

(57) Abstract: A ballistic resistant case for a secondary battery having a rectangular metal case (160) with a panel (160p) connected to the bottom wall and the side walls to divide the internal space of the case into cell pack receiving bays (160b). A bus bar (170) extends from the front wall, across the top of the panel, to the rear wall. A connector (162, 170f, 180a) secures the cover (180) to the panel (160p) with the bus bar (170) sandwiched there between. The bus bar (170) reinforces a central portion of the cover (180) and prevents the panel (160p) and the walls from deflecting to provide ballistic protection for the cell packs (24).

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