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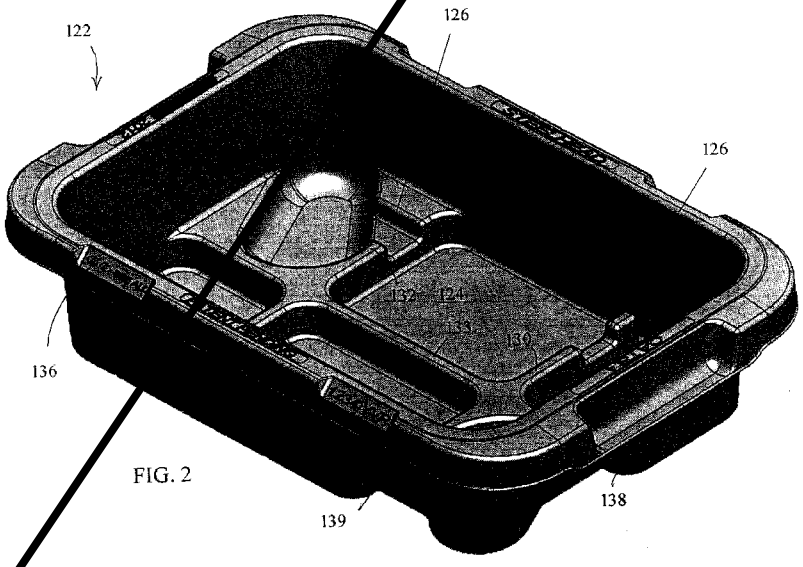

FIG. 2

(57) **Abstract**: A method for allowing security personnel in screening stations to more quickly identify prohibited articles and to identify and interrogate the screened individual responsible for the prohibited article, thereby improving throughput and reducing human error. If an operator observes articles which raise a security concern, the operator isolates the location of such articles by referencing the compartment in the tray where it is located and optionally whether the article is in a high or low position in the compartment and by referencing a tray's unique identifier. A security tray design is provided to carry out the method which includes discrete delineated compartments, and optionally a unique identifier and an area for displaying the screened individual's identification to connect the individual to a unique tray, to assist in preventing individuals from gaining access to restricted areas with prohibited articles.

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METHOD OF SECURITY SCREENING AND SECURITY TRAY FOR USE THEREWITH

ABSTRACT

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