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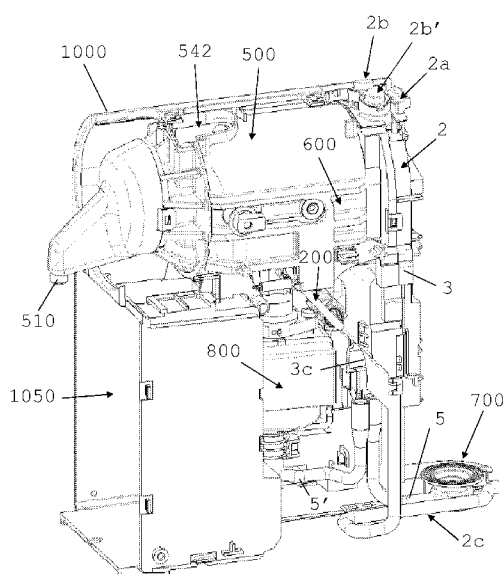


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: An electric beverage preparation machine has : an arrange-
ment (5', 5", 200, 500, 510, 600, 700, 800) for processing one or more bev-
erage ingredients to dispense a beverage; a control unit (2) connected to
the beverage processing arrangement for controlling the processing of one
or more beverage ingredients; a beverage user-selector (2b, 2b'), such as a
push or touch or toggle button or touch screen, for requesting a beverage,
the selector being connected to the control unit; an operative mode in
which such machine is immediately ready to process one or more beverage
ingredients; and a start-up mode in which such machine is not ready to
process one or more beverage ingredients and is brought into the beverage
preparation mode from a low electric consumption standby mode or from
an electrically switched off state. The control unit (2) is arranged to store
in the start-up mode any beverage request via the beverage user-selector
(2b, 2b') and initiate automatically the processing of one or more beverage
ingredients upon entering the operative mode after leaving the start-up
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