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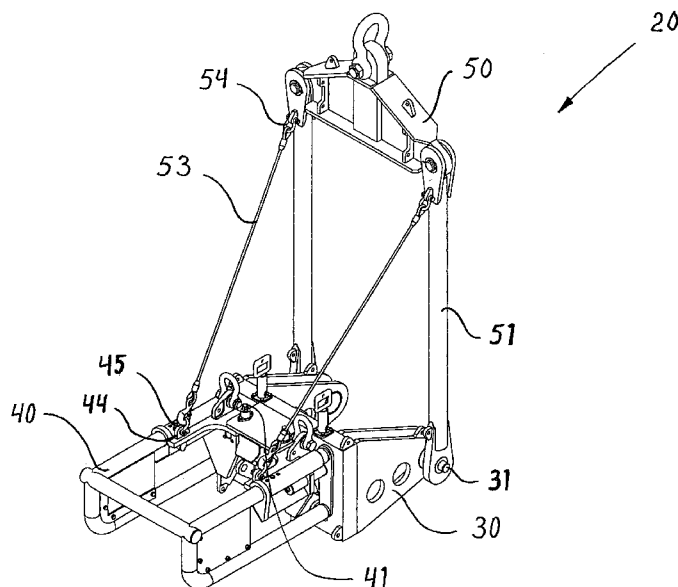


Fig.1.

(57) Abstract: A tool for lowering, alternatively later retrieval, of a pipeline end which is provided with a connecting part (2) designed for mating with and connection to a first connecting part (1) on the seabed is shown. The tool is so arranged that the tool (20) can be brought to the surface again for reuse. The tool (20) comprises a central lifting frame (30), a guiding part (40) forming an extension of the lifting frame (30) and a lifting yoke (50), which tool (20) includes gripping mechanisms (32, 33, 35) which, in one situation, are actuatable to partly circumscribe and retain the pipeline end (E2), and, in a second situation, the gripping mechanisms are releasable to release the pipeline end (E2) from the lifting frame (30).

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