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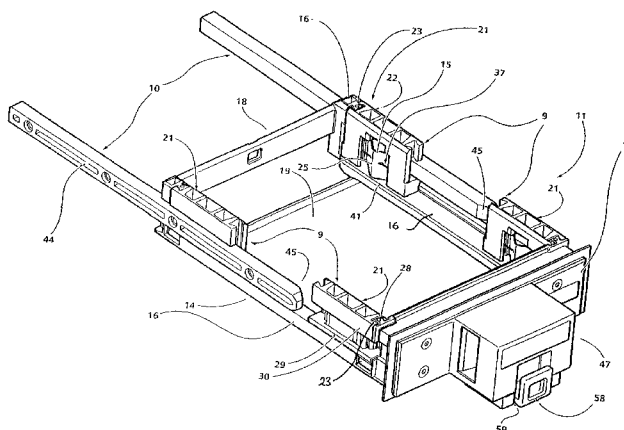
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(57) **Abstract:** A mounting for a disk drive unit comprises a carrier (14) for carrying a disk drive unit (12) during required movement of the disk drive unit. The carrier (14) defines a space into which the disk drive unit (12) can be inserted, and the carrier is adapted to be inserted with the disk drive unit into a receiving frame (8) for operational use. At least two resilient devices (15) are mounted on the carrier (14) for securing the disk drive unit (12) in the receiving frame (8) when the carrier is inserted into the frame, at least one resilient device (15) being mounted on each side of the carrier (14) to allow movement of the device as a whole relative to the carrier, and the resilient device is arranged to secure the disk drive unit (12) in the receiving frame (8) by acting between the disk drive unit (12) and the receiving frame (8). A method of handling the disk drive unit comprises placing the disk drive unit (12) into the carrier (14) engaging a robotic device (49) with a coupling structure (47) projecting from the front of the carrier (14). The method then includes lifting the carrier (14) by the robotic device (49) and inserting the carrier into a receiving frame (8) by a substantially horizontal movement.



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