

ABSTRACT**OPERATING DEVICE FOR AN ELECTRICAL APPARATUS**

5 The present invention relates to an operating device for an electrical apparatus housed in an insulating case containing a pair of stationary and movable contacts, said movable contact (2) being able to be actuated either manually by a hand lever (6) mounted rotatable between a closed position and an open position of the contacts (1,2), or automatically in case of an electrical fault. This device comprises a first mechanism (4), called the power mechanism,
10 for performing manual opening and closing of the contacts (1,2) and for keeping the contacts in the closed position, and a second mechanism (5), different from the first one and called the operating and indicating mechanism, said second mechanism (5) being designed to command automatic opening of the contacts (1,2) in case of an electrical fault and to communicate with peripheral accessories.

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