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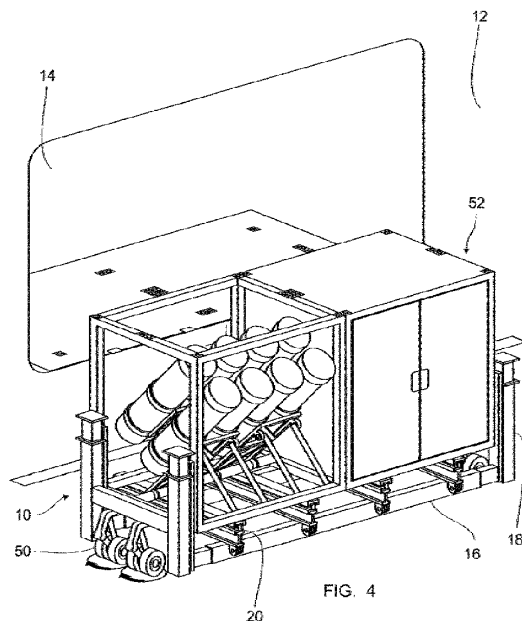


FIG. 4

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a lift for sideways loading equipment modules, or cargo containers, onto a mounting surface of a sea vessel. The lift comprises a frame for supporting the equipment modules or cargo containers, which comprises a number of conveying beams for conveying the equipment module or cargo container in a sideways direction in relation to the frame and means for lifting said conveying beams in a vertical direction. The method comprises, providing a lift according to the invention; arranging an equipment module or cargo container onto the lift; maneuvering the lift on a ground surface into position; raising the equipment module or cargo container by the lift in a vertical direction to a specific vertical position; conveying the equipment module or cargo container sideways into the mission bay, by said conveying beams; connecting the equipment module or cargo container to a number of anchoring points within the mission bay and retracting the conveying beams out of the mission bay.

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