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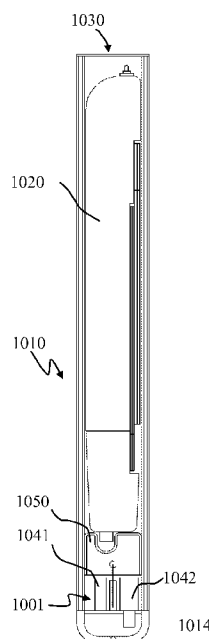
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(54) **Title:** SYSTEMS AND DEVICES FOR REMOTELY OPERATED UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE REPORT-SUPPRESSING LAUNCHER WITH PORTABLE RF TRANSPARENT LAUNCH TUBE**FIG. 10A**(57) **Abstract:** An unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) launch tube (100) that comprises at least one inner layer of prepreg substrate (370) disposed about a right parallelepiped aperture (305), at least one outer layer of prepreg substrate (380) disposed about the right parallelepiped aperture (305), and one or more structural panels (341-344) disposed between the at least one inner layer of prepreg substrate (340) and the at least one outer layer of prepreg substrate (380). An unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) launch tube (100) that comprises a tethered sabot (700,740) configured to engage a UAV within a launcher volume defined by an inner wall, the tethered sabot (700,740) dimensioned to provide a pressure seal at the inner wall and tethered to the inner wall, and wherein the tethered sabot (700,740) is hollow having an open end oriented toward a high pressure volume and a tether (740) attached within a hollow (910) of the sabot (700) and attached to the inner wall retaining the high pressure volume or attach to the inner base wall (1013). A system comprising a communication node (1500-1505) and a launcher (1520) comprising an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) in a pre-launch state configured to receive and respond to command inputs from the communication node (1500-1505).



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