

DESCRIPTIVE ABSTRACT**DEVICE FOR TRANSLATIONALLY MANOEUVRING A STRUCTURE THAT IS ABLE TO
MOVE WITH RESPECT TO A FIXED SUPPORT****Déposant : NOV-BLM**

The present invention relates to a device for the translational manoeuvring of a structure that is able to move with respect to a fixed support, advantageously an aerial lift, which device (1) comprises at least one rack (2) and at least one output pinion (3) which is driven by motor means (4) and is so via a gear train (5) borne by a chassis (C). At least one of the elements (16) of the gear train (5) consists in a slave element (16) borne by a shaft (17) equipped with torque limiting means (18) collaborating with said chassis (C) and having a limit torque which is determined in such a way: - as to immobilize said slave element (16) in terms of rotation with respect to said chassis (C) when its torque is below said limit torque so as to allow translational manoeuvring of said mobile structure by the turning of said output pinion (3, 19), and - as to allow said slave element (16) to rotate with respect to said chassis (C) when its torque is higher than said limit torque, so as to avoid a static or dynamic overload being applied to said gear train (5).

Figure 2