

BRIEF STATEMENT

The present invention is characterized by a conveyor belt so arranged that the flat face thereof is set substantially vertically and the cutaway portions are formed at the upper end of the conveyor belt.

On the other hand, in all references cited in the International Search Report, a conveyor belt is arranged so that the flat face thereof is set horizontally and workpieces are inserted in the holes formed on the flat face.

Thus, none of the cited reference discloses the feature of the present invention, i.e., a conveyor belt so arranged that the flat face thereof is set substantially vertically and the cutaway portions are formed at the upper end of the conveyor belt.



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