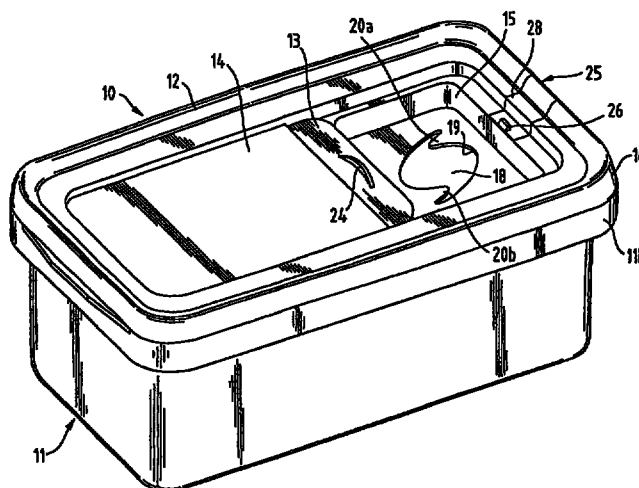


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(57) Abstract

The present invention is directed to a closing device (1) for fitting on a container or being a part of the container, preferably a container for dry or wetted tissues, and more preferably for wetted tissues, comprising a stationary lid member (12), and a movable lid member (13), characterized in that said stationary lid member includes a means for allowing said movable lid member to slide along a plane which is parallel to said stationary lid member, so as to create access to the container contents; said movable lid member and said stationary lid member are preferably linked by at least one elastic member (21) which is charged with elastic energy when the movable lid member is in closed position; said stationary lid member and said movable lid member also preferably include means to provide a releasable locking mechanism (25) for securing the movable lid member in the closed position, or releasing the movable lid member held in tension by said elastic member, thus providing access to the container contents, through a dispensing means. In one embodiment of the present invention, when the container is to be carried by the user for out-of-home usage, the combined height of the closing device and the container body is not greater than 5 cm, preferably not more than 2.5 cm.