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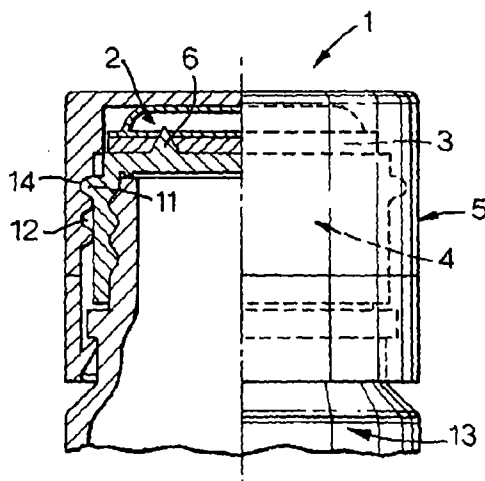
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(54) Title: TAMPER EVIDENT CLOSURE

(57) Abstract: A tamper evident closure (1) includes a
housing (5) containing a blister pack (2) and a substrate
(3), wherein the blister pack (2) contains a first reagent
which is visible prior to first opening and the substrate (3)
contains a second reagent. First opening of the closure
ruptures the blister pack thereby exposing the first reagent
to the second reagent and effecting a reaction that causes a
visual change that signals the closure has been opened. The
tamper evident closure of the present invention is primarily
intended to be used as an anti-counterfeit measure on a spirit
or pharmaceutical bottle. In the preferred embodiment, the
closure incorporates a liquid that when brought into contact
with a reagent chemical contained in an absorbent pad,
effects an irreversible colour change. This colour change
will indicate to a consumer the bottle has been previously
opened or tampered with. The design makes it very difficult
for a counterfeiter to cover up or eradicate the visible effects.
In particular, the only way a counterfeiter could do this
would be to put in a replacement blister and an absorbent
pad. Filling a blister pack with a liquid is a highly specialist
task which makes replication very difficult. The ability tocontrol the colour change to complement the branded goods provides a way of building up consumer recognition of the product and
thereby establishing confidence in those products that carry the tamper evident closure of the present invention.

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