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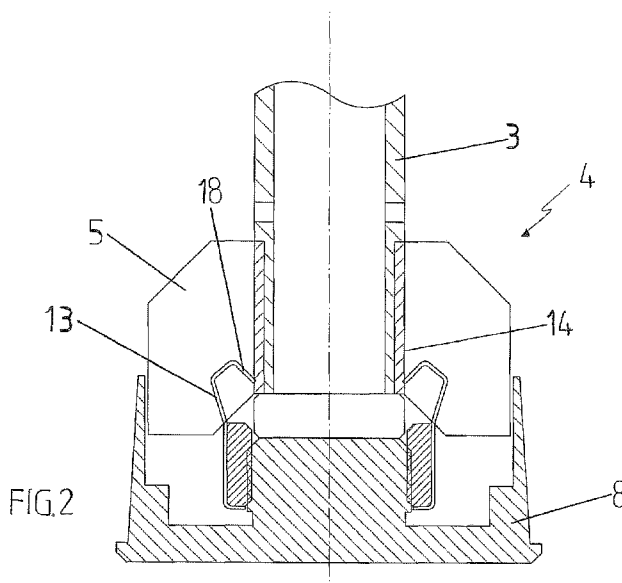
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(54) Title: SUPPORT MEMBER FOR SUPPORTING SHELL INTO BREECH-LOADING WEAPON BARREL, AND METHOD



(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a support member (6) for supporting a mortar shell (1) into a breech-loading weapon barrel. The support member (6) comprises a support element (8) with an edge flange (7) and a firing mechanism for firing the actual primer of the mortar shell (1) and further comprising connecting means (10) for attaching the support element (8) to a tail (4) of the mortar shell (1). The connecting means (10) for attaching the support element (8) to the tail (4) of the mortar shell (1) comprise at least one flexible part (13, 20, 30) arranged to be attached to the tail (4) of the mortar shell (1) by means of spring force.

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