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(57) **ABSTRACT**

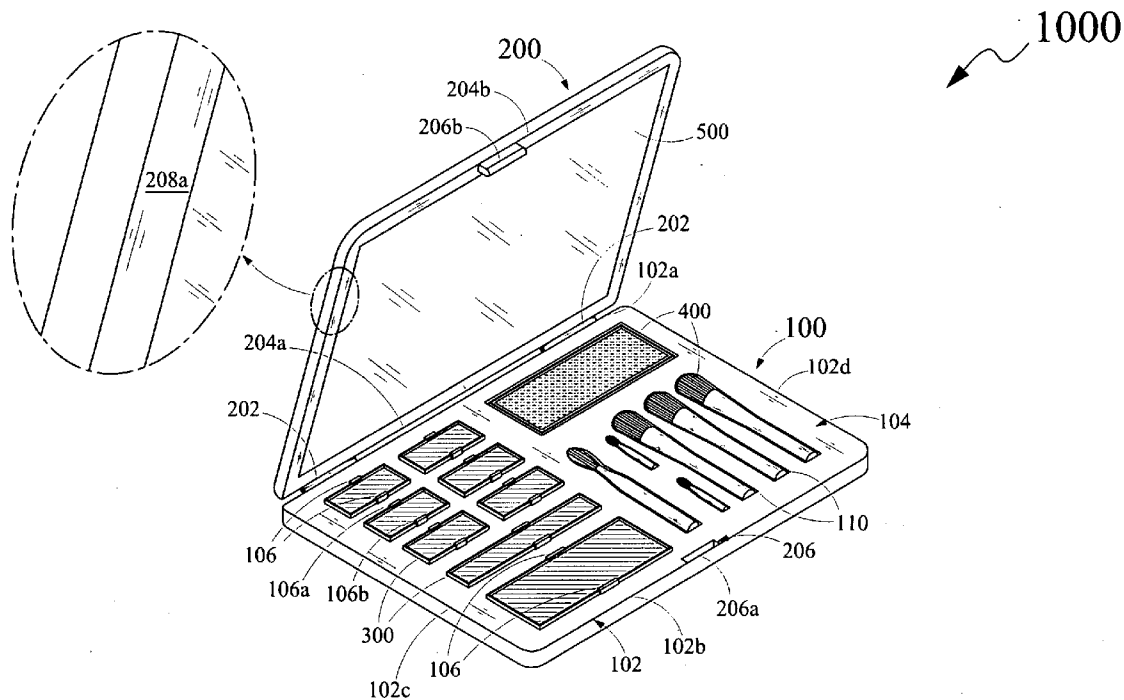
A compact kit for holding cosmetic articles includes a base member and a top member pivotally coupled with the base member for covering the base member. The base member includes a plurality of pairs of supporting members disposed thereon and extending upward from the base member. Each pair of the plurality of pairs of supporting members includes a first supporting member and a second supporting member opposite to the first supporting member, which are disposed in a spaced apart relation and adapted to removably receive a first cosmetic article therebetween. The base member further includes a plurality of indentations formed thereon. Each indentation of the plurality of indentations is adapted to removably receive a second cosmetic article therewithin.

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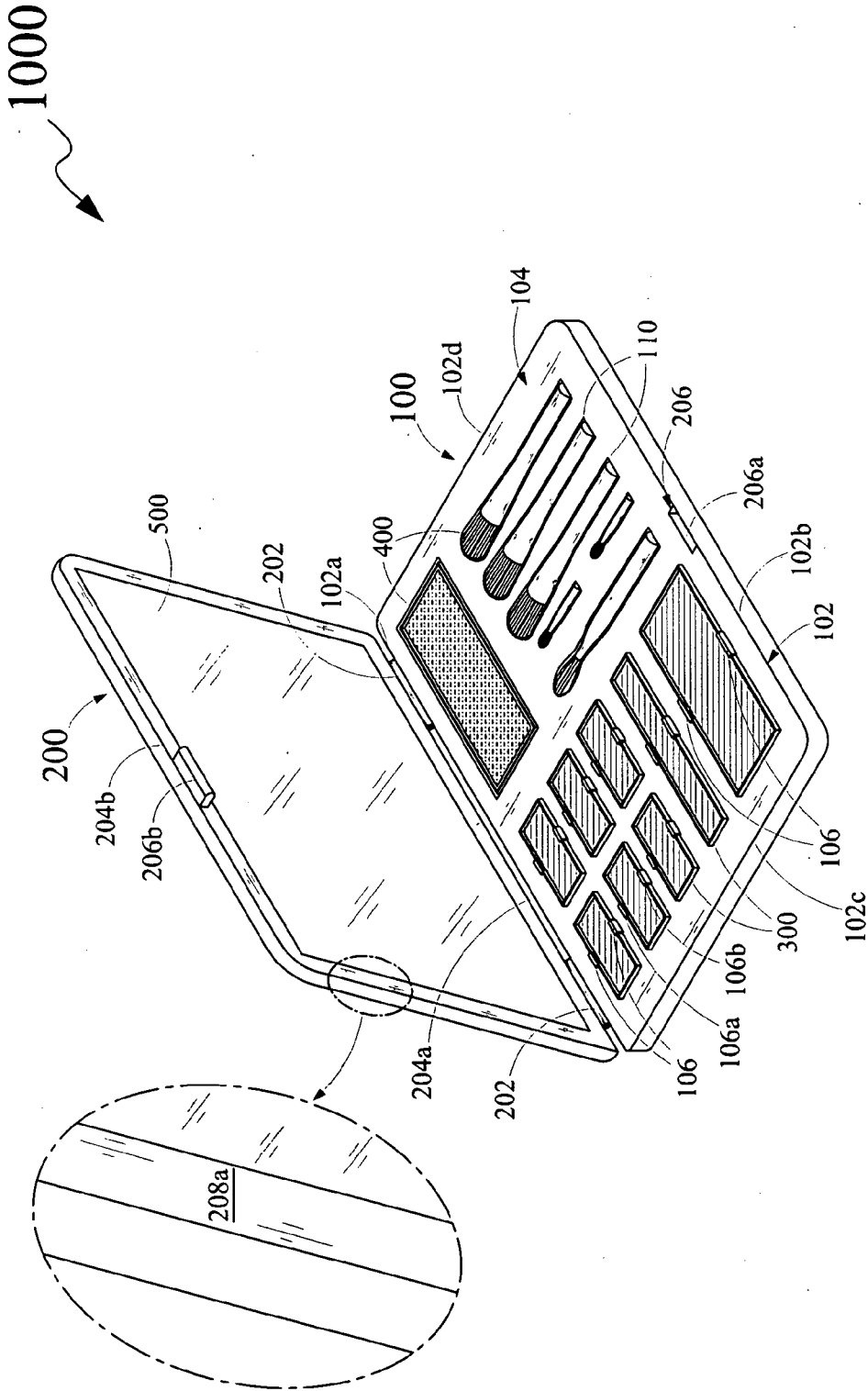


FIG. 1

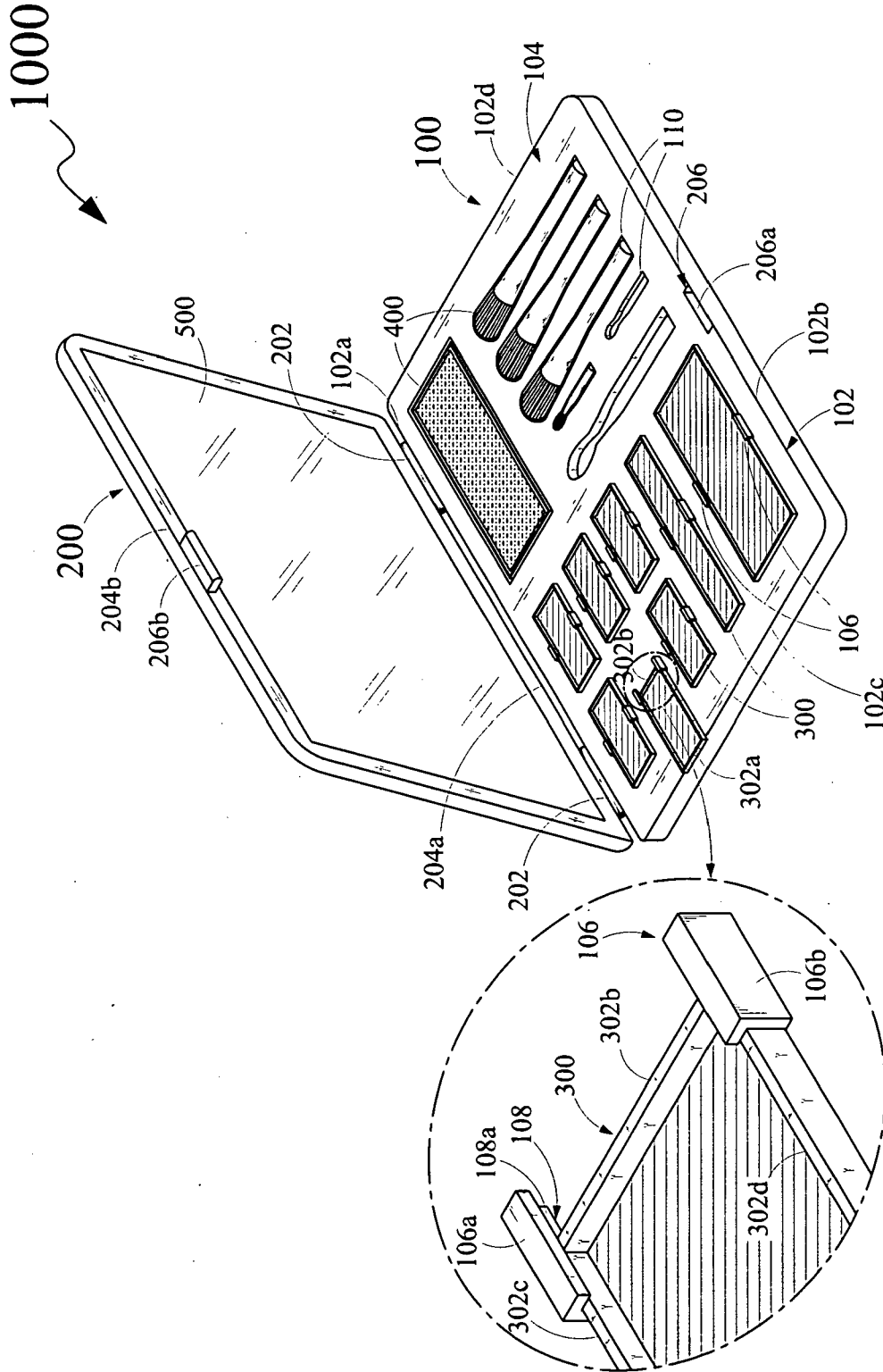


FIG. 2A

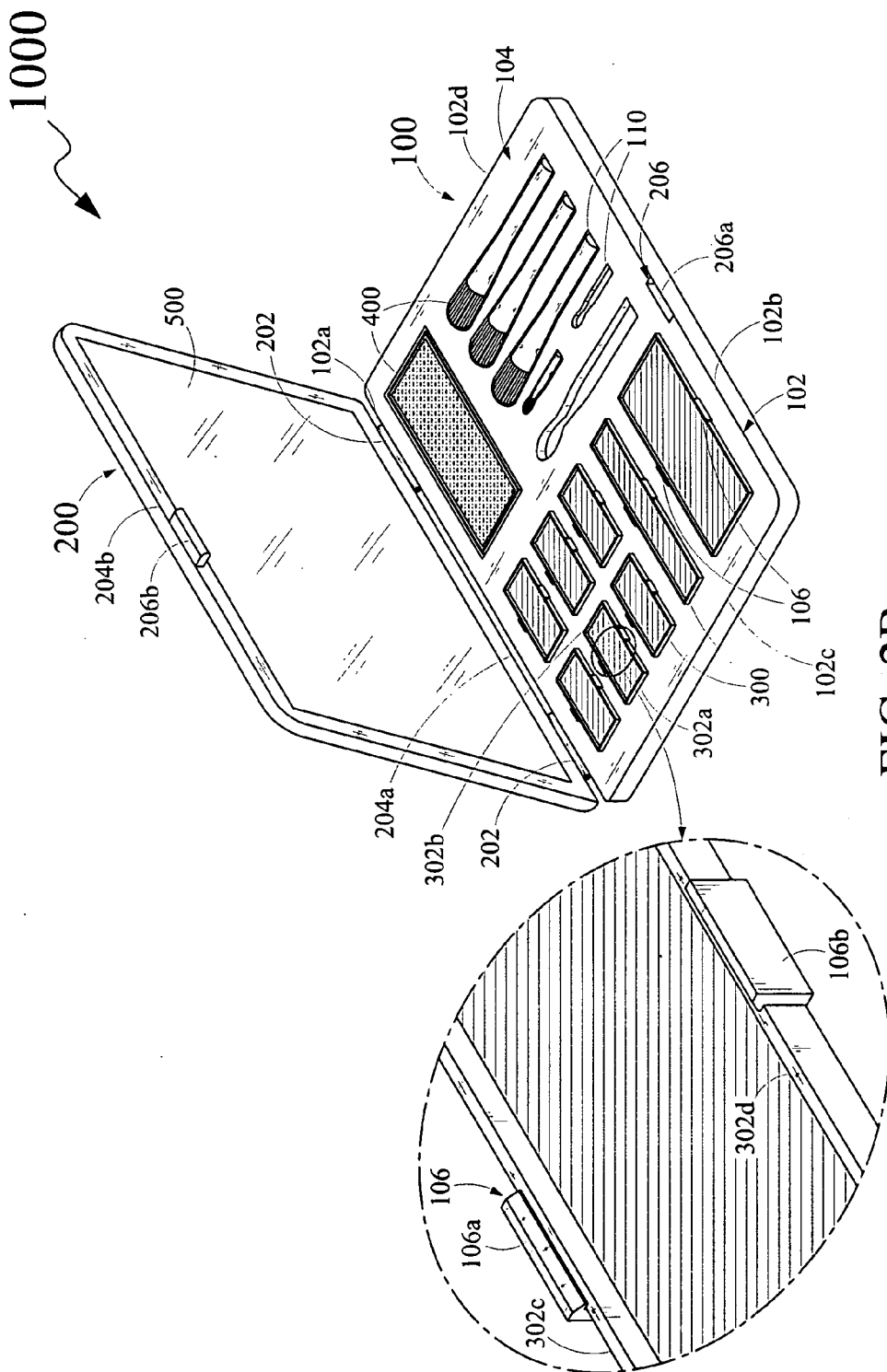


FIG. 2B

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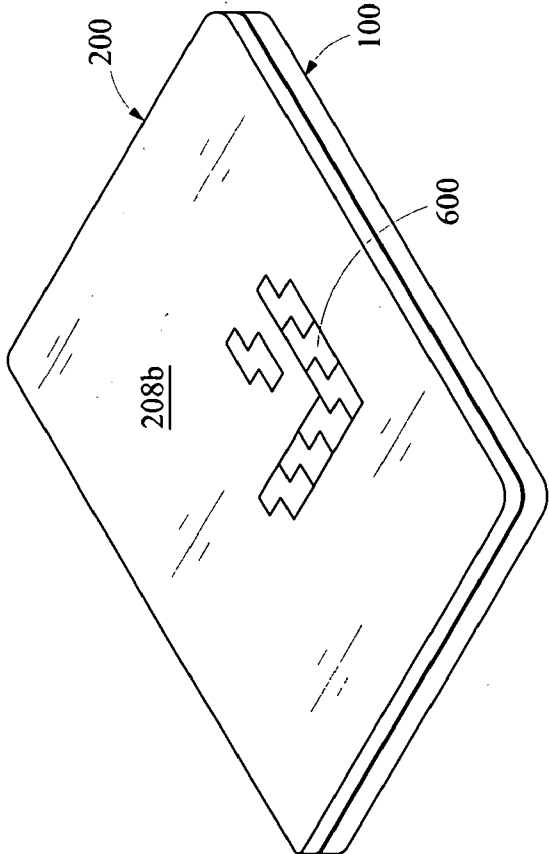


FIG. 3

COMPACT KIT

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present disclosure claims priority under 35 United States Code, Section 119 from the U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/091,796 filed on Aug. 26, 2008, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

FIELD OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0002] The present disclosure generally relates to compact kits for holding various cosmetic articles, and, more particularly, to a compact kit for removably holding various cosmetic articles.

BACKGROUND OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0003] Various cosmetic materials are used to enhance the appearance of a user. Generally, examples of such cosmetic materials include, but are not limited to, eye and facial makeup, skin-care creams, lotions, perfumes, and the like. The term, "eye and facial makeup" may relate to makeup used for enhancing the appearance of eyes and face of the user, and includes eye shadow, mascara, foundation, lipstick, lip-gloss, and the like. Further, the eye and facial makeup may be applied by the user using various applicators, such as brushes, and the like.

[0004] Usually, users need to carry various cosmetic materials and/or applicators packaged in individual compact kits, in their bags in order to apply the desired cosmetic materials when away from home. Accordingly, for applying a complete makeup, the users need to carry multitude of such individual compact kits in their bags. However, keeping a multitude of individual compact kits within a bag usually results in scattering of the individual compact kits within the bag, thereby precluding an easy access of a specific individual compact kit from the bag, by a user as and when required. Further, individual compact kits require disposal thereof, once the cosmetic materials from the individual compact kits have been completely used up.

[0005] Alternately, a multitude of cosmetic materials may be contained in a single compact kit. Specifically, a single compact kit may be manufactured by a technique, such as molding, to include a plurality of compartments formed within the single compact kit for storing the multitude of cosmetic materials therewithin. However, inclusion of such compartments makes the single compact kit bulky. Consequently, it may be inconvenient for users to carry such bulky compact kits in their bags. Further, the single compact kits also need to be disposed of once the cosmetic materials stored within the plurality of compartments have been completely utilized by a user.

[0006] In addition, some single compact kits are manufactured in a form to include one or more movable compartments for storing a large variety of cosmetic materials therewithin. The one or more movable compartments may be adapted one above the other resulting in compact forms of the single compact kits. However, use of a single compact kit with one or more movable compartments may preclude easy access of all cosmetic materials from within the single compact kit by a user, as the arrangement of the one or more movable compartments configured one above the other may hide the compartments that lay under other compartments. Further, such single compact kits may also need to be disposed of once the

cosmetic materials stored within such single compact kits have been completely utilized.

[0007] Moreover, some compact kits include magnetic mechanisms for closing the compact kits. Specifically, a compact kit may include a first magnet attached to an edge of a base of the compact kit, and a second magnet attached to a lid of the compact kit. The first magnet engages with the second magnet, when the lid is laid over the base for closing the compact kit. However, such magnetic mechanisms are known to interfere with functions of various electronic equipment, such as mobile phones, electronic hand-held games, and the like, which may also be carried in a bag holding the compact kit. Accordingly, the magnetic mechanisms of the compact kit may cause damage to the electronic equipments.

[0008] Additionally, various compact kits include specific types of cosmetic materials, such as an eye makeup having a specific shade, which may not be used by a user. This may result in the waste of the unused cosmetic materials as well as the waste of space utilized for holding such unused cosmetic materials within the compact kits. Further, the user may desire to use cosmetic materials of specific shades, which may not be provided in the compact kits. The specific shades of the cosmetic materials may vary with respect to a user's requirements. For example, a user may desire to wear a specific shade of an eye and facial makeup for an occasion, such as a wedding. However, such a shade may not be provided in the compact kit bought by the user. Accordingly, a user may feel dismayed as he/she may not be able to fulfill his/her requirements, and personalize/customize the compact kit as per his/her preferences.

[0009] Accordingly, there exists a need for a compact kit for holding cosmetic materials in an organized and easy-to-access manner. Further, there exists a need for a compact kit that may be carried conveniently by a user while traveling. Furthermore, there exists a need for a compact kit that is capable of being reused once cosmetic materials held within the compact kit are completely utilized. Moreover, there exists a need for a compact kit that may be customized according to a user's requirements. Additionally, there exists a need for a compact kit that may be carried conveniently along with other electronic equipments without causing any damage to the electronic equipments.

SUMMARY OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0010] In view of the foregoing disadvantages inherent in the prior art, the general purpose of the present disclosure is to provide a compact kit for holding cosmetic articles, such as applicators and makeup materials, configured to include all the advantages of the prior art, and to overcome the drawbacks inherent therein.

[0011] Therefore, an object of the present disclosure is to provide a compact kit for holding cosmetic articles, in an organized and easy-to-access manner.

[0012] Another object of the present disclosure is to provide a compact kit that may be carried conveniently by a user while traveling.

[0013] Yet another object of the present disclosure is to provide a compact kit that is capable of being reused.

[0014] Still another object of the present disclosure is to provide a compact kit that can be customized according to a user's requirements.

[0015] Yet another object of the present disclosure is to provide a compact kit that may be carried conveniently along with other electronic equipment without causing any damage to the electronic equipments.

[0016] To achieve the above objects, in an aspect of the present disclosure, a compact kit for holding cosmetic articles is provided. The compact kit includes a base member and a top member pivotally coupled with the base member for covering the base member. The base member includes a plurality of pairs of supporting members disposed thereon and extending upward from the base member. Each pair of the plurality of pairs of supporting members includes a first supporting member and a second supporting member opposite to the first supporting member. Further, the first supporting member and the second supporting member are disposed in a spaced apart relation and are adapted to removably receive a first cosmetic article therebetween. The base member further includes a plurality of indentations formed thereon. Each indentation of the plurality of indentations is adapted to removably receive a second cosmetic article therewithin.

[0017] This together with other aspects of the present disclosure, along with the various features of novelty that characterize the present disclosure, is pointed out with particularity in the claims annexed hereto and form a part of this present disclosure. For a better understanding of the present disclosure, its operating advantages, and the specific objects attained by its uses, reference should be made to the accompanying drawings and descriptive matter in which there are illustrated exemplary embodiments of the present disclosure.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0018] The advantages and features of the present disclosure will become better understood with reference to the following detailed description and claims taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, wherein like elements are identified with like symbols, and in which:

[0019] FIG. 1 depicts a perspective view of a compact kit in an open configuration, in accordance with an embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0020] FIG. 2A depicts a perspective view of the compact kit of FIG. 1 illustrating a cosmetic article being removably received within the compact kit, in accordance with an embodiment of the present disclosure;

[0021] FIG. 2B depicts a perspective view of the compact kit of FIG. 1 illustrating a cosmetic article being removably received within the compact kit, in accordance with another embodiment of the present disclosure; and

[0022] FIG. 3 depicts a perspective view of the compact kit of FIG. 1 in a closed configuration, in accordance with an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0023] Like reference numerals refer to like parts throughout the description of several views of the drawings.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0024] The exemplary embodiments described herein detail for illustrative purposes are subject to many variations in structure and design. It should be emphasized, however, that the present disclosure is not limited to a particular compact kit, as shown and described. It is understood that various omissions and substitutions of equivalents are contemplated as circumstances may suggest or render expedient, but these are intended to cover the application or implementation with-

out departing from the spirit or scope of the claims of the present disclosure. Also, it is to be understood that the phraseology and terminology used herein is for the purpose of description and should not be regarded as limiting. The use of terms, "including," or "comprising," and variations thereof herein is meant to encompass the items listed thereafter and equivalents thereof as well as additional items.

[0025] The terms "first," "second," and the like, herein do not denote any order, quantity, or importance, but rather are used to distinguish one element from another, and the terms "a" and "an" herein do not denote a limitation of quantity, but rather denote the presence of at least one of the referenced item.

[0026] Unless limited otherwise, the terms "disposed," "coupled," "secured," and variations thereof herein are used broadly and encompass direct and indirect arrangements. The terms, "side," and the like, herein do not denote any order, elevation or importance, but rather are used to distinguish placement of one element over another.

[0027] The present disclosure provides a compact kit for holding cosmetic articles. The compact kit provides an enclosed area for removably receiving and retaining the cosmetic articles therewithin in an organized manner. The term, "cosmetic articles" in one aspect refers to cartridges/containers capable of holding makeup materials. Examples of the makeup materials may include, but are not limited to, eye shadow, blush, lipstick, lip gloss, mascara, and lotion. In another aspect, the term, "cosmetic articles" refers to applicators, such as a brush. A user may apply the makeup materials contained in the cosmetic articles with/without using the applicators. The compact kit of the present disclosure is explained in detail in conjunction with FIGS. 1 to 3.

[0028] FIG. 1 depicts a perspective view of a compact kit 1000 in an open configuration, in accordance with an embodiment of the present disclosure. Further, FIG. 1 depicts various components of the compact kit 1000. FIG. 2A depicts a perspective view of the compact kit 1000 illustrating a cosmetic article being removably received within the compact kit 1000, in accordance with an embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 2B depicts a perspective view of the compact kit 1000 illustrating a cosmetic article being removably received within the compact kit 1000, in accordance with another embodiment of the present disclosure. FIG. 3 depicts a perspective view of the compact kit 1000 in a closed configuration, in accordance with an embodiment of the present disclosure.

[0029] The compact kit 1000 includes a base member 100 and a top member 200 for covering the base member 100 (as shown in FIGS. 1, 2A, 2B, and 3). The base member 100 includes a plurality of edges, such as a first edge 102a, a second edge 102b opposite to the first edge 102a, a third edge 102c, and a fourth edge 102d opposite to the third edge 102c. The plurality of edges will be hereinafter collectively referred to as 'plurality of edges 102'. The plurality of edges 102 is configured along a periphery (not numbered) of the base member 100 to define an enclosed area 104 therebetween. The base member 100 as shown in FIGS. 1, 2A, 2B, and 3 is rectangular in shape, and accordingly, the base member 100 has four edges. However, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the base member 100 may have any other shape, and accordingly, a specific number of edges.

[0030] Further, the base member 100 includes a plurality of pairs of supporting members, such as a pair of a first supporting member 106a and a second supporting member 106b,

disposed within the enclosed area **104** of the base member **100** (as shown in FIGS. **1** and **2A**). The plurality of pairs of supporting members, where each pair of the supporting members is inclusive of the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b**, will hereinafter be referred to as “plurality of pairs of supporting members **106**”. Specifically, the plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** extend upward from the base member **100** within the enclosed area **104**. The plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** may either removably or fixedly be disposed within the enclosed area **104** of the base member **100**. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** may be disposed within the enclosed area **104** on the base member **100** by any means known in the art, such as an adhesive, and the like. Further, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the base member **100** may be manufactured to include the plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** fixedly disposed within the enclosed area **104** of the base member **100**.

[0031] As described above, the each pair of supporting members of the plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** includes the first supporting member **106a**, and the second supporting member **106b** opposite to the first supporting member **106a** (as shown in FIGS. **1**, **2A** and **2B**). Specifically, the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b** are disposed within the enclosed area **104** of the base member **100** in a spaced apart relation. The first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b** are adapted to removably receive cosmetic articles, such as a first cosmetic article **300** therebetween (as shown in FIGS. **1**, **2A**, and **2B**). In the present embodiment of the present disclosure, the first cosmetic article **300** is a cosmetic cartridge, which is capable of holding a makeup material. Specifically, the first cosmetic article **300** is a rectangular container composed of a tin material. Examples of the makeup material may include, but are not limited to, eye shadow, blush, lipstick, lip gloss, mascara, and lotion.

[0032] FIG. **2A** depicts a perspective view of the compact kit **1000** illustrating a cosmetic article being slidably received/inserted within the compact kit **1000**. Specifically, FIG. **2A** depicts a perspective view of the compact kit **1000** showing an enlarged view of an encircled portion of the compact kit **1000** of FIG. **1**. More specifically, FIG. **2A** depicts an enlarged view of a first cosmetic article, such as the first cosmetic article **300**, being slidably received between the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b**, according to an embodiment of the present disclosure. The first supporting member **106a** includes a first sliding channel **108a** configured on the first supporting member **106a**, and more specifically, on an inner surface (not numbered) of the first supporting member **106a**. Further, the second supporting member **106b** includes a second sliding channel (not shown) configured on the second supporting member **106b**, and more specifically on an inner surface (not shown) of the second supporting member **106b**. The first sliding channel **108a** and the second sliding channel are configured to slidably receive the first cosmetic article **300**. Further, the first sliding channel **108a** and the second sliding channel will be hereinafter referred to as ‘sliding channels **108**.’

[0033] Specifically, the first cosmetic article **300** includes a first side portion **302a**, a second side portion **302b**, a third side portion **302c**, and a fourth side portion **302d**. A user may hold the first cosmetic article **300** at the first side portion **302a** and

apply specific inward force on the first cosmetic article **300** along the third side portion **302c** and the fourth side portion **302d** to enable the third side portion **302c** and the fourth side portion **302d** of the first cosmetic article **300** to be inserted into the sliding channels **108**. The first cosmetic article **300** is slid along the third side portion **302c** and the fourth side portion **302d** until the first cosmetic article **300** is snugly fitted between the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b**. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the second side portion **302b** may be held by the user, and the third side portion **302c** and the fourth side portion **302d** may be slid into the sliding channels **108**. Further, it will be evident that each of the plurality of pairs of the supporting members **106** includes sliding channels, such as the first sliding channel **108a** of the first supporting member **106a** and the second sliding channel of the second supporting member **106b** for slidably receiving various cosmetic articles therebetween. Without departing from the scope of the present disclosure, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b** may be designed in any shape other than that shown in FIG. **2A** to slidably receive the first cosmetic article **300** therebetween.

[0034] According to another embodiment of the present disclosure, the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b** are adapted to removably receive the first cosmetic article **300**, such that the first cosmetic article **300** is capable of being snap-fitted between the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b**, as shown in FIG. **2B**. More specifically, the user may hold the first cosmetic article **300** and apply a downward force on the third side portion **302c** and the fourth side portion **302d** to enable the first cosmetic article **300** to snap and fit snugly between the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b**. Without departing from the scope of the present disclosure, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b** may be designed in any shape other than that shown in FIG. **2B** to enable the first cosmetic article **300** to be snap-fitted therebetween.

[0035] Accordingly, the compact kit **1000** of the present disclosure is capable of removably holding various cosmetic articles, such as the first cosmetic article **300**, therewithin. Specifically, when the makeup material from the first cosmetic article **300** is completely utilized, the first cosmetic article **300** may be removed and replaced by a new cosmetic article. Accordingly, the compact kit **1000** enables an easy replacement of used cosmetic articles with unused/new cosmetic articles, thereby allowing a reuse of the compact kit **1000** by the user. Furthermore, the compact kit **1000** enables customization of the cosmetic articles in the compact kit **1000**, according to the requirement of the user.

[0036] The base member **100** includes a plurality of indentations **110** formed within the enclosed area **104** of the base member **100** (as shown in FIGS. **1**, **2A**, and **2B**). It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the plurality of indentations **110** may be formed within the enclosed area **104** of the base member **100** while manufacturing the compact kit **1000**. Further, each indentation of the plurality of indentations **110** is adapted to removably receive cosmetic articles, such as a second cosmetic article **400**. In an embodiment of the present disclosure, the second cosmetic article **400** is a cosmetic brush. Further, the cosmetic brush may be covered with a cap (not shown) at a portion (not numbered) thereof.

Examples of the cosmetic brush may include, but are not limited to, an eye brush, a lip brush, a mascara brush, and a powder brush. In another embodiment of the present disclosure, the second cosmetic article 400 is a lotion, such as a hand lotion and a facial lotion. In yet another embodiment of the present disclosure, the second cosmetic article 400 is a perfume. For the purpose of this description of the present embodiment of the present disclosure, an indentation of the plurality of indentations 110 is formed to removably receive a hand lotion, and six indentations of such plurality of indentations 110 are formed to removably receive cosmetic brushes of different configurations (as shown in FIG. 1).

[0037] The each indentation of the plurality of indentations 110 is formed within the enclosed area 104 of the base member 100 in accordance with the shape and size of the second cosmetic article 400 that is to be removably received within the each indentation of the plurality of indentations 110. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the plurality of indentations 110 may vary in shapes and sizes according to the shapes and sizes of cosmetic articles that need to be removably received therewithin.

[0038] The user may separately purchase the cosmetic articles, such as the second cosmetic article 400, for the each indentation of the plurality of indentations 110 formed within the enclosed area 104 of the base member 100 of the compact kit 1000. The cosmetic articles may then be placed within indentations that correspond to the shapes and sizes of the cosmetic articles. Specifically, the cosmetic articles are capable of being snugly fitted into the corresponding indentations of the plurality of indentations 110.

[0039] It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the compact kit 1000 may have any arrangement in terms of location of the plurality of pairs of supporting members 106 and the plurality of indentations 110, other than the one depicted in FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B.

[0040] Further, the top member 200 of the compact kit 1000 is pivotally coupled with the base member 100 (as shown in FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B). Specifically, the top member 200 is pivotally coupled with the base member 100 at the first edge 102a of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100. FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B depict a particular edge to be the first edge 102a of the base member 100, however, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the first edge 102a may be any other edge of the base member 100, and accordingly, the top member 200 may be pivotally coupled with the base member 100 at any other edge of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100.

[0041] The top member 200 is pivotally coupled with the base member 100 by one or more coupling mechanisms, such as coupling mechanisms 202, disposed on the first edge 102a of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100, and a first corresponding edge 204a of the top member 200. Specifically, a first portion (not numbered) of each of the coupling mechanisms 202 is disposed on the first edge 102a of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100, and a second portion (not numbered) of the each of the coupling mechanisms 202 is disposed on the first corresponding edge 204a of the top member 200. The first corresponding edge 204a of the top member 200 is aligned with the first edge 102a of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100, when the top member 200 is laid over the base member 100. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the coupling mechanisms 202 may be disposed at any other edge of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100, and any other corre-

sponding edge of the top member 200. Further, in the present embodiment of the present disclosure, the each of the coupling mechanisms 202 is a hinge mechanism. However, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the each of the coupling mechanisms 202 may be any other coupling mechanism known in the art.

[0042] The compact kit 1000 further includes one or more closure mechanisms, such as a closure mechanism 206, for releasably securing the top member 200 to the base member 100, when the top member 200 is laid over the base member 100 for closing the compact kit 1000. For the purpose of this description, the compact kit 1000 includes one closure mechanism, such as the closure mechanism 206, which includes a first engagement member, such as a first engagement member 206a, and a second engagement member, such as a second engagement member 206b.

[0043] The first engagement member 206a is configured on the second edge 102b of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100. The second engagement member 206b is configured on a second corresponding edge 204b opposite to the first corresponding edge 204a of the top member 200. The second corresponding edge 204b aligns with the second edge 102b of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100, when the top member 200 is laid over the base member 100. FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B depict a particular edge to be the second edge 102b of the base member 100 and a particular edge to be the second corresponding edge 204b of the top member 200, however, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the second edge 102b may be any other edge of the base member 100, and the second corresponding edge 204b may be any other edge of the top member 200. Accordingly, the first engagement member 206a may be configured on any other edge of the plurality of edges 102 of the base member 100 and the second engagement member 206b may be configured accordingly on a corresponding edge of the top member 200. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the second engagement member 206b may be configured on the top member 200 by any attachment means known in the art, such as adhesive, and the like. It will be further evident to a person skilled in the art that the first engagement member 206a and the second engagement member 206b may be configured on the base member 100 and the top member 200, while manufacturing the compact kit 1000.

[0044] The first engagement member 206a engages with the second engagement member 206b when the top member 200 is laid over the base member 100, by the user, for closing the compact kit 1000, as shown in FIG. 3. Specifically, the user may apply sufficient downward force on the top member 200 to enable the second engagement member 206b to be received completely within the first engagement member 206a for snap-fitting the base member 100 with the top member 200 for enabling the compact kit 1000 to assume the closed configuration (as shown in FIG. 3).

[0045] As shown in FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B, the second engagement member 206b is designed to be completely received within the first engagement member 206a to facilitate a snap-fit engagement of the top member 200 with the base member 100 for releasably securing the top member 200 to the base member 100. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that though FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B depict the aforementioned type of closure mechanism 206 for closing the compact kit 1000, however, any other closure mechanism, which is incapable of interfering with the working of electronic equipments, may be utilized for closing the compact kit

1000. Suitable examples of such a closure mechanism known in the art include, but are not limited to, latches and notches, hook-and-loop mechanism, and the like. In another embodiment of the present disclosure, the plurality of edges **102** of the base member **100** may be designed to completely receive corresponding edges of the top member **200** when the top member **200** is laid over the base member **100** to facilitate the snap-fit engagement of the top member **200** with the base member **100** for releasably securing the top member **200** to the base member **100**.

[0046] In the present embodiment of the present disclosure, the top member **200** also includes a mirror **500** mounted on an inner surface **208a** of the top member **200** (as shown in an enlarged view of an encircled portion of the compact kit **1000** in FIG. 1). Specifically, the mirror **500** may be mounted on the inner surface **208a** of the top member **200** by an attachment means known in the art. Suitable examples of the attachment means may include, but are not limited to, a layer of glue, an adhesive strip, interlocking fitting engagement members, and the like.

[0047] Further, the top member **200** includes a visual representation, such as an image **600**, imprinted on an outer surface **208b** of the top member **200** to provide an aesthetic appearance to the compact kit **1000** (as shown in FIG. 3). Other suitable examples of the visual representation may include, but are not limited to, stickers, logos, designs, labels, and the like, on the outer surface **208b**.

[0048] In use, the compact kit **1000** of FIG. 3, when provided in the closed configuration, may be opened by applying sufficient upward force on the top member **200** in order to facilitate disengagement of the first engagement member **206a** from the second engagement member **206b** for enabling the compact kit **1000** to assume the open configuration of FIGS. 1, 2A, and 2B. Subsequently, the user may then open the compact kit **1000** for accessing various cosmetic articles, such as the first cosmetic article **300** and the second cosmetic article **400**. Thereafter, the user may apply makeup materials, such as the makeup material stored within the first cosmetic article **300**, to enhance his/her appearance.

[0049] Further, the cosmetic articles, such as the first cosmetic article **300** may then be removed from the compact kit **1000** when the makeup materials contained in the cosmetic articles is being completely used-up by the user. Additionally, the cosmetic articles may be removed from the compact kit **1000** when the user desires to customize the compact kit **1000** using cosmetic articles having makeup materials of his/her choice. Specifically, the user may apply specific outward force on the second side portion **302b** of the first cosmetic article **300** to enable the first cosmetic article **300** to move away from within the sliding channels **108** along the third side portion **302c** and the fourth side portion **302d** of the first cosmetic article **300**. The cosmetic articles may then be disposed of and new cosmetic articles, structurally and configurationally similar to the first cosmetic article **300**, may be removably received between the first supporting member **106a** and the second supporting member **106b** through the sliding channels **108**. In an embodiment of the present disclosure, the used cosmetic articles may further be recycled.

[0050] Furthermore, cosmetic articles, such as the second cosmetic article **400** that is in the form of a brush, as provided in the plurality of indentations **110**, may be removed from the plurality of indentations **110**, for a use thereof. Subsequently, the cosmetic articles may then again be received within the plurality of indentations **110**. In addition, a new second cos-

metic article may be removably received within the plurality of indentations **110** once a used cosmetic article, such as a used second cosmetic article **400**, undergoes wear and tear and is incapable of being used any further. For example, the user may desire to replace a damaged second cosmetic article with a new cosmetic article, which is structurally and configurationally similar to the second cosmetic article **400**, in an indentation of the plurality of indentations **110** after opening the compact kit **1000**. Specifically, the user may apply specific downward force on the new cosmetic article such that the new cosmetic article is snugly received within the indentation of the plurality of indentations **110**.

[0051] The compact kit **1000** of the present disclosure is illustrated as a rectangular compact kit for describing various embodiments of the disclosure. However, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the compact kit **1000** may be configured to have a shape of a square, a trapezoid, and the like. In an embodiment of the present disclosure, the compact kit **1000** of the present disclosure may have a length of about 4.5 inches, a width of about 4 inches, and a height ranging from about 0.25 inches to about 0.375 inches. Accordingly, the compact kit **1000** is a small-sized kit and may easily be carried by a user while traveling. However, it will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the dimensions of the compact kit **1000** may vary depending upon a manufacturer's preference and a user's requirement.

[0052] Further, the compact kit **1000** is composed of a plastic material. Specifically, the base member **100** and the top member **200** are composed of a plastic material. Further, the each pair of the plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** is composed of a plastic material. Accordingly, the compact kit **1000** of the present disclosure is a lightweight compact kit. It will be evident to a person skilled in the art that the some components of the compact kit **1000**, such as the base member **100**, the top member **200**, and the plurality of pairs of supporting members **106** may be composed of any other suitable material, known in the art.

[0053] The present disclosure provides a compact kit, such as the compact kit **1000**, for holding cosmetic articles to be used by users, in an organized and easy-to-access manner. Specifically, the plurality of pairs of supporting members and the plurality of indentations of the compact kit enable removable holding of the cosmetic articles in an organized manner. Further, a simple arrangement of the components of the compact kit provides an easy accessibility of the cosmetic articles by a user. Furthermore, the compact kit is portable and may be carried conveniently by the user while traveling. In addition, the compact kit is capable of being reused by replacing the cosmetic articles, after completely utilizing cosmetic materials retained within the cosmetic articles. Moreover, the compact kit may be customized according to the requirements and preferences of the user as the user may buy cosmetic articles according to his/her choice. Specifically, cosmetic articles having makeup materials of specific shades may directly be bought and removably held within the compact kit in order to customize the compact kit for a specific occasion, as per the user's requirements.

[0054] Additionally, the compact kit utilizes a closure mechanism that does not interfere with functions of various electronic equipment, such as mobile phones, electronic hand-held games, and the like, which may also be carried in a bag holding the compact kit. Accordingly, the compact kit of

the present disclosure may be carried conveniently along with other electronic equipments without causing any damage to the electronic equipment.

[0055] The foregoing descriptions of specific embodiments of the present disclosure have been presented for purposes of illustration and description. They are not intended to be exhaustive or to limit the present disclosure to the precise forms disclosed, and obviously many modifications and variations are possible in light of the above teaching. The embodiments were chosen and described in order to best explain the principles of the present disclosure and its practical application, and to thereby enable others skilled in the art to best utilize the present disclosure and various embodiments with various modifications as are suited to the particular use contemplated. It is understood that various omissions and substitutions of equivalents are contemplated as circumstances may suggest or render expedient, but such omissions and substitutions are intended to cover the application or implementation without departing from the spirit or scope of the claims of the present disclosure.

What is claimed is:

1. A compact kit for holding cosmetic articles, the compact kit comprising:

- a base member comprising,
 - a plurality of pairs of supporting members disposed on the base member and extending upward from the base member, each pair of the plurality of pairs of supporting members comprising a first supporting member and a second supporting member opposite to the first supporting member, the first supporting member and the second supporting member disposed in a spaced apart relation and adapted to removably receive a first cosmetic article therebetween, and
 - a plurality of indentations formed on the base member, each indentation of the plurality of indentations adapted to removably receive a second cosmetic article therewithin; and
 - a top member pivotally coupled with the base member for covering the base member.

2. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein each of the first supporting member and the second supporting member comprises a sliding channel for slidably receiving the first cosmetic article therethrough, for enabling the first cosmetic article to be removably received between the first supporting member and the second supporting member.

3. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the first supporting member and the second supporting member are adapted to

removably receive the first cosmetic article, such that the first cosmetic article is capable of being snap-fitted between the first supporting member and the second supporting member.

4. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the top member is pivotally coupled with the base member by one or more coupling mechanisms disposed on a first edge of the base member, and a first corresponding edge of the top member, wherein the first corresponding edge of the top member is aligned with the first edge of the base member when the top member is laid over the base member.

5. The compact kit of claim 4, wherein each coupling mechanism of the one or more coupling mechanisms is a hinge mechanism.

6. The compact kit of claim 4, further comprising one or more closure mechanisms for releasably securing the top member to the base member, each of the one or more closure mechanisms comprising,

- a first engagement member configured on a second edge opposite to the first edge of the base member, and
- a second engagement member configured on a second corresponding edge opposite to the first corresponding edge of the top member, the second corresponding edge capable of being aligned with the second edge of the base member when the top member is laid over the base member,

wherein the first engagement member engages with the second engagement member when the top member is laid over the base member for closing the compact kit.

7. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the first cosmetic article is a cosmetic cartridge capable of holding a makeup material.

8. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the second cosmetic article is a cosmetic brush.

9. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the second cosmetic article is a lotion.

10. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the second cosmetic article is a perfume.

11. The compact kit of claim 1, further comprising a mirror mounted on an inner surface of the top member.

12. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the top member is composed of a plastic material.

13. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the base member is composed of a plastic material.

14. The compact kit of claim 1, wherein the each pair of the plurality of pairs of supporting members is composed of a plastic material.

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