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- [54] **STACKABLE CASTLE CRATE**
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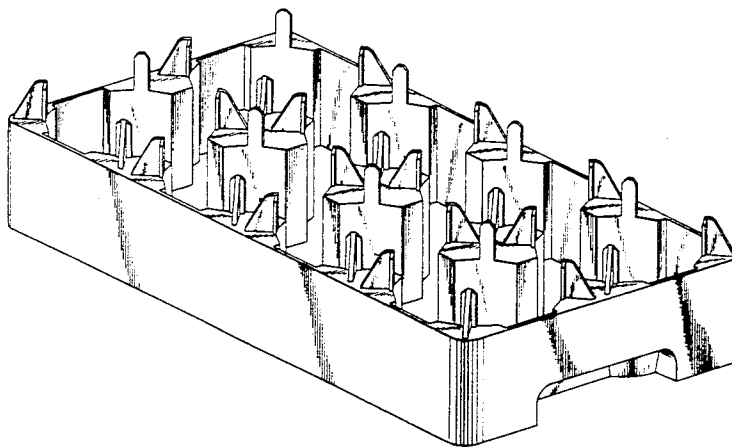
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Exhibit O: Four photos of an embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 4,344,530 to deLarcosiere.

Exhibit Q: Four photos of an embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 4,344,530 for 3-liter PET bottles.

Exhibit P: Four photos of an embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 4,700,837 to Hammett.

Exhibit R: Four photos of a modified embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 4,700,837 for 3-liter PET bottles.

Exhibits A & B: Two photos of an embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 4,773,554 to Warwick.

Exhibit C: VHS Tape, Tecknol B. V., "The Megapak Principle" (running time 10 minutes).

Exhibits D-F: Three photos of a bottle neck resting type crate with projections above the outer side walls.

Exhibit K: One photo of a bottle neck resting type crate with different height outer side walls.

Exhibits G-J: Four photos of a bottle neck resting type crate without projections above the outer side walls.

Exhibit L: Four photos of an embodiment of Great Britain Patent Publication No. 2,158,044 and U.S. Pat. No. D. 289,938.

Exhibit M: Copy of a Brochure illustrating an embodiment of GB No. 2,158,044/U.S. Pat. No. D. 289,938.

Exhibit N: Copy of a Brochure illustrating an embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 4,773,554 and an embodiment of GB No. 2,158,044/U.S. Pat. No. D. 289,938.

Exhibit S: Three photos of an embodiment of U.S. Pat. No. 3,392,869 to Needt.

Exhibit T: Four photos of a prior art crate of Rehrig-Pacific Company, Model No. PLBC-8-2L-HD.

Exhibit U: Four photos of a prior art crate of Rehrig-Pacific Company, Model No. PLBC-6-2L-HD.

Exhibit V: Four photos of a prior art crate of Rehrig-Pacific Company, Model No. PLBC-8-2L-PET-QD.

Exhibit Y: Brochure and photo, "Interlocking bottom grid, Cross Stackable."

Exhibit Z: One-page brochure disclosing a prior art 2-liter PET case having a plurality of notches on the top wall.

Exhibit AA: One-page brochure illustrating the prior art 2-liter PET case.

Exhibits W and X: Brochures including a PBC-6-2L (LO) crate for 2-liter bottles.

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CLAIM

The ornamental design for a stackable castle crate, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a stackable castle crate showing my new design;

FIG. 2 is a front elevation thereof; the rear side being a mirror image thereof;

FIG. 3 is a left side elevation thereof; the right side elevation being a mirror image thereof;

FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof; and,

FIG. 6 is a bottom plan view thereof, with an insert of bottom connecting structure.

The broken line showing of an insert of bottom connecting structure is shown for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

FIG. 1

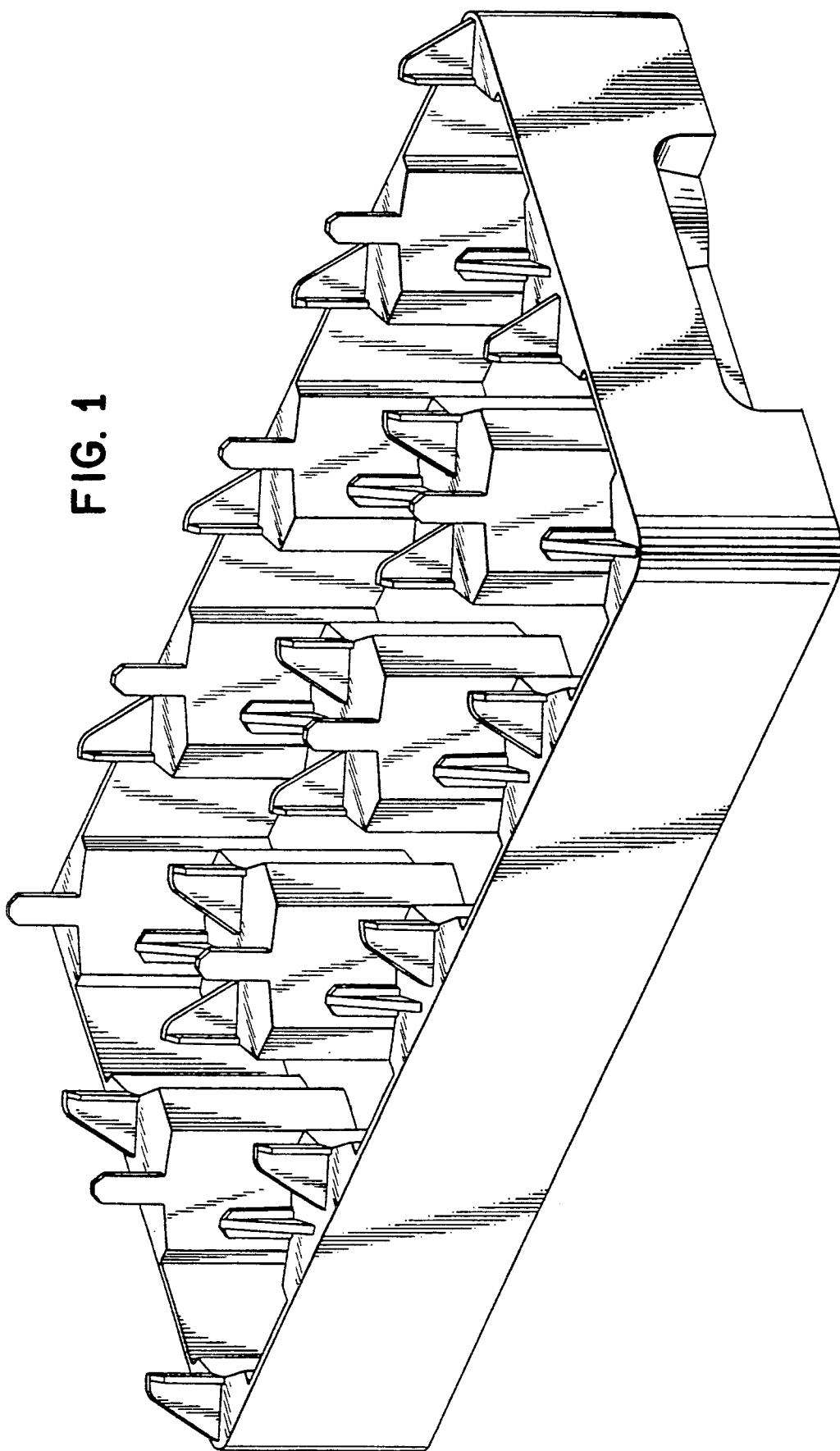


FIG. 2

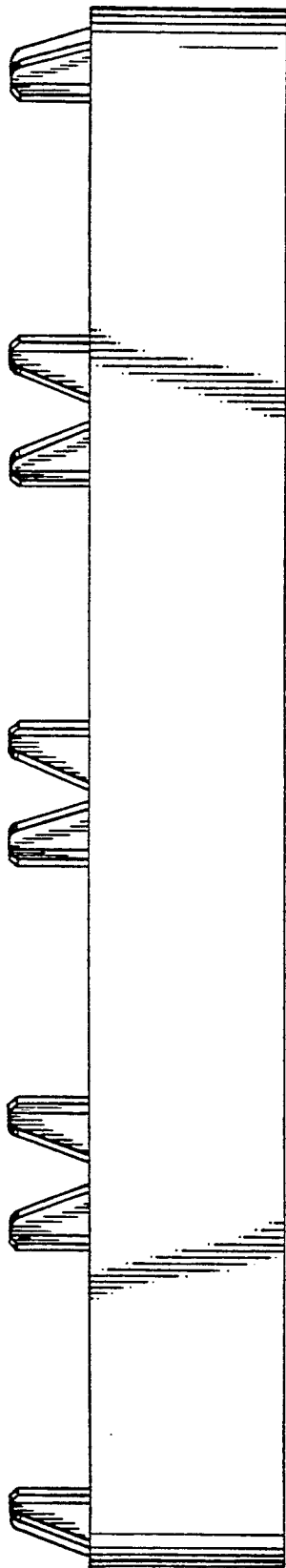


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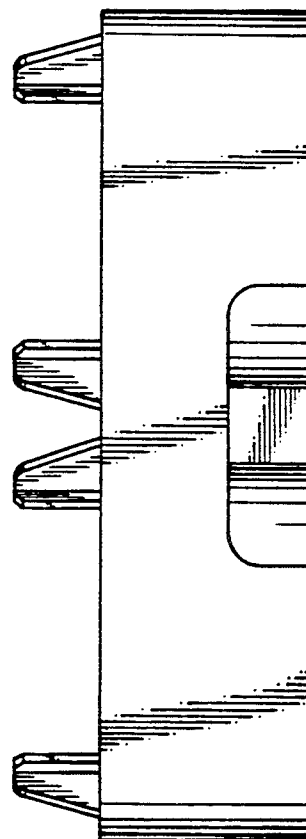


FIG. 4

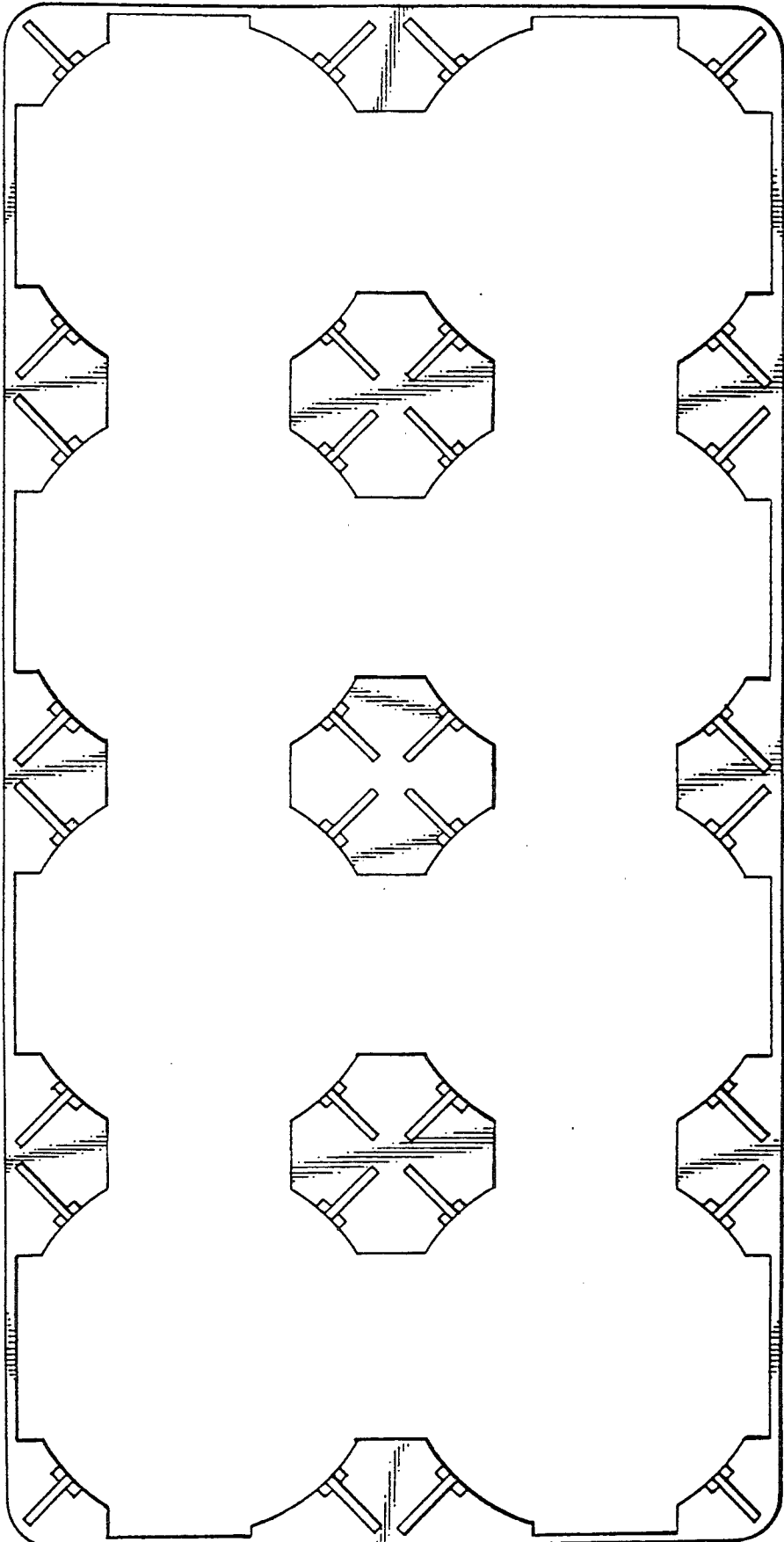


FIG. 5

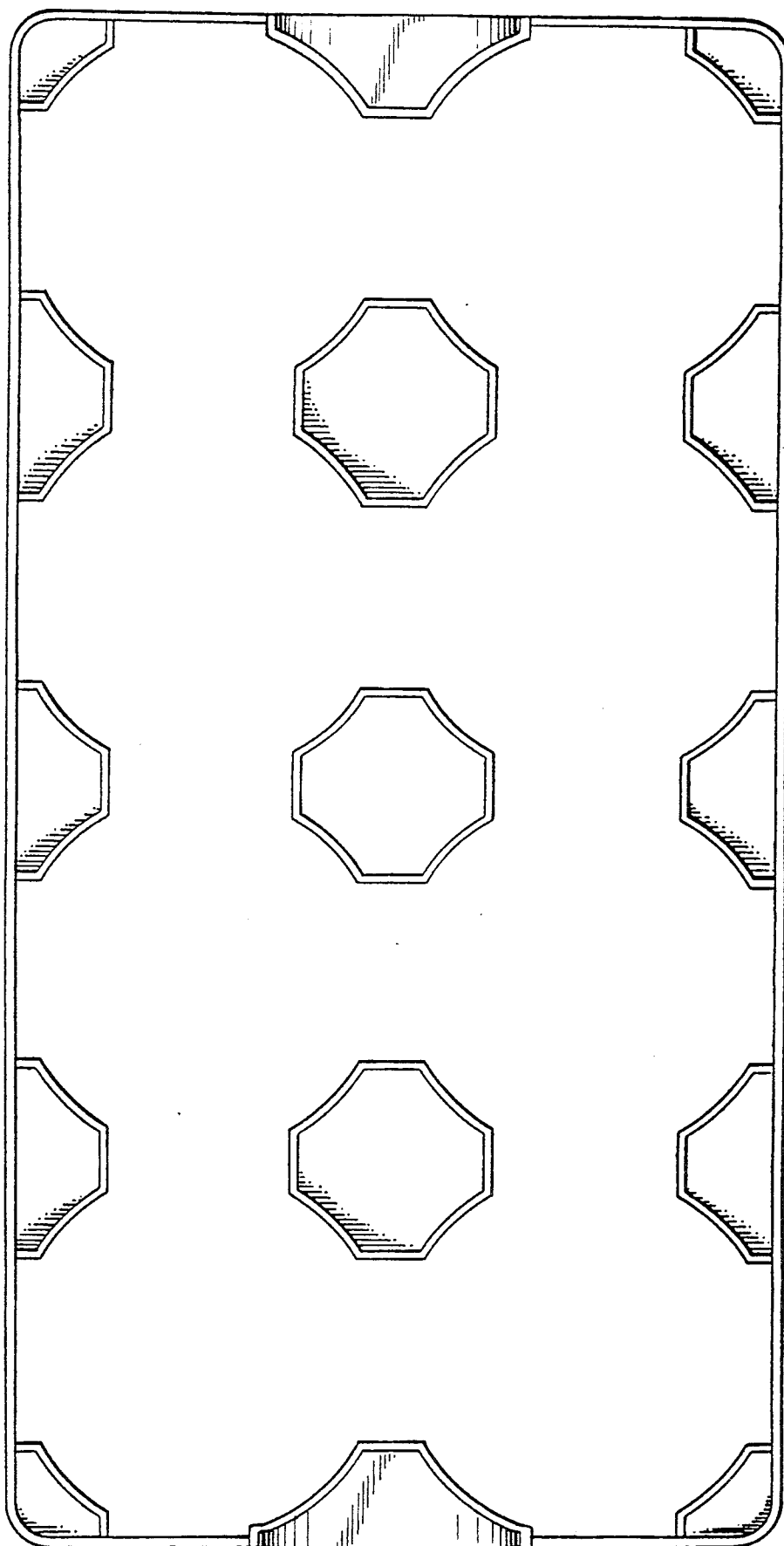


FIG. 6

