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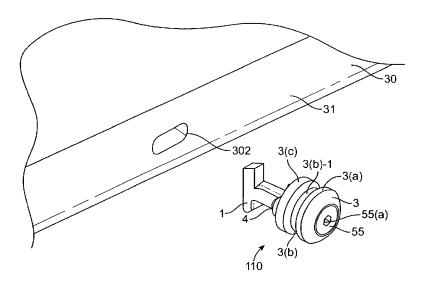


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A security apparatus is disclosed. The security apparatus comprises an attachment device comprising a base, and a locking head configured to secure to the base. The locking head can have a securing element and a locking component, associated with a housing. The locking head may be in a secured configuration upon a single motion or movement of the locking head.



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Group I, claims 1-19, drawn to a security apparatus comprising an attachment device having a base and a head comprising a housing, a gate structure, a biasing element, and a locking component inside of the housing; and a security system and a method thereof.

Group II, claims 20, drawn to an attachment device comprising a cap element and an engagement member, wherein the rod extends through the central axial hole in the base and is coupled to the engagement member.

Group III, claims 21-25, drawn to an attachment device comprising a base having a maximum lateral dimension of about 8 mm; and an engagement member attached to the base, the engagement member configured to engage with a portable article; and a method thereof.

Group IV, claims 26-33, drawn to an attachment device for use in securing a portable article, the attachment device comprising: base comprising a cylinder, the base having a recess to receive a securing element; and an engagement member attached to the base, the engagement member comprising a threaded post; and a method thereof.

Group V, claims 34-40, drawn to a method comprising: obtaining a portable article, and an attachment device attached to the portable article, wherein the attachment device comprises a base extending from the portable article; and attaching a head to the attachment device by a single motion, wherein the head comprises a housing and a locking component inside of the housing, and further wherein the locking component is in a locked configuration after the head is attached.

Group VI, claims 41-49, drawn to a security system comprising: a portable article having a housing and a chassis disposed within the housing; and an attachment device attached to the portable article, wherein the attachment device is attached to the chassis through a hole in the housing; and a method thereof.

Group VII, claims 50-52, drawn to a locking head for use with an attachment device, comprising: a housing; a securing element associated with the housing; and a locking component associated with the housing, wherein the locking head is capable of securing to the attachment device upon a single movement of the locking head, using the securing element.

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