



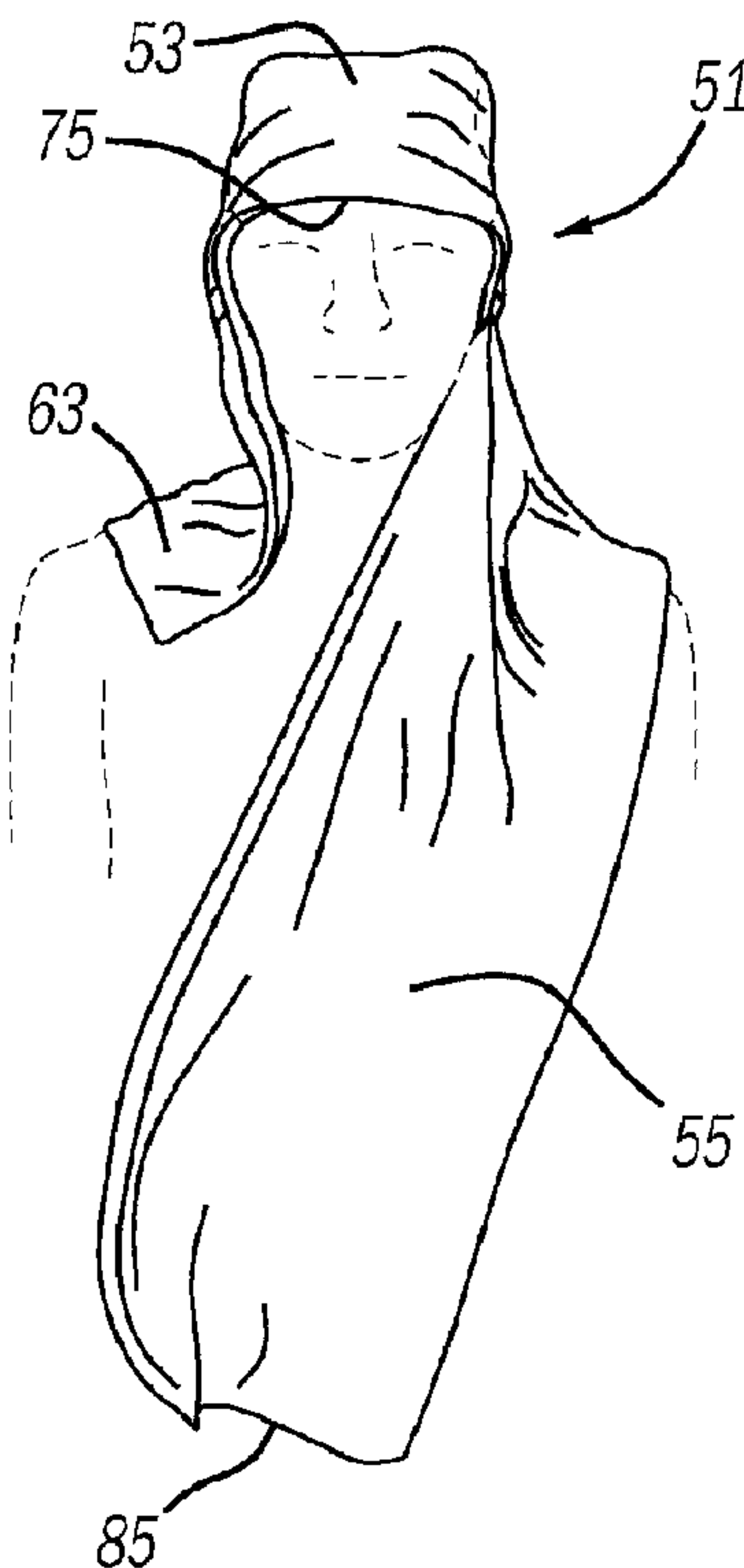
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(57) **Abrégé/Abstract:**

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ABSTRACT

Reconfigurable headwear includes a scarf and a hood. In another aspect, a scarf of a headwear garment only extends from one side of a hood. Yet another aspect provides a scarf integrally extending from a hood, with a distal end of the scarf wrapping around the hood and with essentially infinite adjustability secured away from a face opening. A further aspect of a hood and single scarf permanently attached to and extending from only one side of the hood, also has a border externally located on the hood adjacent a face opening, with the border having a different material characteristic from a top of the hood but having the same material characteristic has an exterior of the scarf.

RECONFIGURABLE HEADWEAR WITH SCARF

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY

[0001] The present disclosure generally pertains to headwear and more particularly to reconfigurable headwear including a hood and scarf.

[0002] Conventional headwear employs a hat or a scarf, but not both in a single garment. Various traditional hats have occasionally used facemasks, both ends of which are removeably buttoned onto the hat. This approach, however, is difficult to attach and detach as it requires both hands and usually removal of the hat from the user's head. Furthermore, this traditional hat and mask arrangement are aesthetically displeasing and can only be attached in a single configuration. Moreover, balaclavas temporarily obstruct the user's vision when put on and are difficult to put on or take off especially if the user wears eyeglasses.

[0003] Other known headwear constructions employ multiple flaps or drawstrings which are difficult to attach together and typically require both hands to do so. Temporary knots loosen during use, and knots and buttons may be difficult for children to secure especially with gloved hands. Such conventional constructions are disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 5,115,517 entitled "Scarf Garment" which issued to Ferguson et al. on May 26, 1992, and U.S. Design Patent No. D629,180 entitled "Head Covering" which issued to Hood on December 21, 2010. Both of these patents are incorporated by reference herein. Furthermore, these prior patents disclose flaps which are uncomfortable to wear across a user's face.

[0004] In accordance with the present invention, reconfigurable headwear includes a scarf and a hood. In another aspect, a scarf of a headwear garment only extends from one side of a hood. Yet another aspect provides a scarf integrally extending from a hood, with a distal end of the scarf wrapping around the hood by at least 270° and with essentially infinite adjustability secured away from a face opening. A further aspect of a hood and single scarf permanently attached to and extending from only one side of the hood, also has a border externally located on the hood adjacent a face opening, with the border having a different material characteristic from a top of the hood but having the same material characteristic as an exterior of the scarf.

[0005] The present reconfigurable headwear is advantageous over traditional headwear. For example, the present reconfigurable headwear is aesthetically pleasing with significant ornamental features. Furthermore, both the scarf and hood portions of the present headwear are reconfigurable to many different positions. Moreover, the present reconfigurable headwear employs an integral scarf that can be quickly and easily attached and detached to the hood across and/or below the face, in a single-handed manner which is easily manipulatable by children or with gloved hands. The present headwear should not obstruct a wearer's vision, does not dislodge medical devices on a wearer's nose, mouth or neck, and does not tug on face pierced jewelry, when the headwear is installed or removed. Additional features and advantages of the present reconfigurable headwear will become apparent from the following description and appended claims taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0006] Figure 1 is a side elevational view showing a first embodiment of the present headwear;

[0007] Figure 2 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear;

[0008] Figure 3 is a side elevational view, taken opposite that of Figure 1, showing the first embodiment headwear;

[0009] Figure 4 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear with a scarf in a lowered position;

[0010] Figure 5 is a side elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 4 position;

[0011] Figure 6 is a side elevational view, taken opposite that of Figure 5, showing the first embodiment headwear;

[0012] Figure 7 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear, with the scarf in a nose and mouth covering position;

[0013] Figure 8 is a side elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 7 position;

[0014] Figure 9 is a side elevational view, taken opposite that of Figure 8, showing the first embodiment headwear;

[0015] Figure 10 is a rear elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 7 position;

[0016] Figure 11 is a top elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 7 position;

[0017] Figure 12 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear, with the scarf in a mouth covering position below the nose;

[0018] Figure 13 is a side elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 12 position;

[0019] Figure 14 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear, with the scarf in a position below a face;

[0020] Figure 15 is a side elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 17 position;

[0021] Figure 16 is a rear elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 14 position;

[0022] Figure 17 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear draped in a position below the face and a neck;

[0023] Figure 18 is a side elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in the Figure 17 position;

[0024] Figure 19 is a rear elevational view showing the first embodiment in the Figure 17 position;

[0025] Figure 20 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in a position covering the nose and mouth but exposing a top of a head;

[0026] Figure 21 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in a position covering the mouth but exposing the nose and the top of the head;

[0027] Figure 22 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in a position covering the neck but exposing the entire head;

[0028] Figure 23 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in a position draped below the neck but exposing the entire head;

[0029] Figure 24 is a front elevational view showing the first embodiment headwear in a position around a back of the neck, exposing the entire head and being unfastened at a front;

[0030] Figure 25 is a side elevational view showing a second embodiment of the present headwear;

[0031] Figure 26 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear;

[0032] Figure 27 is a side elevational view, taken opposite that of Figure 25, showing the second embodiment headwear;

[0033] Figure 28 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear, having an optional pom-pom, with a scarf in a lowered position;

[0034] Figure 29 is a side elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in the Figure 28 position;

[0035] Figure 30 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear with the scarf in a position covering a nose and mouth;

[0036] Figure 31 is a side elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear, having the optional pom-pom, in the Figure 30 position;

[0037] Figure 32 is a rear elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear, having the optional pom-pom, in the Figure 30 position;

[0038] Figure 33 is a top elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in the Figure 30 position;

[0039] Figure 34 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear with the scarf in a mouth covering position below the nose;

[0040] Figure 35 is a side elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear, having the optional pom-pom, in the Figure 34 position;

[0041] Figure 36 is a rear elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in the Figure 34 position;

[0042] Figure 37 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear with the scarf in a position covering a neck below an entire face;

[0043] Figure 38 is a side elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in the Figure 40 position;

[0044] Figure 39 is a rear elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in the Figure 37 position;

[0045] Figure 40 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear with the scarf in a position draped below the face and neck;

[0046] Figure 41 is a rear elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in the Figure 40 position;

[0047] Figure 42 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in a position covering the nose and mouth but exposing a top of a head;

[0048] Figure 43 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in a position covering the mouth but exposing the nose and the top of the head;

[0049] Figure 44 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in a position covering the neck but exposing the entire head;

[0050] Figure 45 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in a position exposing the head and neck;

[0051] Figure 46 is a front elevational view showing the second embodiment headwear in a position draped around a back of the neck, exposing the entire head and being unfastened at a front;

[0052] Figure 47 is a side elevational view showing a third embodiment of the present headwear;

[0053] Figure 48 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear;

[0054] Figure 49 is a side elevational view, taken opposite that of Figure 47, showing the third embodiment headwear;

[0055] Figure 50 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear with a scarf in a lowered position;

[0056] Figure 51 is an exaggerated cross-sectional view, taken along line 51 – 51 of Figure 50, showing the third embodiment headwear;

[0057] Figure 52 is a side elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear;

[0058] Figure 53 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear with the scarf in a nose and mouth covering position;

[0059] Figure 54 is a side elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 53 position;

[0060] Figure 55 is a rear elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 53 position;

[0061] Figure 56 is a top elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 53 position;

[0062] Figure 57 is front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear with the scarf in a position covering the mouth and below the nose;

[0063] Figure 58 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear with the scarf in a position covering a neck and exposing a face;

[0064] Figure 59 is a side elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 58 position;

[0065] Figure 60 is a rear elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 58 position;

[0066] Figure 61 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear with the scarf in a draped position below the face and neck;

[0067] Figure 62 is a side elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 61 position;

[0068] Figure 63 is a rear elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 61 position;

[0069] Figure 64 is a rear elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in the Figure 61 position, with the scarf laterally extended;

[0070] Figure 65 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in a position covering the nose and mouth but exposing a top of a head;

[0071] Figure 66 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in a position covering the mouth and exposing the nose and the top of the head;

[0072] Figure 67 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in a position covering the neck and exposing the entire head;

[0073] Figure 68 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in a position draped below the neck but exposing the entire head; and

[0074] Figure 69 is a front elevational view showing the third embodiment headwear in a position around a back of the neck, exposing the entire head and being unfastened at a front.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0075] A first embodiment of the present headwear 51 is shown in Figure 1 – 24. Headwear 51 includes a hood 53 and a scarf 55. Hood 53 has a top segment 61 and a lower segment, which include a pair of opposite side sections 63 and 65 covering a wearer's ears, and a rear section 67. In this exemplary embodiment, the side and rear sections are sewn together at generally parallel for-and-aft extending seams 69 which run from a bottom edge 71 to an upper portion 73 of a front opening edge 75. A lower front corner 81 of hood 53 is at a substantially right angle between a generally vertically elongated side edge portion 83 of front opening 75, relative to bottom edge 71.

[0076] Scarf 55 is an integrally extending panel of the same piece of fabric as side section 65 of hood 53. Thus, scarf 55 and hood 53 are permanently attached together. A distal end 85 of scarf 55 has a generally straight edge opposite the proximal end connected to side section 65. A horizontally elongated hook-and-loop fastener 87 is sewn to an interior surface of scarf 55 adjacent an upper edge 89 thereof. Fastener 87 is removeably attachable to a mating hook-and-loop fastener 91 sewn to an exterior

surface of hood 53. Fastener 91 extends in a generally horizontally elongated manner (as viewed when worn when the wearer is standing upright), extending at least a majority of a circumferential distance around hood 53 and more preferably, entirely between the side edge portions of front opening 75. Alternately, fastener 91 may only extend from adjacent front opening 75 to a central rear position of hood 53. Furthermore, one or more shortened and spaced apart square hook-and-loop fasteners may alternately replace the elongated fasteners 87 and/or 91. Hook-and-loop fasteners 87 and 91 advantageously allow for single handed attachment and detachment of distal end 85 of scarf 55 to hood 53 in infinitely adjustable positions therebetween. Alternately, a series of discreet fasteners such as buttons, snaps, hooks and loops, frog closures and holes, or magnetic fasteners may be employed between scarf 55 and hood 53, however, the single handed fastening and infinite adjustability advantages of the preferred construction will not be realized.

[0077] The hood and scarf segments are preferably cut and sewn from a 100% polyester microfleece textile fabric material. Scarf 55 preferably has a length "L" of at least 15 inches and more preferably at least 18 inches, measured between side section 75 and distal end 85. Furthermore, scarf 55 preferably has a height "H" of at least 6 inches which is more than half of a total height "h" of the entire headwear. Length "L" of scarf 55 also has a greater dimension than a width "W" of hood 53.

[0078] Headwear 51 is reconfigurable to many different wearing arrangements as will now be discussed in greater detail. Figures 4 – 6 illustrate hood 53 in a worn position upon a head and neck of the wearer. In this configuration, distal end 85 of scarf 55 is shown unfastened from side section 63 of hood 53 and is placed in a

downwardly hanging vertical or diagonal orientation with distal end 85 hanging away from hood 55.

[0079] Next, Figures 7 – 11 show a fully wrapped arrangement, such as for use in cold or windy outdoor weather, where distal end 85 of scarf 55 is wrapped around the wearer's head and hood 53 by approximately 360° such that at least an upper corner of distal end 85 is positioned adjacent front edge 75 at the proximal end of scarf 55. In this configuration, a middle segment of scarf 55 covers the wearer's nose, mouth and front of neck. While the fabric density of scarf 55 provide thermal and wind insulation, they are nonetheless porous enough to allow the user to breathe through the material.

[0080] Figures 12 and 13 show yet another configuration where distal end 85 of scarf 55 is wrapped around one side and the rear sections of hood 53. However, in this position, the middle segment of scarf 55 covers the wearer's mouth and neck but is below the nose. Referring now to Figures 14 and 16, distal end 85 of scarf 55 is wrapped to a midpoint of the rear section of hood 53, approximately 270° from the proximal end of scarf 55, such that the entire user face is fully exposed. But, the user's front of neck is covered by the middle segment of scarf 55.

[0081] The arrangement of Figures 15, 17 – 19 allows the middle segment of scarf 55 to drape below the user's face and neck with distal end 85 fastened to side section 63 adjacent the side edge of opening 75. This provides an aesthetically pleasing draping effect of scarf 55.

[0082] Figures 20 – 22 show headwear 51 in various lowered configurations where hood 53 has been pulled back to expose at least a top portion of the user's head and a top of the user's ears. Figure 20 illustrates scarf 55 completely wrapped around

the user's nose, mouth and neck while Figure 21 only partially wraps scarf 55 to cover the user's mouth and neck but below the nose. Figure 22 places scarf 55 in a more loosely fastened manner to fully cover the user's neck but entirely expose the user's head. Moreover, distal end 85 of scarf 55 is only slightly attached to hood 53 to loosely drape below the wearer's head and neck in the condition observed in Figure 23. Finally, Figure 24 shows a detached arrangement where the middle segment of scarf 55 is wrapped around a rear of the user's neck but both hood 53 and distal end 85 downwardly hang in a spaced apart manner from the user's neck.

[0083] A second embodiment of the present headwear 151 is illustrated in Figures 25 – 46. This embodiment employs a two-tone appearance where a scarf 185 and associated side section 165, rear section 167 and opposite side section 163 of a hood 153 define a lower segment which are all cut from the same fabric sheet as an integral and single piece component. A top segment 161 of hood 153 is separately sewn onto side and rear hood sections 163, 165 and 167 at a generally horizontally and circumferentially elongated seam to which the laterally elongated hook-and-loop fastener 191 is also sewn or otherwise attached.

[0084] A material characteristic, such as color, pattern, material type and/or texture, of the lower material segment is different than of the upper material. By way of further example, breathability and/or water resistance may be different between these two material areas. Moreover, an aesthetically pleasing border 195 is sewn around an upper segment of front opening 175. Border 195 may also have a different characteristic than scarf 185 and/or top 161 of hood 153. For example, the lower

segment and border 195 can have the same darker color and pattern as contrasted to a lighter and solid color for top 161.

[0085] Turning now to Figures 27 and 31 - 33, a different sewn seam pattern is presented in this second embodiment as compared to the first embodiment. In the present exemplary configuration, a sewn seam 169 extends from an upper peak 197 of hood 153 and continues all the way down to the horizontal lower segment seam adjacent fastener 191 along a central back. Laterally crossing seams 166 and diagonally crossing seams 168 originate from peak 197 and only span a shorter distance across the uppermost area of top 161 of hood 153. This seam configuration serves to flatten down and outwardly bunch top 161 to create rounded corners at the shorter seam ends. Therefore, the aesthetic appearance of this hood is different than the considerably smoother top of the first embodiment hood. Furthermore, an optional pom-pom 199, tassel, button or other aesthetic exterior attachment may be secured at peak 197 of hood 153.

[0086] Various reconfigurable wearing positions of headwear 151 will now be described for this second exemplary embodiment. Figures 28 and 29 show distal end 185 of scarf 155 in an opened and downwardly hanging position. Next, Figures 30 - 33 show distal end 185 of scarf 155 entirely wrapped around such that a lateral elongated hook-and-loop fastener 187 (see Figure 25) sewn to the scarf fully engages mating hook-and-loop fastener 191. Thus, the wearer's nose, mouth and neck are covered by a middle segment of scarf 155.

[0087] Referring now to Figures 34 - 36, distal end 185 of scarf 155 is wrapped to a position adjacent central rear seam 169 such that the wearer's nose is exposed but

the mouth and neck are covered. As can be observed in Figures 37 and 39, a middle segment of scarf 155 is disposed below the wearer's face but covering the neck. In the orientation which can be observed in Figures 38, 40 and 41, the distal end of scarf 155 is more loosely attached adjacent a side edge of front opening 175 such that the middle segment of scarf 155 loosely drapes below the wearer's neck.

[0088] Figures 42 – 46 illustrate the second embodiment headwear 151 with hood 153 lowered behind the wearer's head. Scarf 155 has its distal end attached to the opposite side section and the middle section covers the wearer's nose, mouth and neck. In the Figure 43 configuration, scarf 155 is attached and covers the wearer's mouth and neck but exposes the nose. The Figure 44 orientation positions the middle segment of scarf 155 entirely below the wearer's face but covering the neck. The middle segment of scarf 155 is loosely draped below the wearer's head and neck in Figure 45 while Figure 46 shows distal end 185 of scarf 155 detached and loosely hanging generally in the same direction as hood 153 along the wearer's front.

[0089] A third embodiment of the present headwear 251 can be observed in Figures 47– 69. This exemplary embodiment employs the two-tone and/or other differing material characteristics like the second embodiment, but in combination with the multiple fore-and-aft elongated and generally parallel sewn seams 269 for a top segment 261 like those of the first embodiment. An elongated hook-and-loop fastener 287 is attached to an inside surface of a scarf 255 and a mating elongated hook-and-loop fastener 291 is attached to an exterior surface of a hood 253 adjacent to where a lower segment, including the scarf fabric, is horizontally and circumferentially attached thereto. A front opening 275 is also provided on hood 253.

[0090] As can best be observed in Figure 51, hood 253 is preferably created from two overlying sheets of textile fabric, preferably polyester microfleece, however, the outer fabric sheet may have a different color or texture than the interior sheet. The portion of the scarf that defines a rear section of the lower segment is preferably a polyester polar fleece or anti-pilling fleece which is a single fabric sheet which is folded over at bottom edge 271. The scarf portion at side and the rear sections overlap the adjacent edges of hood 253 and are sewn thereto. Fastener 291 is also externally sewn at this seam. A border 295 is a single textile sheet which is folded over to define front opening 275. Parallel distal ends of border 295 overlap with and are sewn to lower edges of the fabric defining hood 253. It is noteworthy in Figure 54 that a width "B" of border 295 is at least one inch, which is preferably greater than a border width in the second embodiment.

[0091] It is alternately envisioned that internal insulation layers or alternately single rather than double sheets may be employed for the hood and/or scarf, although some of the advantages of the preferred construction may not be achieved. Moreover, it is envisioned that a fuzzy, leather or fur material may be used for border.

[0092] The different wearing configurations of this embodiment of headwear 251 are discussed hereinafter. Figures 50 and 52 illustrate distal end 285 of scarf 255 detached and forwardly hanging down. Figures 53 – 56 illustrate distal 285 of scarf 255 wrapped completely around the headwear such that the middle segment covers the user's nose, mouth and neck.

[0093] Figure 57 shows the middle segment of scarf 255 covering the user's mouth and neck but exposing the nose. Furthermore, Figures 58 – 60 illustrate distal

end 285 of scarf 255 attached to the rear section wherein the middle segment of scarf 255 is located below the wearer's face but covering the neck. Referring now to Figures 61 – 63, distal end 285 of scarf 255 is loosely attached to the mating fastener 291 such that the middle segment of scarf 255 loosely drapes below the user's face and neck. The lateral portions of scarf 255 are laterally straightened and spread out to more fully cover the user's shoulders in Figure 64 since a height of this scarf is preferably greater than in the first and second embodiments.

[0094] Next, hood 253 is rearwardly pulled back to expose the top of the wearer's head in Figures 65 – 69. Distal end 285 is attached in Figure 65 where the middle segment of scarf 255 covers the wearer's nose, mouth and neck. In the Figure 66 orientation, the middle segment of scarf 255 covers the wearer's mouth and neck but below the nose. Figure 67 shows the middle segment of scarf 255 below the entire user's head but covering the neck. Moreover, Figure 68 illustrates the middle segment of scarf 255 loosely draped below the wearer's head and neck. Finally, the Figure 69 configuration has the distal end 285 of scarf 255 detached such that scarf 255 wraps around the back of the user's neck with the headwear creating a generally inverted U-shape.

[0095] While various aspects of the present headwear have been disclosed, it should be appreciated that other variations may be employed. For example, one or more of the materials may be leather, cotton, other synthetic fibers, and/or have coatings thereon, although some of the preferred features may not be achieved. It should also be appreciated that any of the described features and embodiments can be mixed and matched with any of the others and all of the dependent claims may be

multiply dependent on any of the others. The description is merely exemplary in nature, and, thus variations that do not depart from the gist of the invention are intended to fall within the spirit and scope of the present invention.

CLAIMS

The invention claimed is:

1. Headwear comprising:
 - a hood including a front opening, a top segment and a lower segment, the hood also including side sections and a rear section;
 - a fastener affixed on at least one of the side and rear sections;
 - a single scarf permanently attached to and extending from only one of the side sections in an elongated manner; and
 - the scarf being removeably and adjustably secured to the fastener, such that a portion of the scarf spans across or below the front opening of the hood.

2. The headwear of Claim 1, further comprising a border externally located on the hood defining side and upper edges of the front opening, the border having a different material characteristic than the top segment of the hood, the material characteristic of the border being the same as that for an exterior of the scarf.

3. The headwear of Claim 2, wherein the border includes a single fabric sheet folded over at the front opening edges and having distal edges sewn to at least one fabric sheet of the top segment.

4. The headwear of Claim 2, wherein the material characteristic is an aesthetic pattern.

5. The headwear of Claim 2, wherein the material characteristic is a color.
6. The headwear of Claim 2, wherein the material characteristic is a texture and breathability.
7. The headwear of Claim 1, wherein:
 - the scarf flexibly extends from the hood adjacent a first side edge of the front opening;
 - an opposite second side edge of the front opening is substantially straight adjacent a bottom corner of the front opening as viewed when the hood is not worn; and
 - the second side edge of the front opening is free of a flap.
8. The headwear of Claim 1, wherein the scarf and hood are reconfigurable to all the following positions when a distal end of the scarf is fastened to the hood:
 - (a) the scarf covers a wearer's nose and mouth;
 - (b) a middle of the scarf covers the wearer's mouth but is below the nose;
 - (c) the middle of the scarf covers a wearer's neck but is below the mouth and the nose;
 - (d) all of the hood is below a top of a wearer's ears while the scarf is in any one of the positions (a) – (c); and
 - (e) the hood covers a top of a wearer's head and the ears while the scarf is in any one of the positions (a) – (c).

9. The headwear of Claim 1, wherein:
a distal end of the scarf is substantially straight,
the scarf has a height dimension of at least six inches; and
the scarf has a length dimension of at least fifteen inches.
10. The headwear of Claim 1, wherein the fastener includes a horizontally elongated hook-and-loop fastening strip permanently attached to the rear and at least one of the side sections of the hood, allowing infinite adjustment between a distal end of the scarf and the hood.
11. The headwear of Claim 1, wherein the scarf is capable of wrapping around the hood by at least 270° and a distal end of the scarf is attachable and detachable to the hood in a single-hand manner.
12. The headwear of Claim 1, wherein the scarf is integrally of the same fabric sheet as the side and rear sections of the hood as a single piece.
13. The headwear of Claim 1, further comprising multiple fore-and-aft elongated seams on the top segment of the hood, and the top and lower segments including a single and integral outer fabric sheet at the rear section.
14. The headwear of Claim 1, further comprising multiple seams intersecting at a peak of the hood.

15. Headwear comprising:

a hood including a front opening having a substantially inverted U-shape;

a fastener located on the hood;

an elongated scarf permanently attached to and extending from only one side edge of the front opening;

the scarf being integral as a single piece with at least a lower segment of the hood;

an opposite second side edge of the front opening being substantially straight adjacent a bottom corner of the front opening when viewed in an unworn condition, the second side edge of the front opening being free of a flap;

a distal end of the scarf being substantially straight when viewed in the unworn condition; and

the scarf having a height dimension greater than an outermost width dimension of the hood.

16. The headwear of Claim 15, further comprising a border externally located on the hood defining at least one of: (a) the side edges and (b) an upper edge, of the front opening, the border having a different material characteristic than an upper section of the hood, the material characteristic of the border being the same as that for an exterior of the scarf.

17. The headwear of Claim 16, wherein the border includes a single fabric sheet folded over at the front opening edges, and the border having a cross-sectional and externally visible dimensional of at least one inch along its entirety.

18. The headwear of Claim 16, wherein the material characteristic is an aesthetic pattern.

19. The headwear of Claim 16, wherein the material characteristic is a color.

20. The headwear of Claim 16, wherein the material characteristic is breathability.

21. The headwear of Claim 15, wherein the scarf and hood are reconfigurable to the following positions when the scarf is fastened to the hood:

(a) the scarf covers a wearer's nose and mouth;

(b) a middle of the scarf covers the wearer's mouth but is below the nose;

(c) the middle of the scarf covers a wearer's neck but is below the mouth and the nose;

(d) all of the hood is below a top of a wearer's ears while the scarf is in any one of the positions (a) – (c); and

(e) the hood covers a top of a wearer's head and the ears while the scarf is in any one of the positions (a) – (c).

22. The headwear of Claim 21, wherein the fastener includes a horizontally elongated hook-and-loop fastening strip permanently attached to rear and at least one side sections of the hood, allowing infinite adjustment between the distal end of the scarf and the hood.

23. The headwear of Claim 15, wherein the scarf is capable of wrapping around the hood by at least 270° and the distal end of the scarf is attachable and detachable to the hood in a single-hand manner.

24. Headwear comprising:

- a hood including a front opening, a top segment and a lower segment;
- a fastener located on at least one of the segments;
- a single scarf permanently attached to and extending from only one side of the lower segment in an elongated manner;
- a border externally located on the hood adjacent side and upper edges of the front opening, the border having a different material characteristic than the top segment of the hood, the material characteristic of the border being the same as that for an exterior of the scarf; and
- the scarf being wrappable around a wearer's head by at least 270°.

25. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein:

a distal end of the scarf is substantially straight,

the scarf has a height dimension of at least six inches; and

the scarf has a length dimension of at least fifteen inches.

26. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the scarf and hood are reconfigurable to all the following positions when a distal end of the scarf is fastened to the hood:

(a) the scarf covers a wearer's nose and mouth;

(b) a middle of the scarf covers the wearer's mouth but is below the nose;

(c) the middle of the scarf covers a wearer's neck but is below the mouth and the nose; and

(d) the hood covers a top of a wearer's head and ears while the scarf is in any one of the positions (a) – (c).

27. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the scarf has a uniform height along at least a majority length thereof, the uniform height being at least half of a total height of the combined scarf and hood when viewed in an unworn condition.

28. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the material characteristic is an aesthetic pattern.

29. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the material characteristic is a color.

30. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the material characteristic is a texture.
31. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the material characteristic is breathability.
32. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the material characteristic is water resistance.
33. The headwear of Claim 24, wherein the fastener includes at least one hook-and-loop fastener permanently attached to a rear of the hood and an opposite side of the hood from the side from which the scarf extends, allowing infinite length adjustment between the scarf and the hood.
34. The headwear of Claim 24, further comprising multiple fore-and-aft elongated seams on the top segment of the hood.
35. The headwear of Claim 24, further comprising multiple seams intersecting at a peak of the hood.

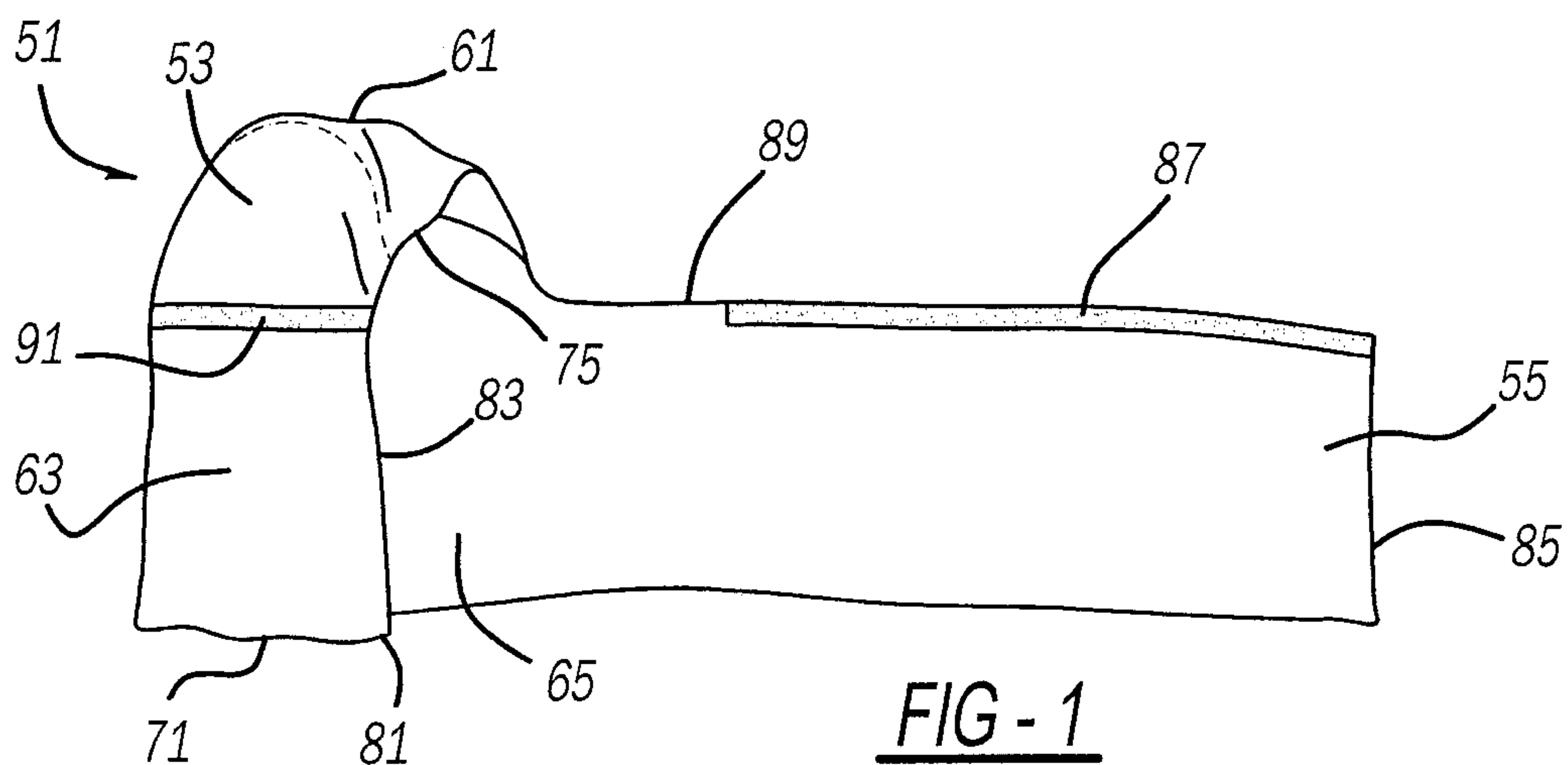


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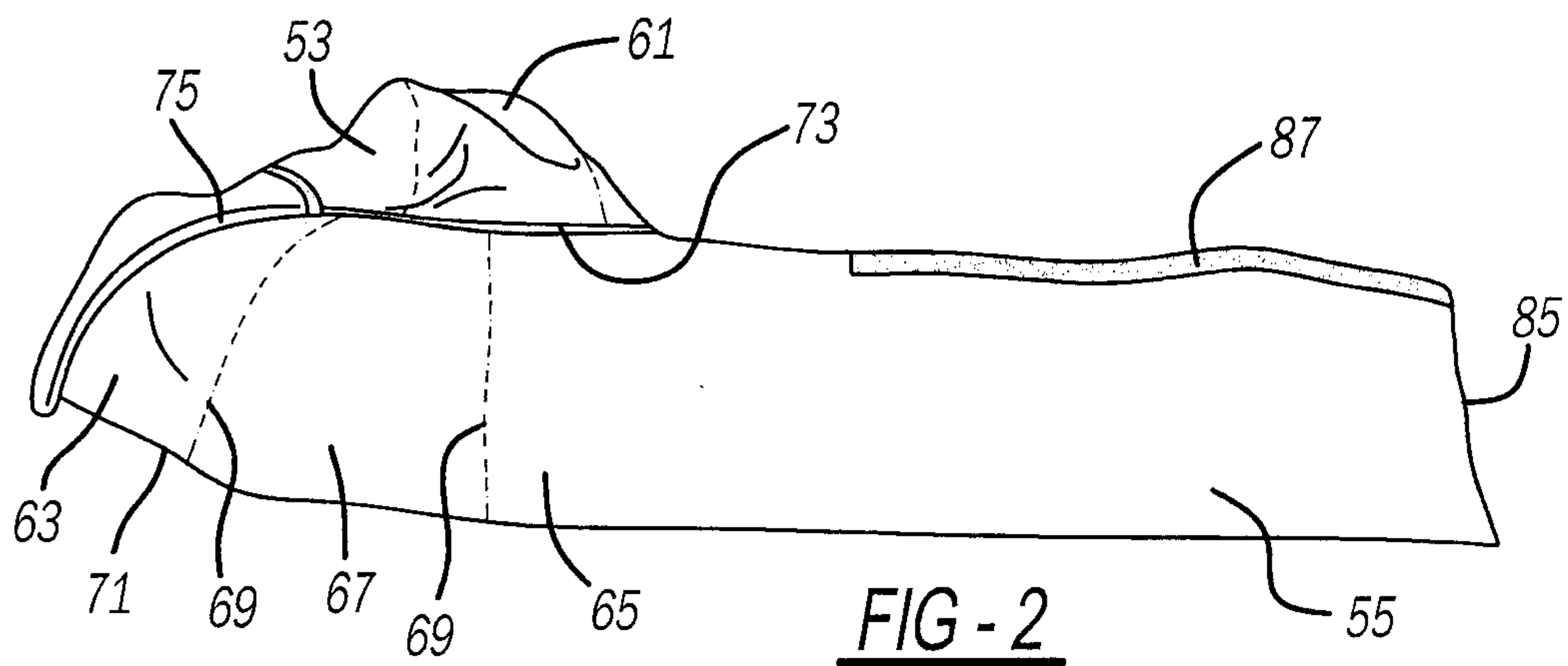


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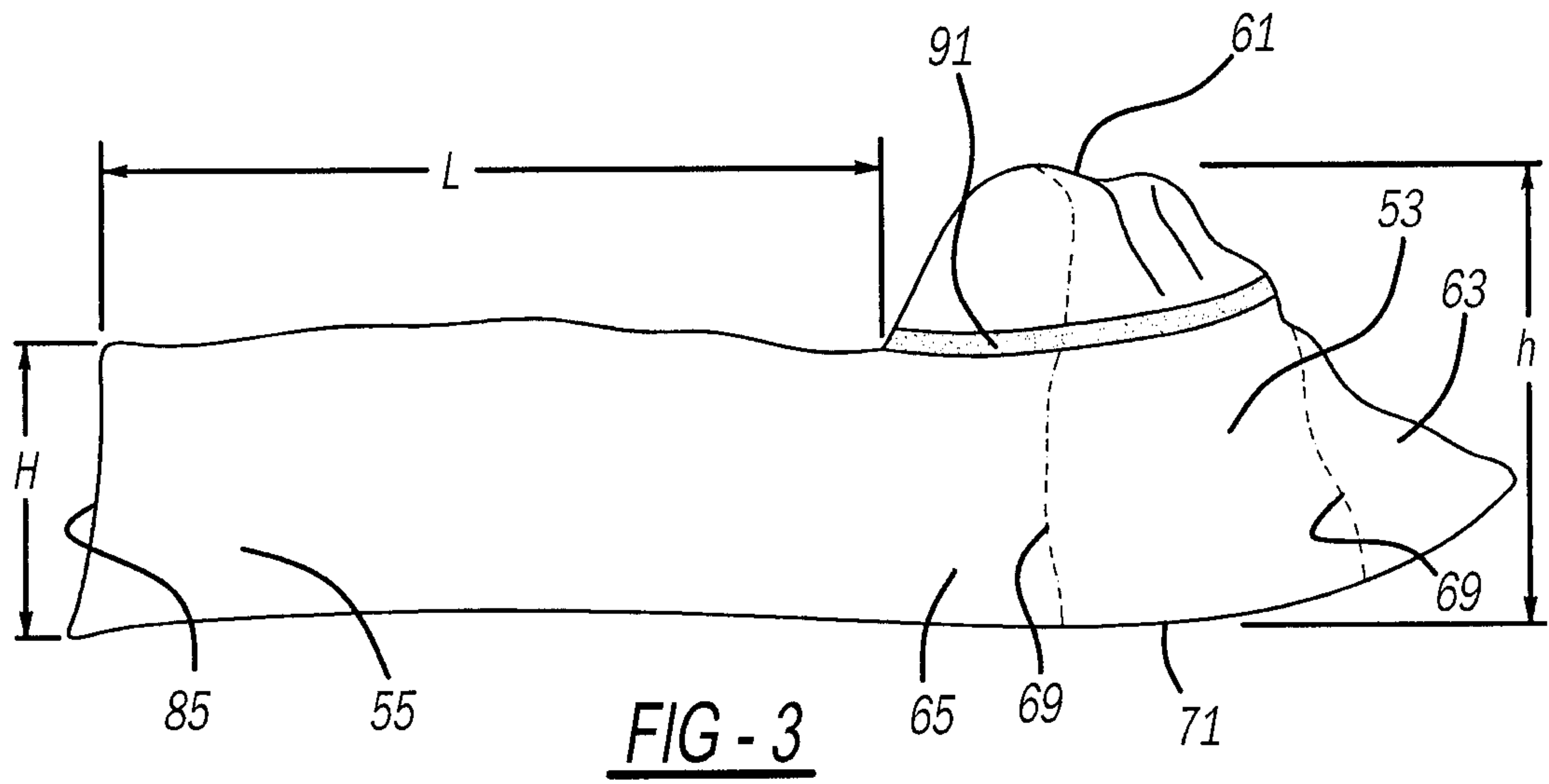


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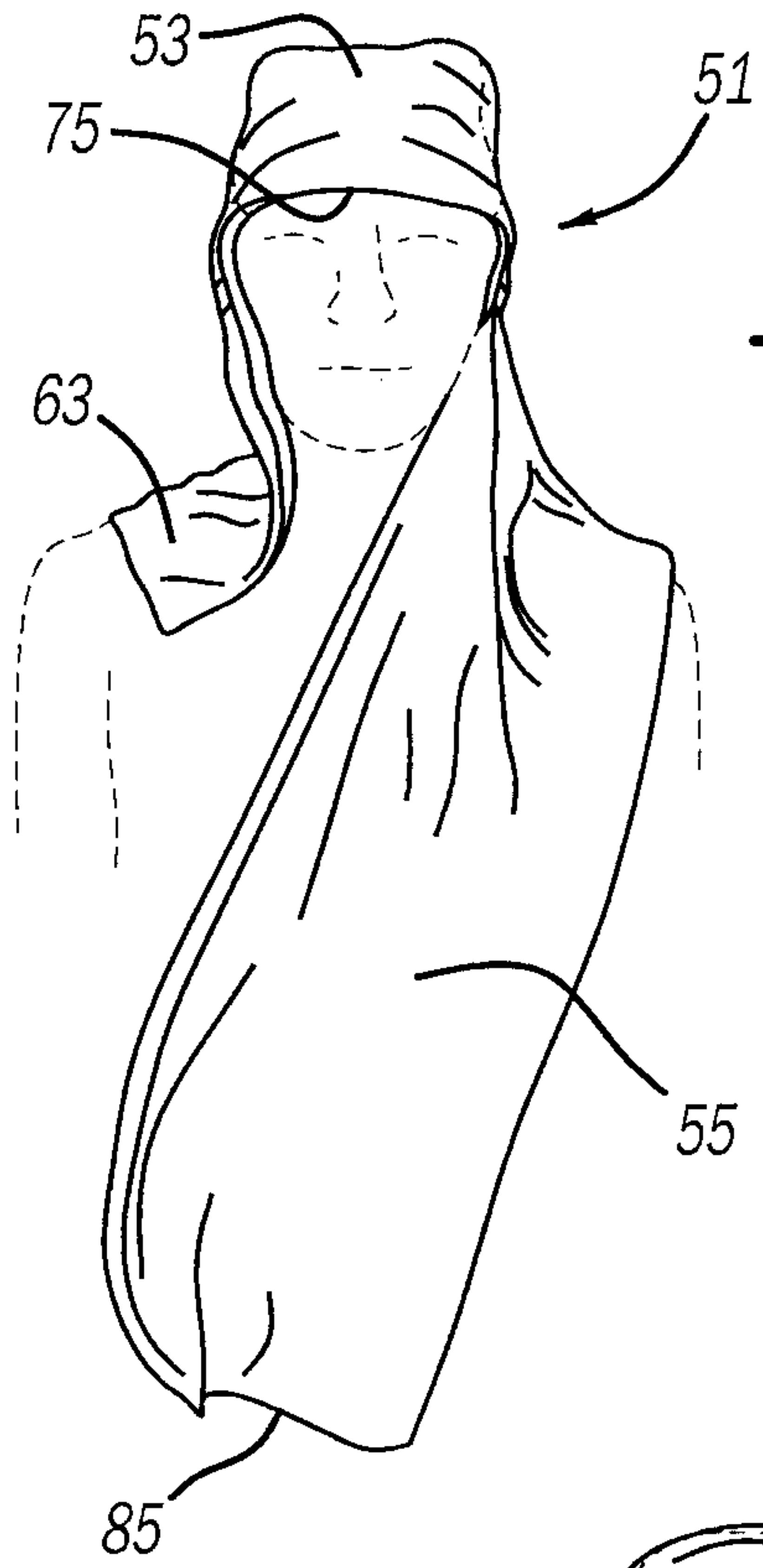


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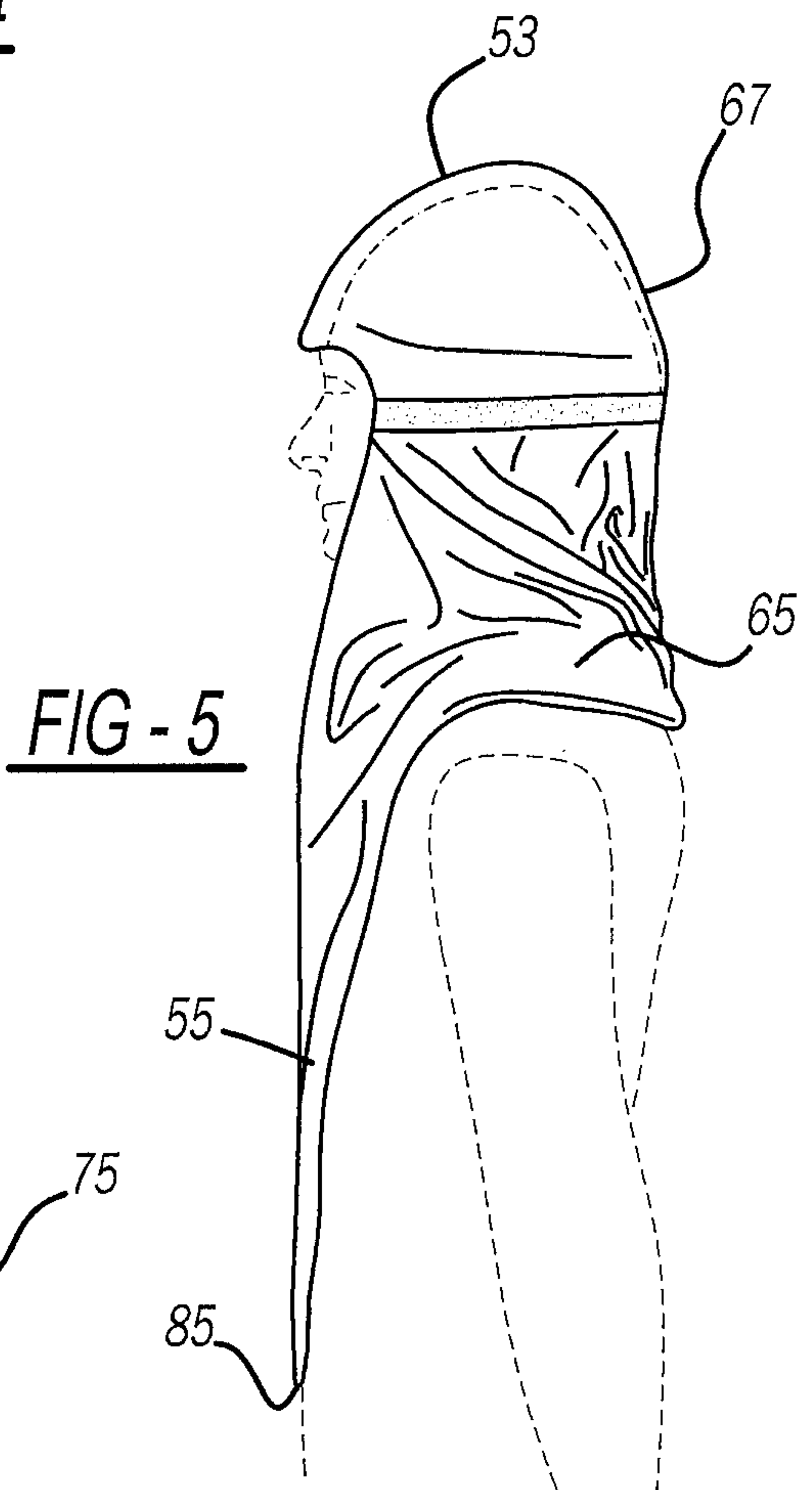


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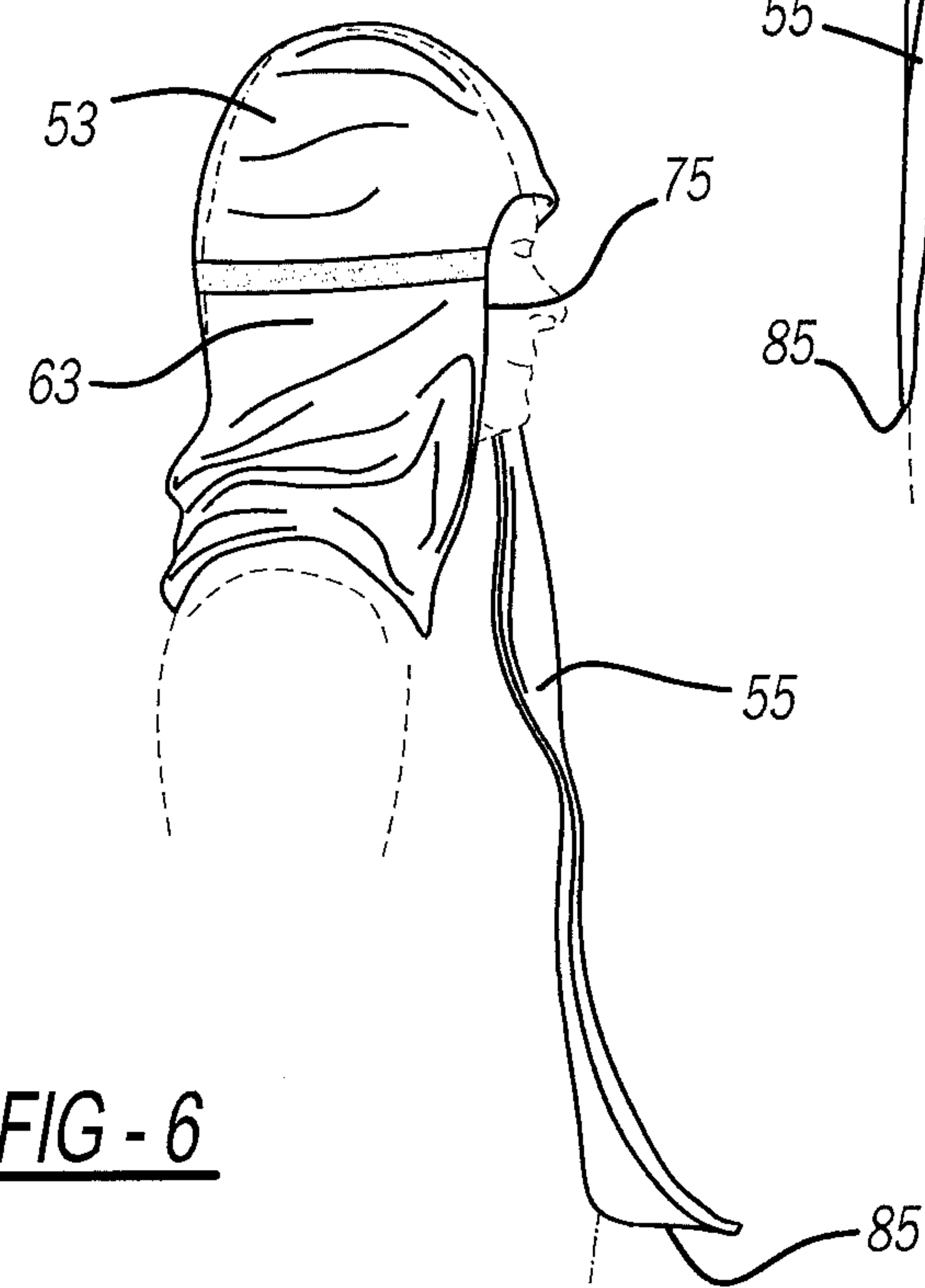


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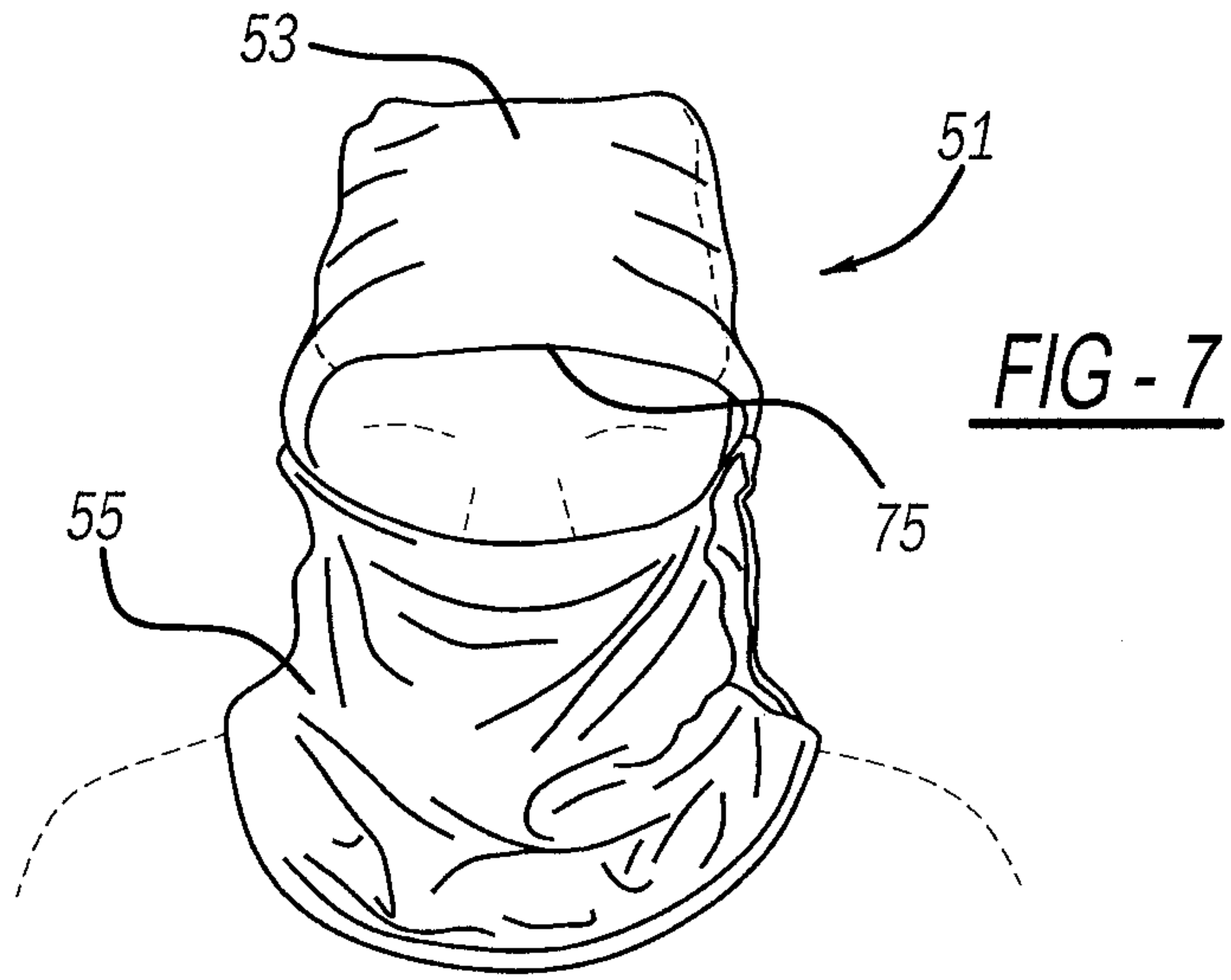


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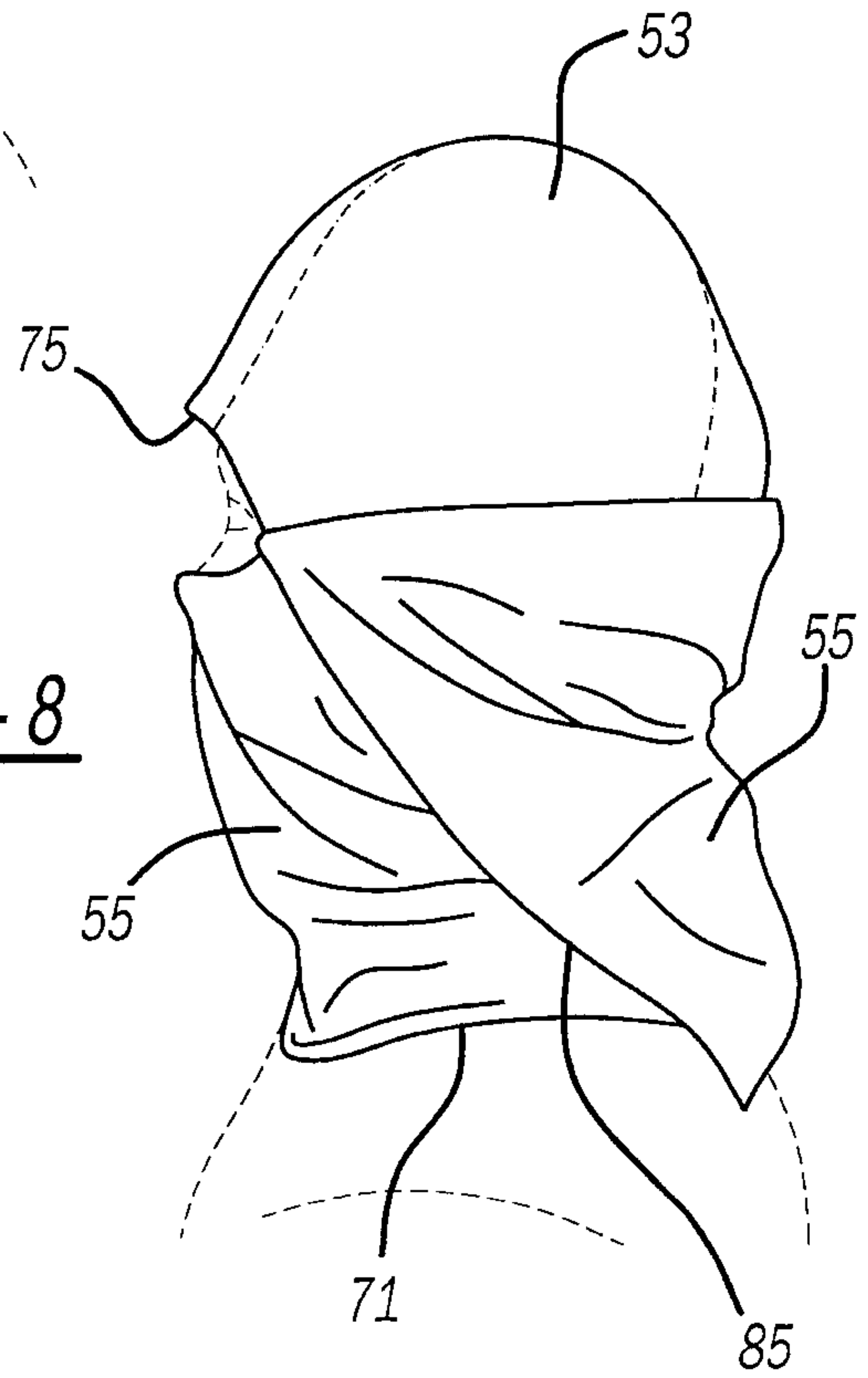


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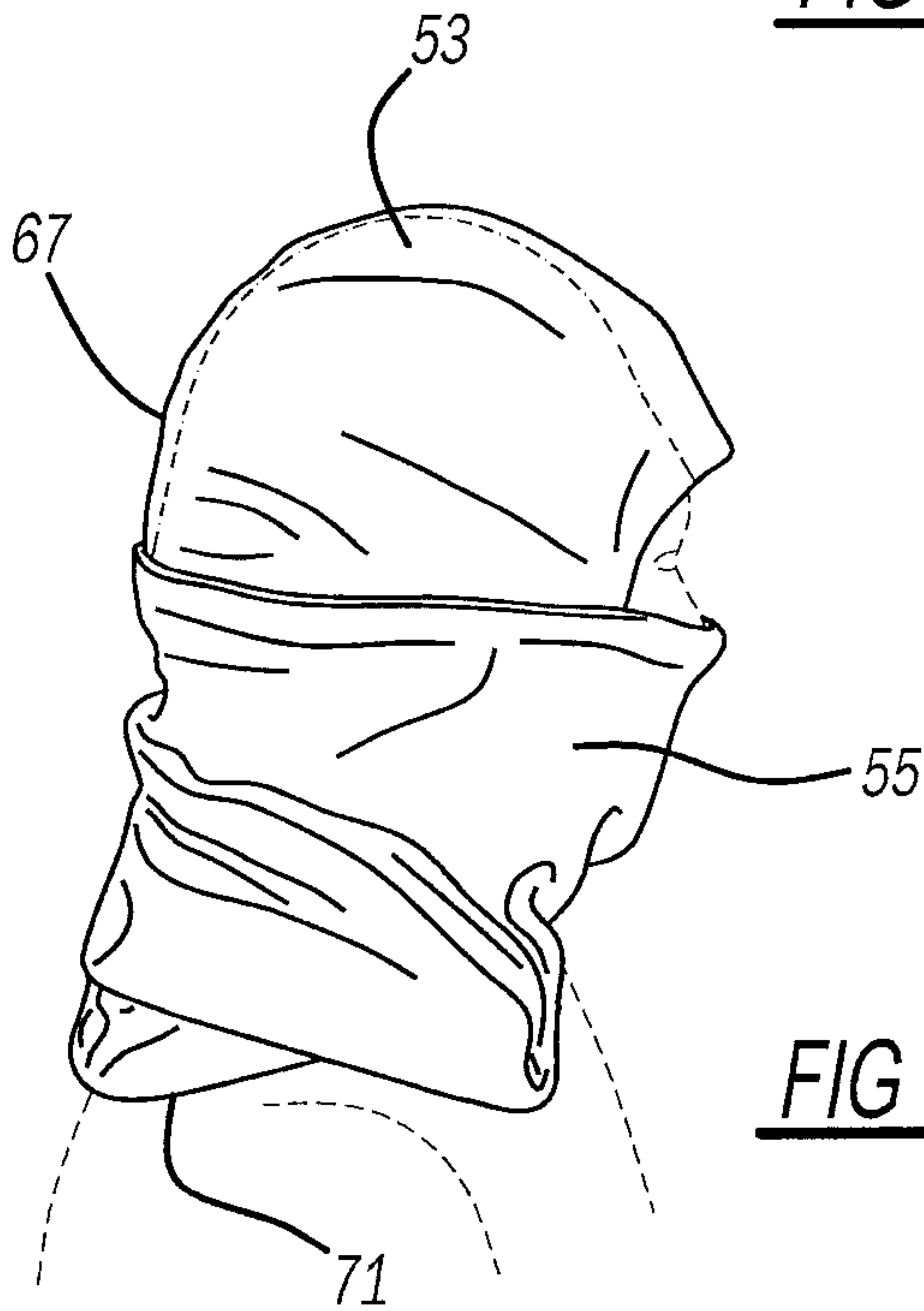


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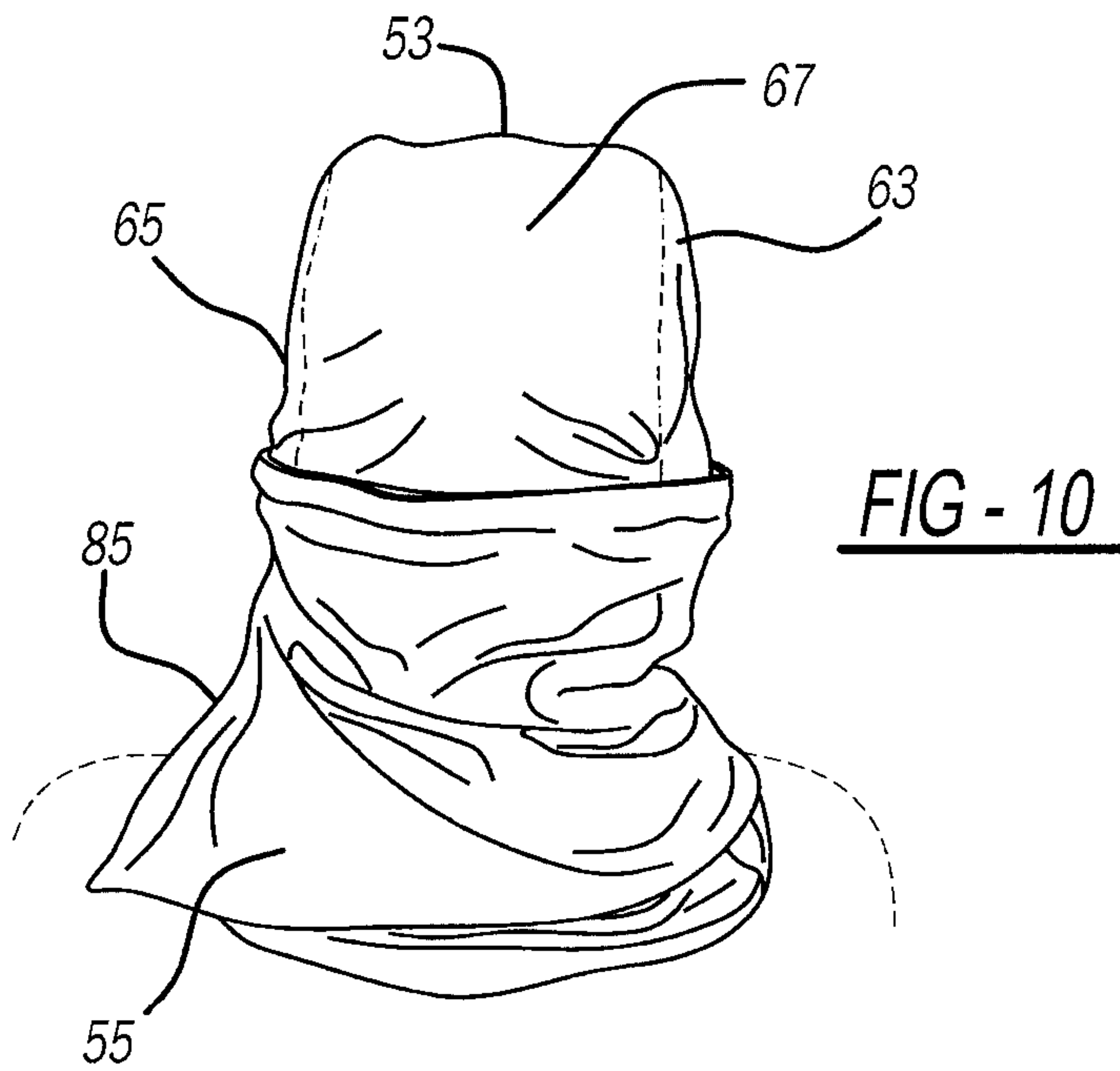


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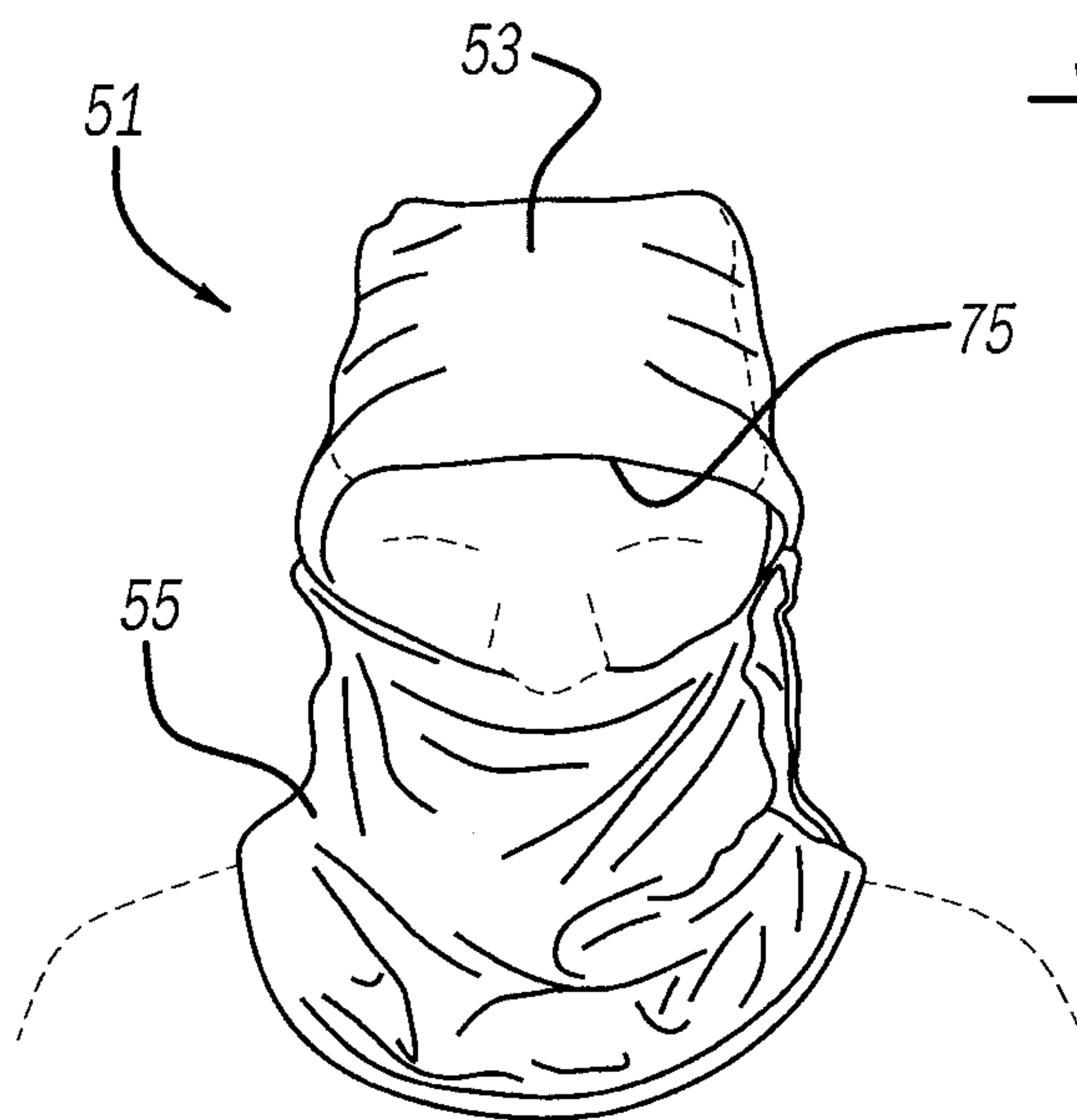
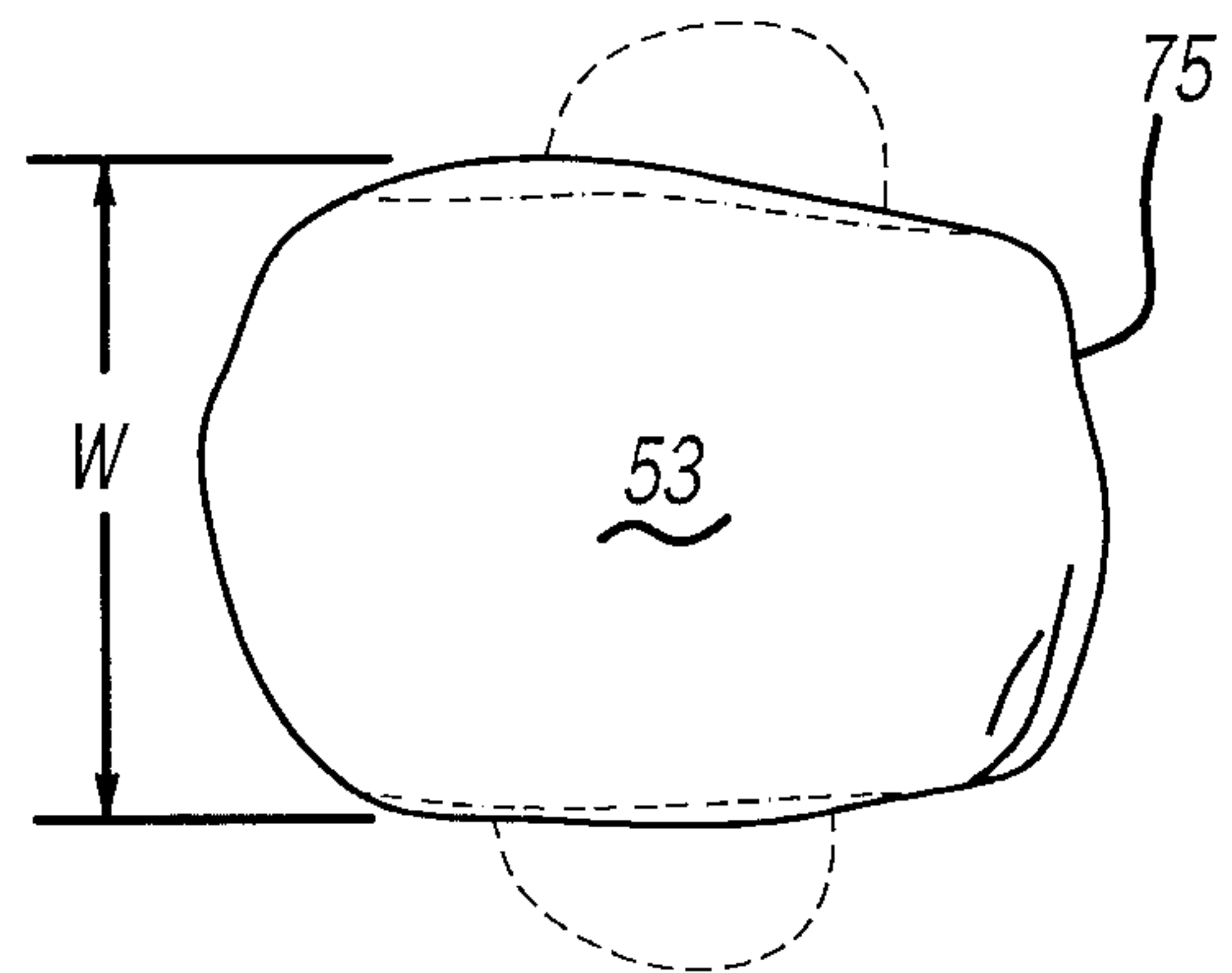


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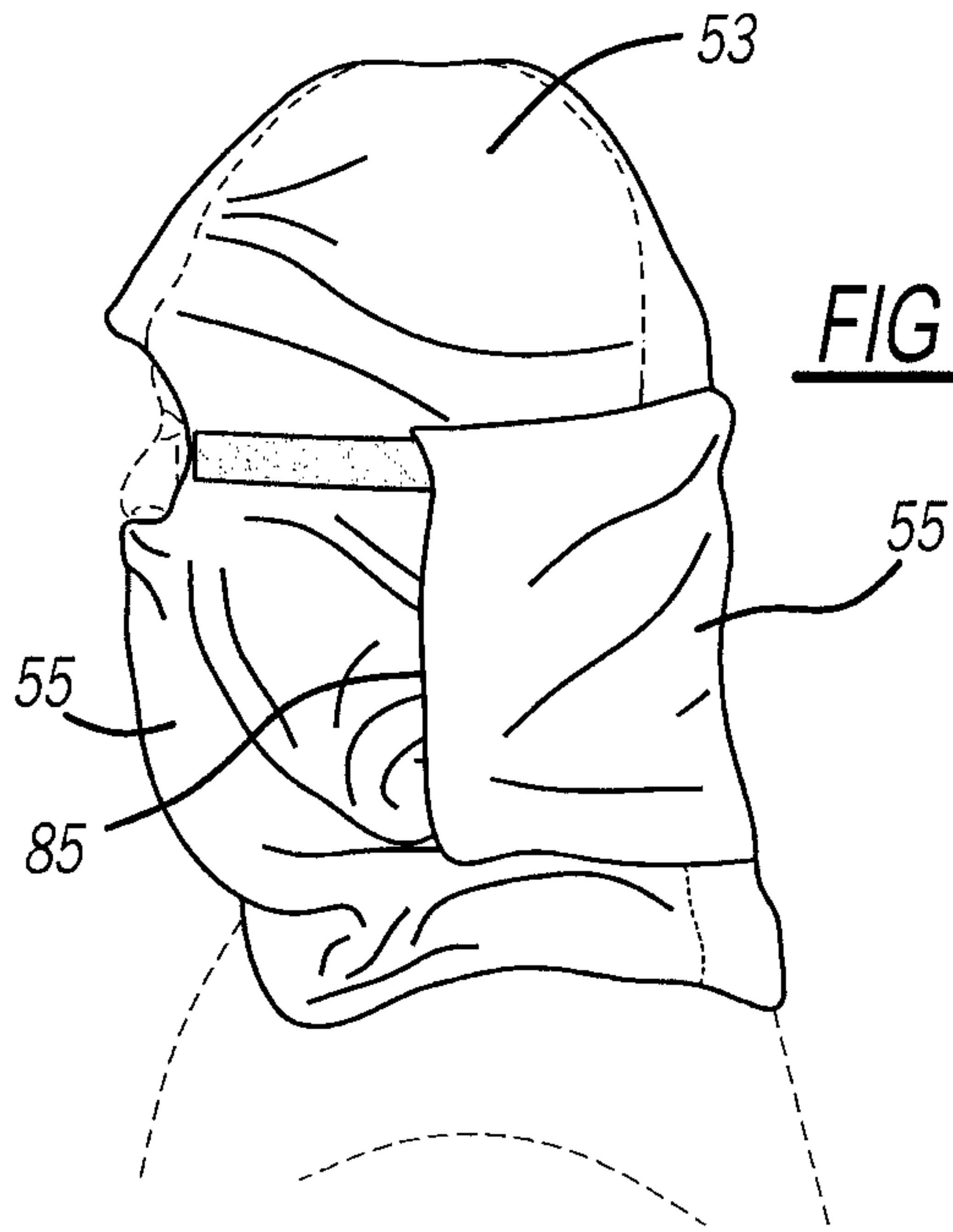


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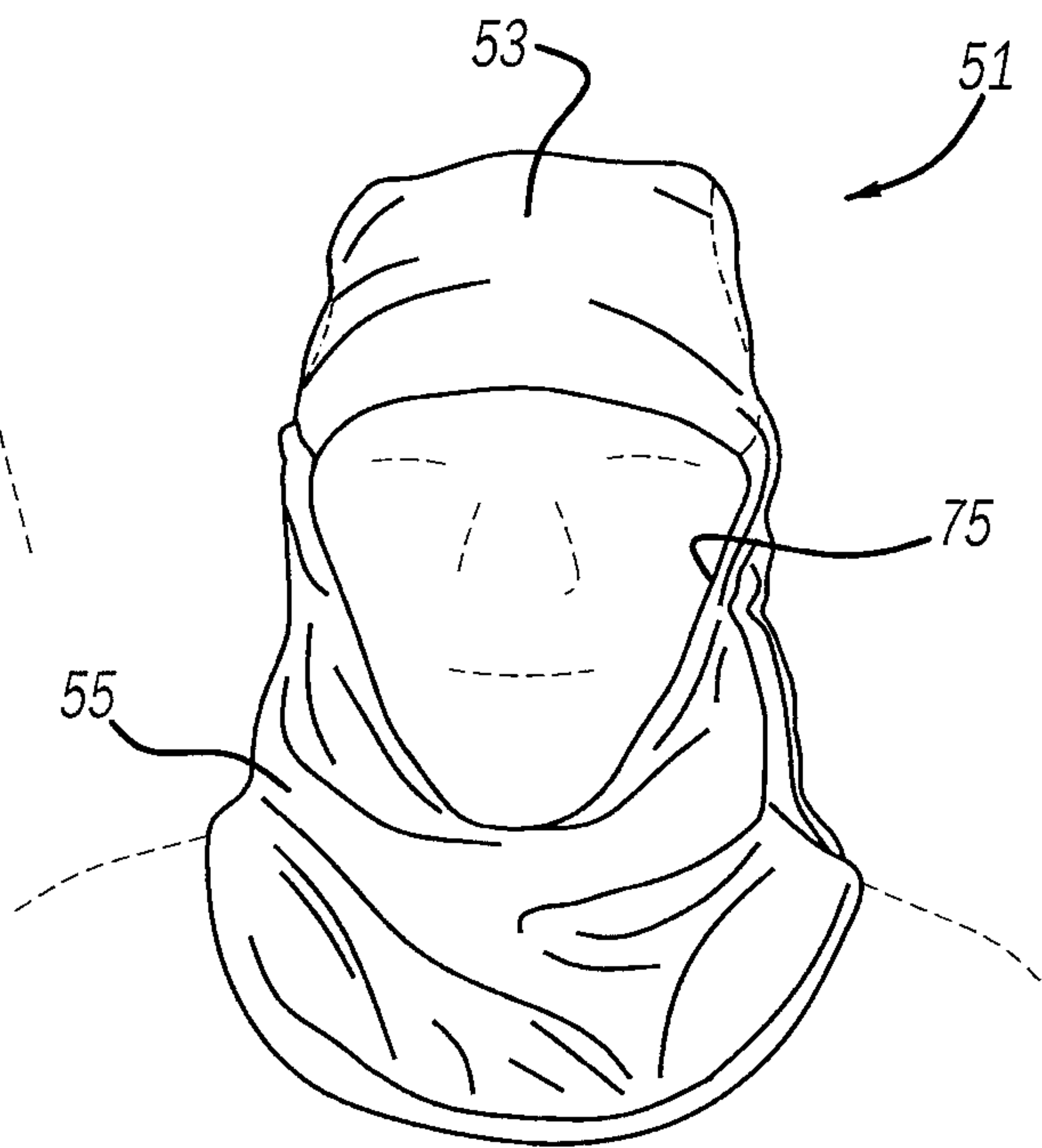


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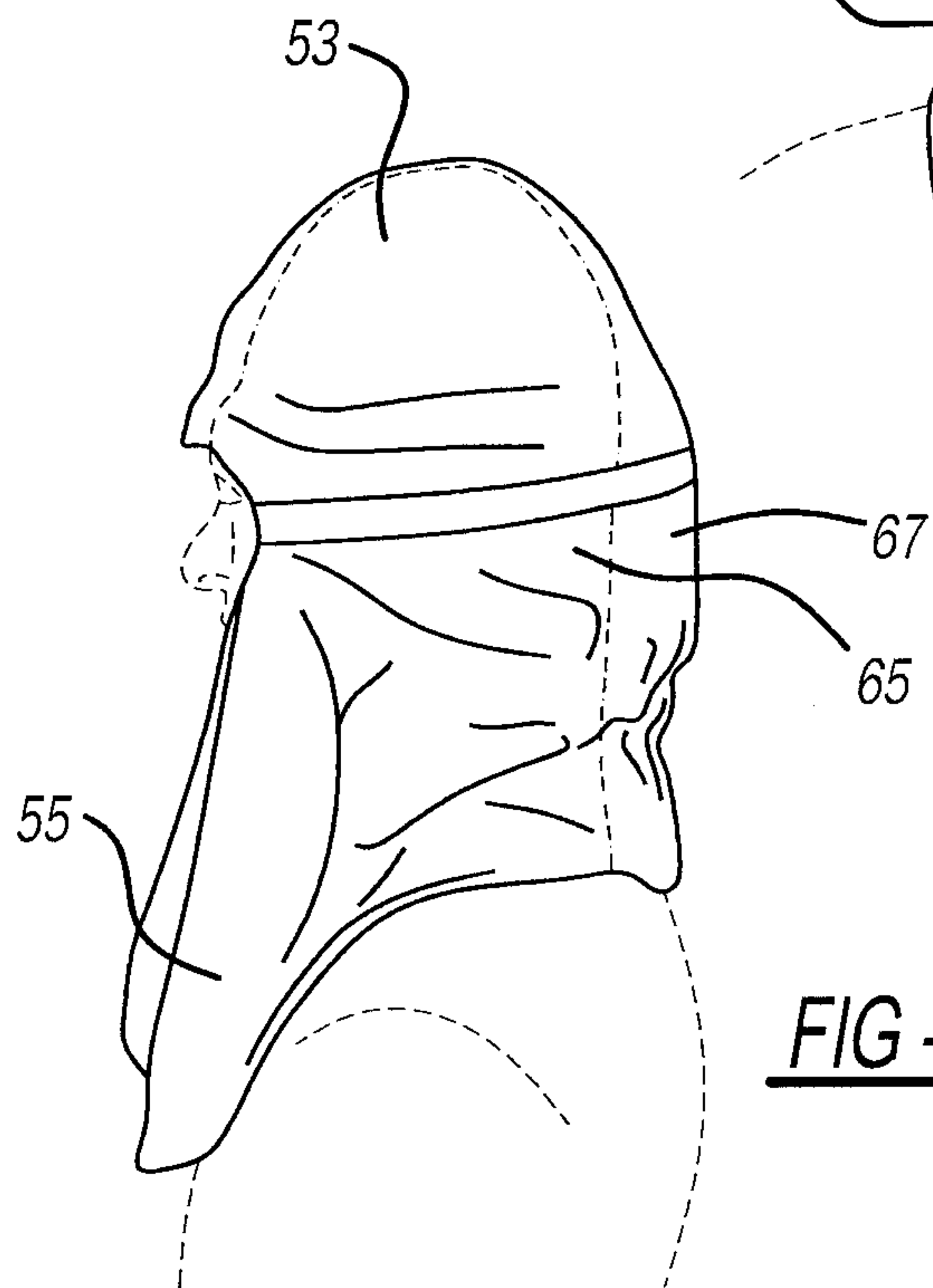


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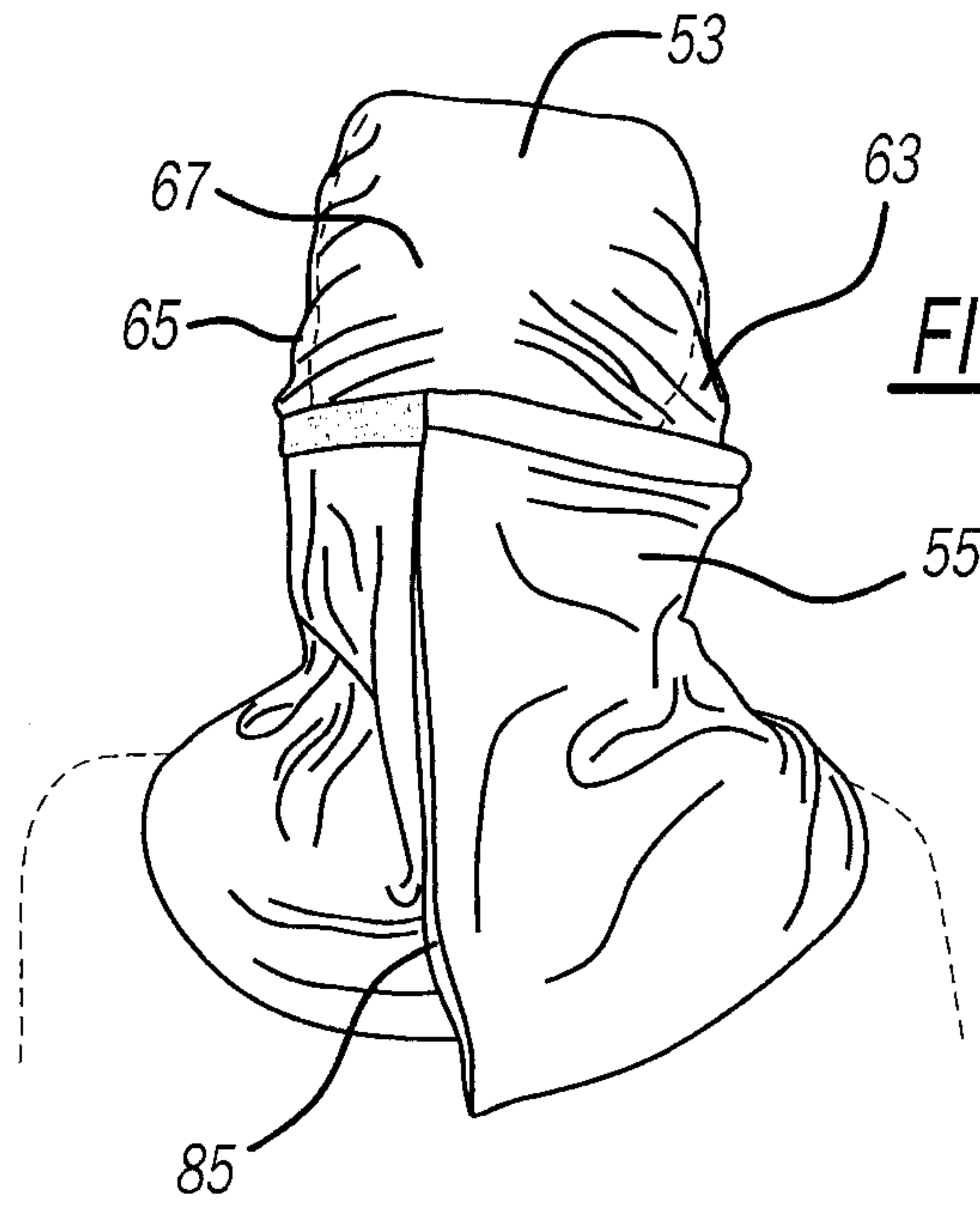


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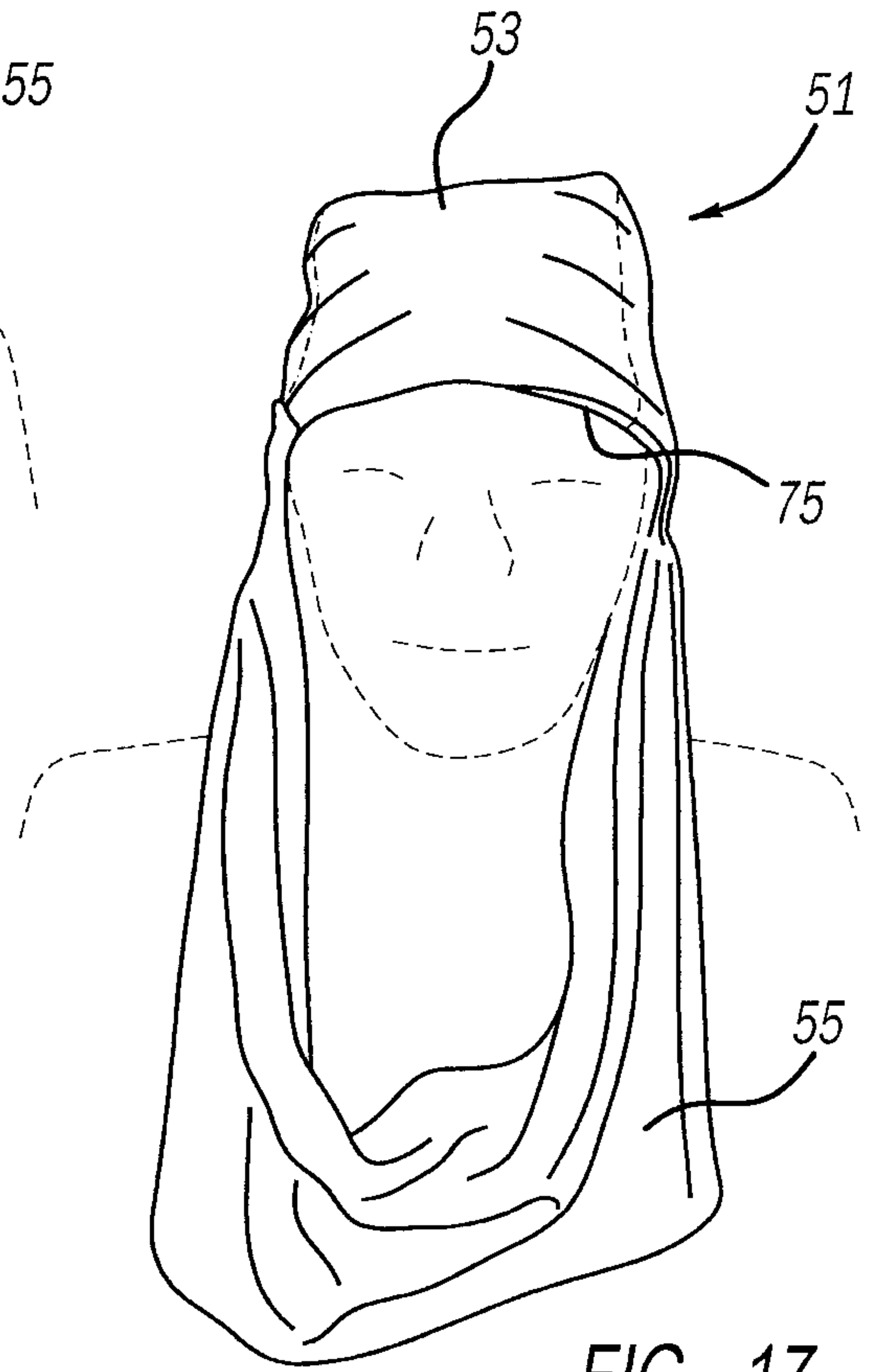


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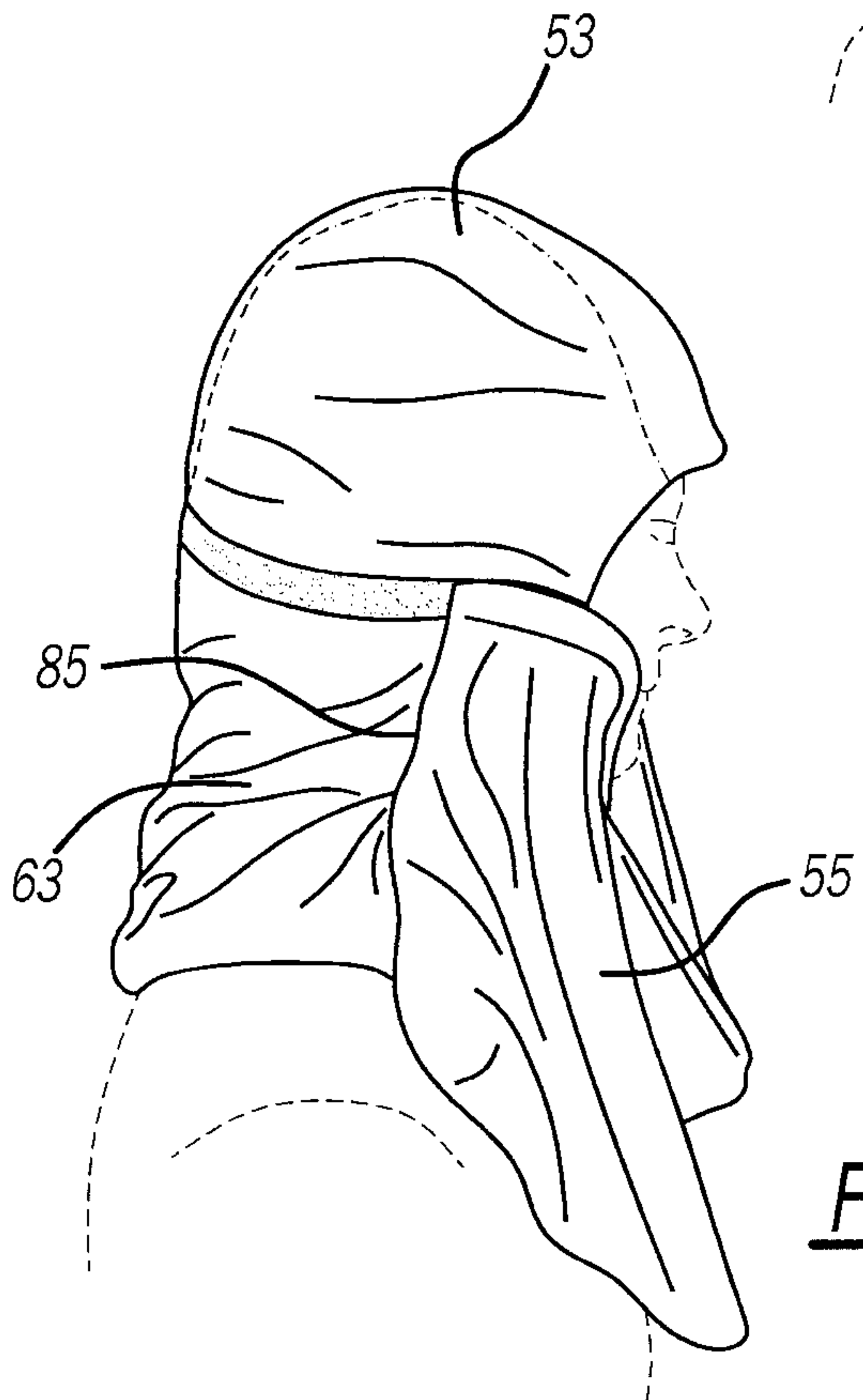


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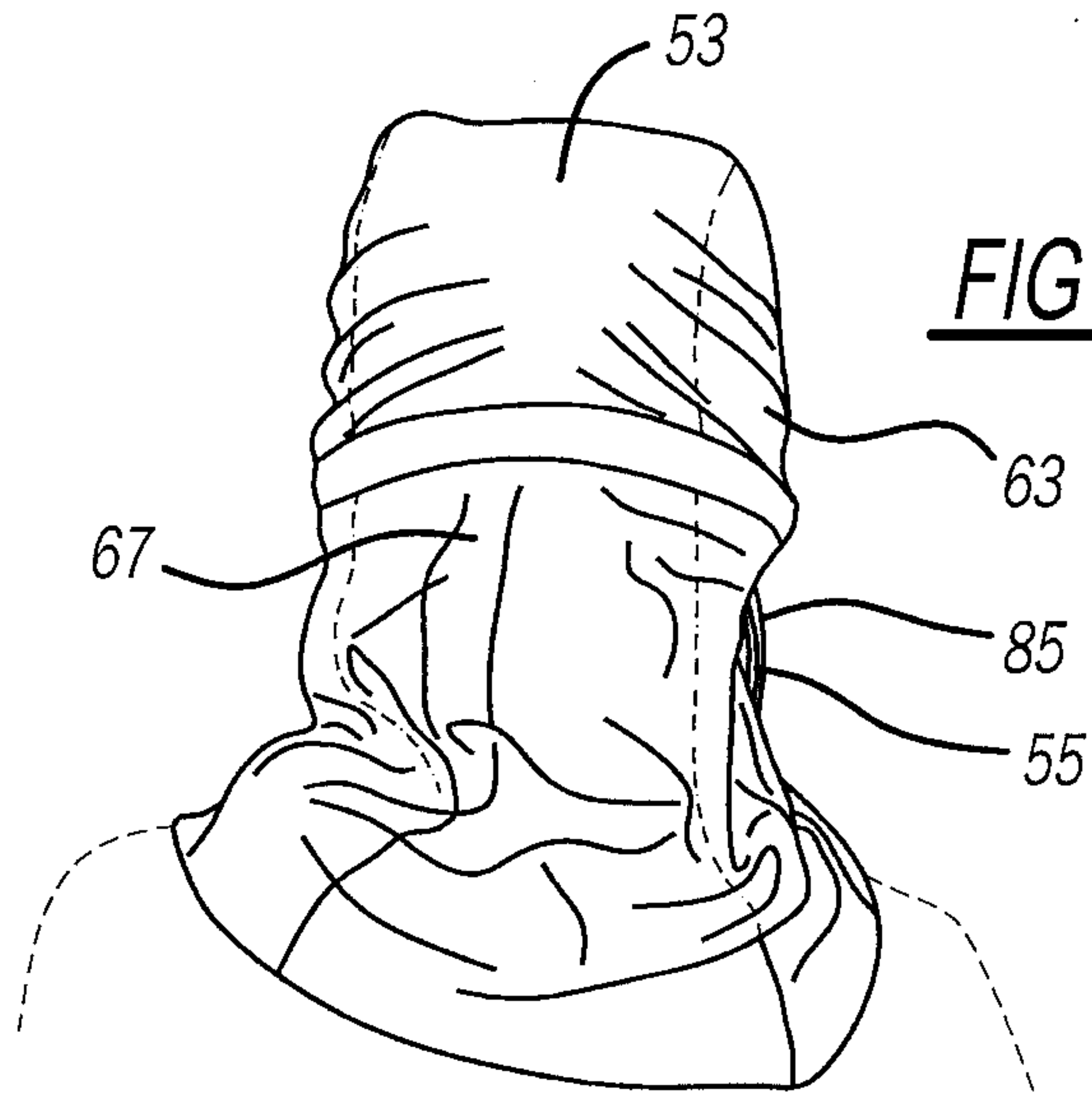


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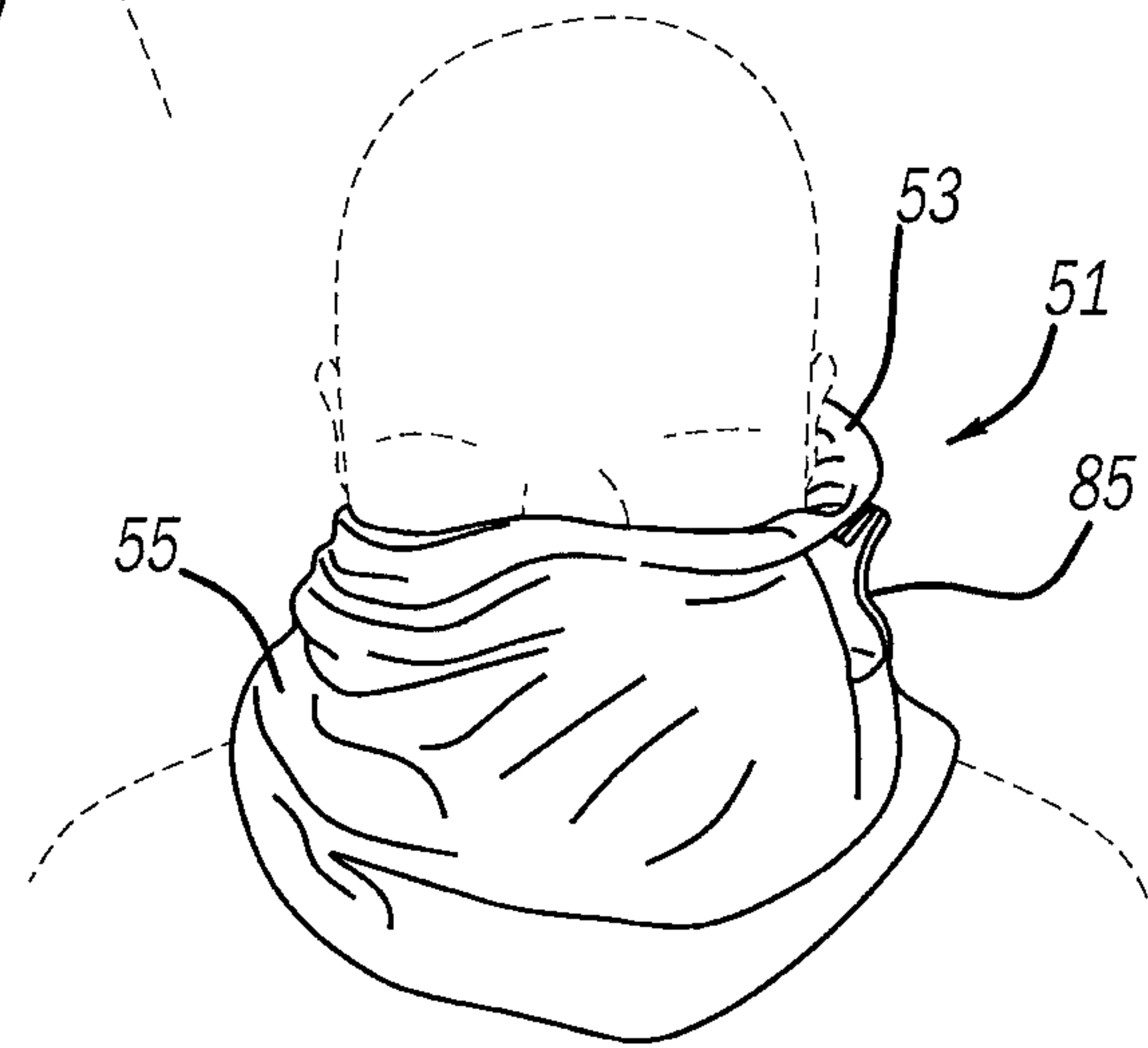


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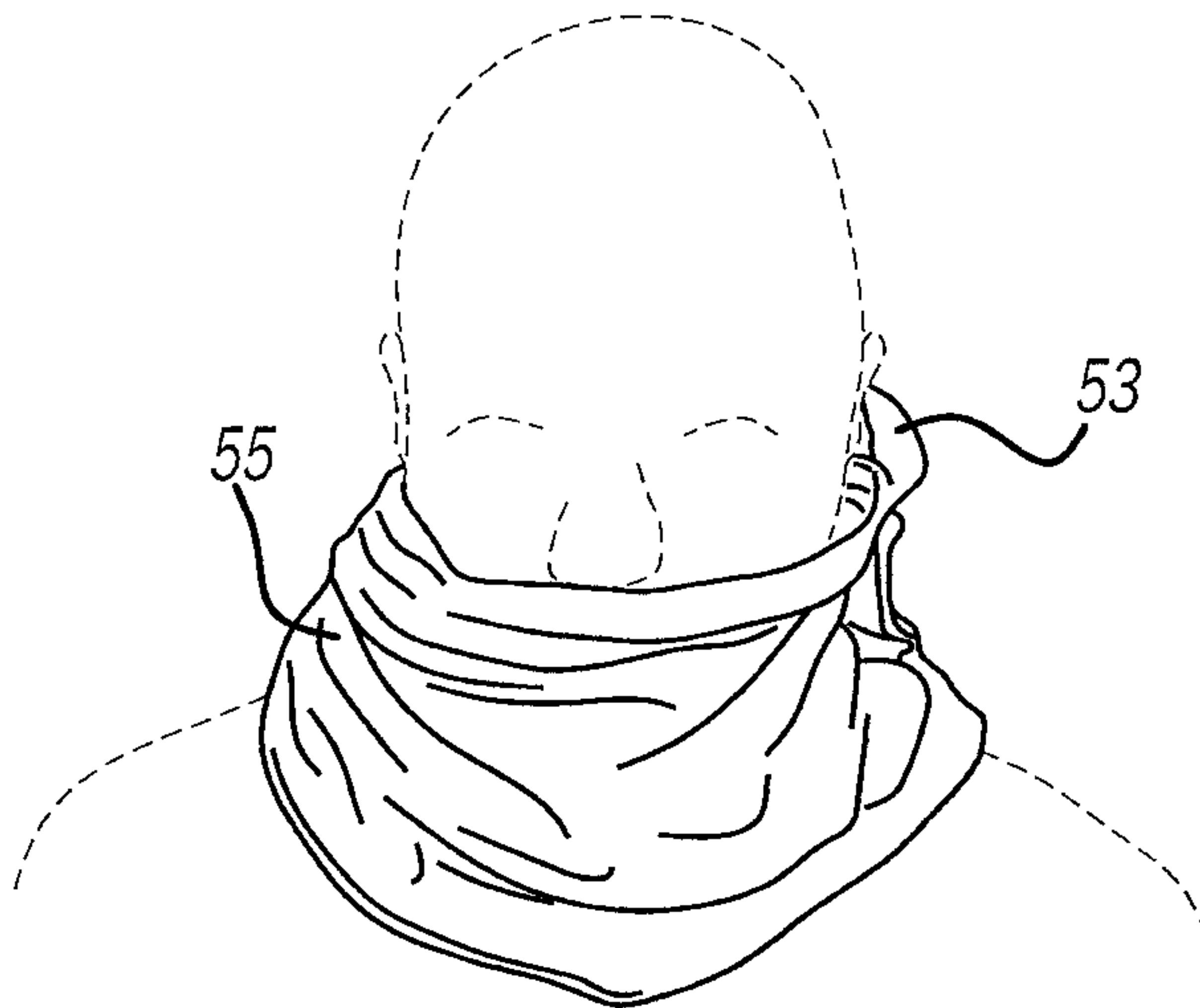


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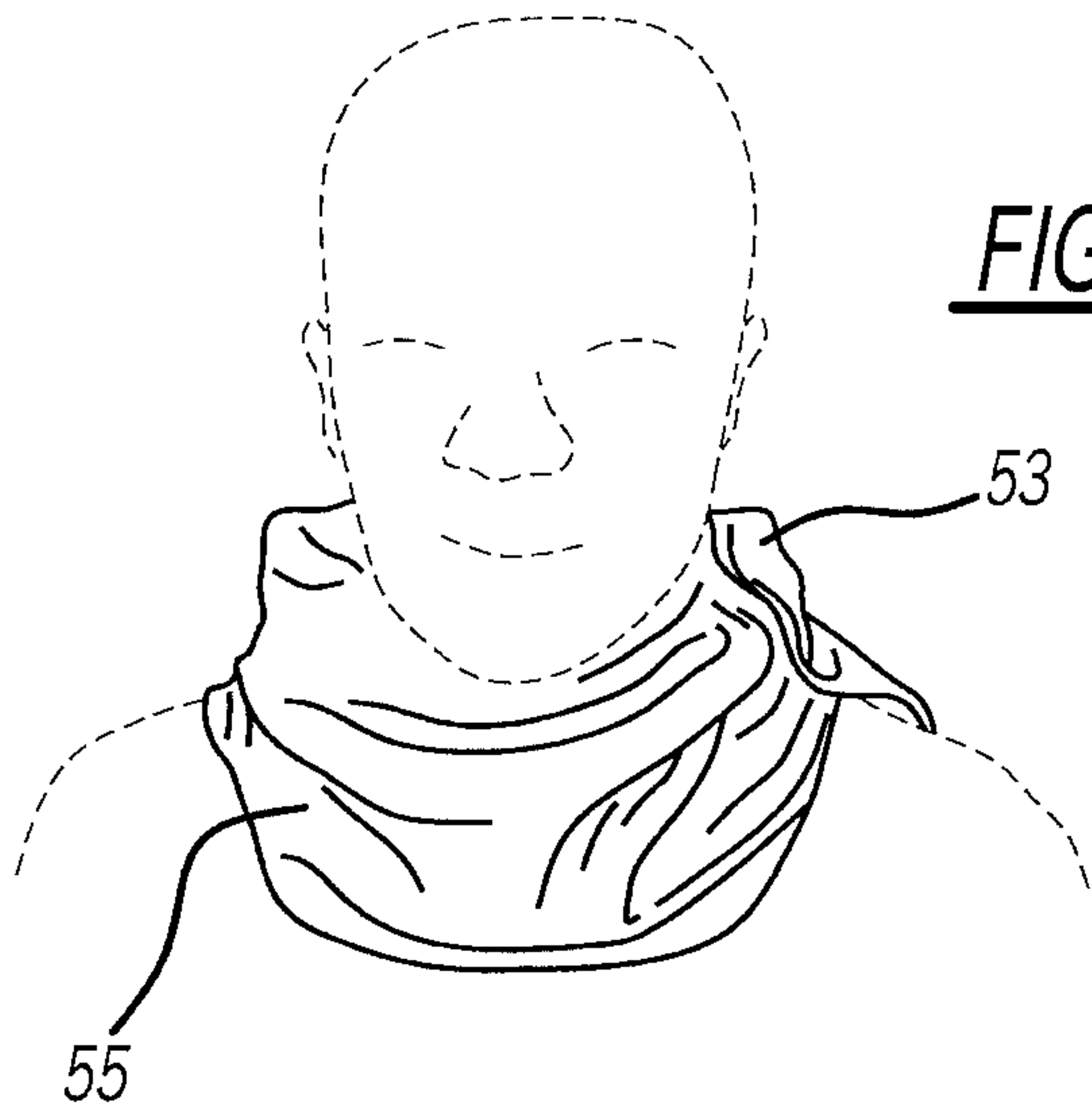


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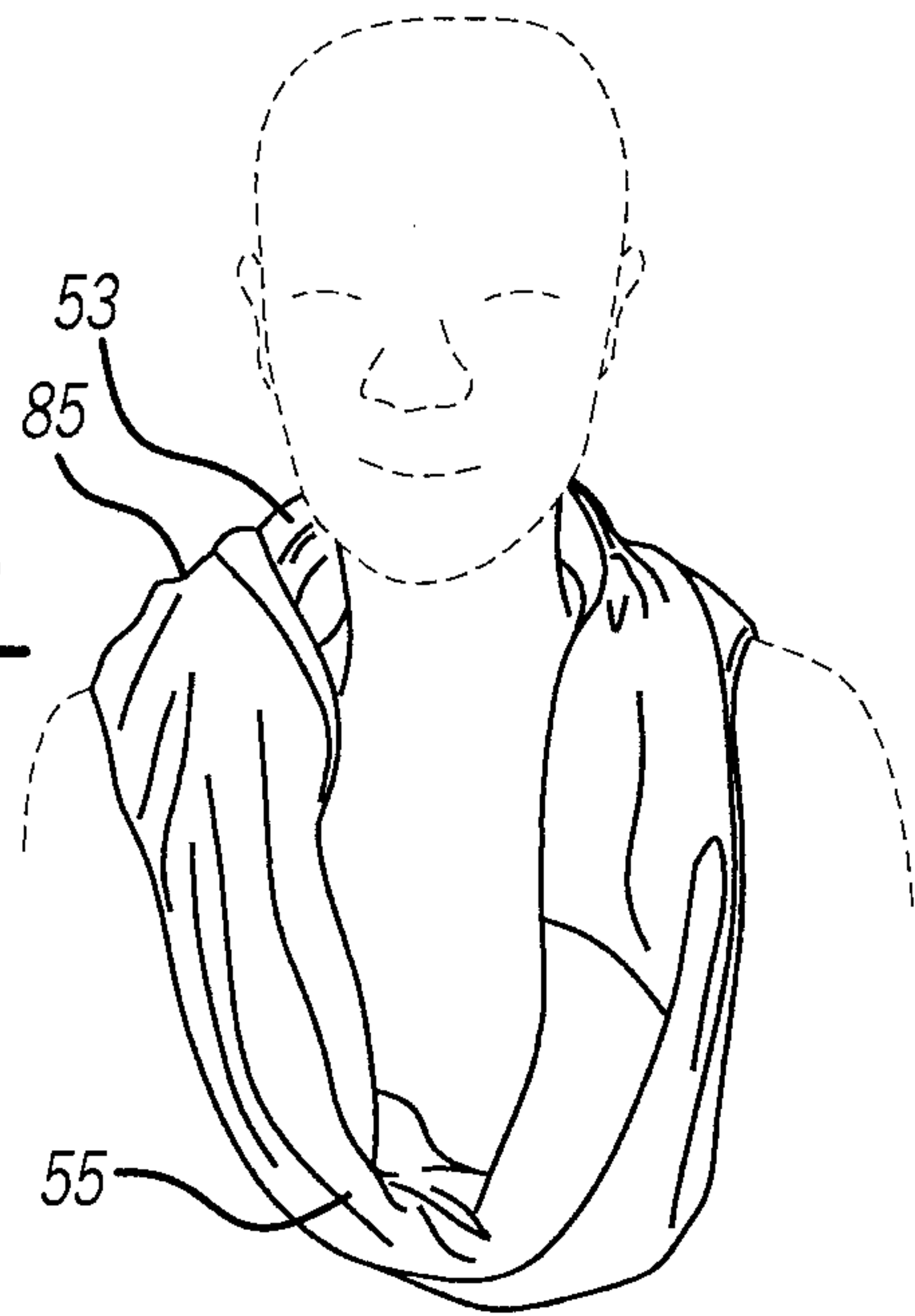
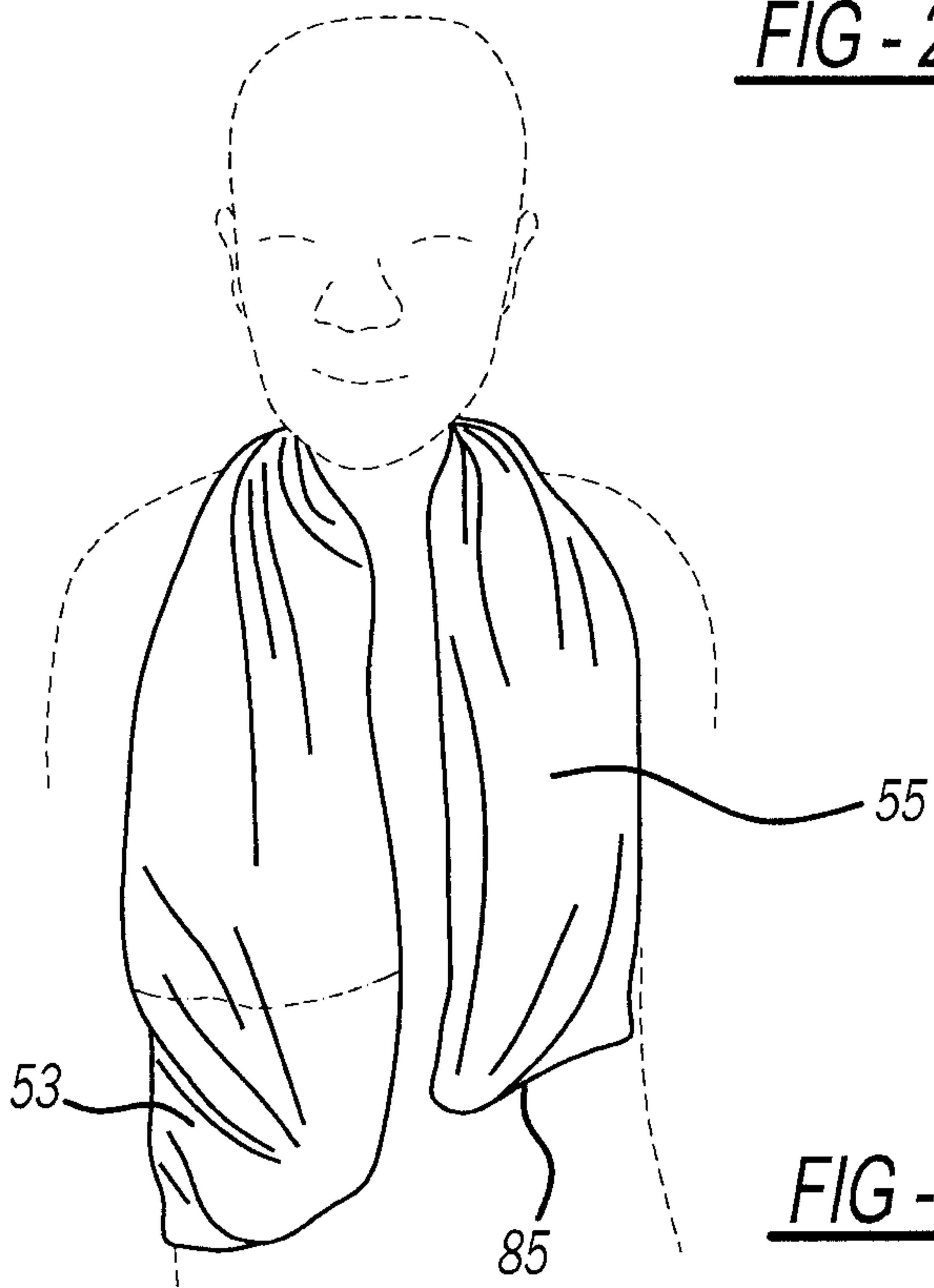
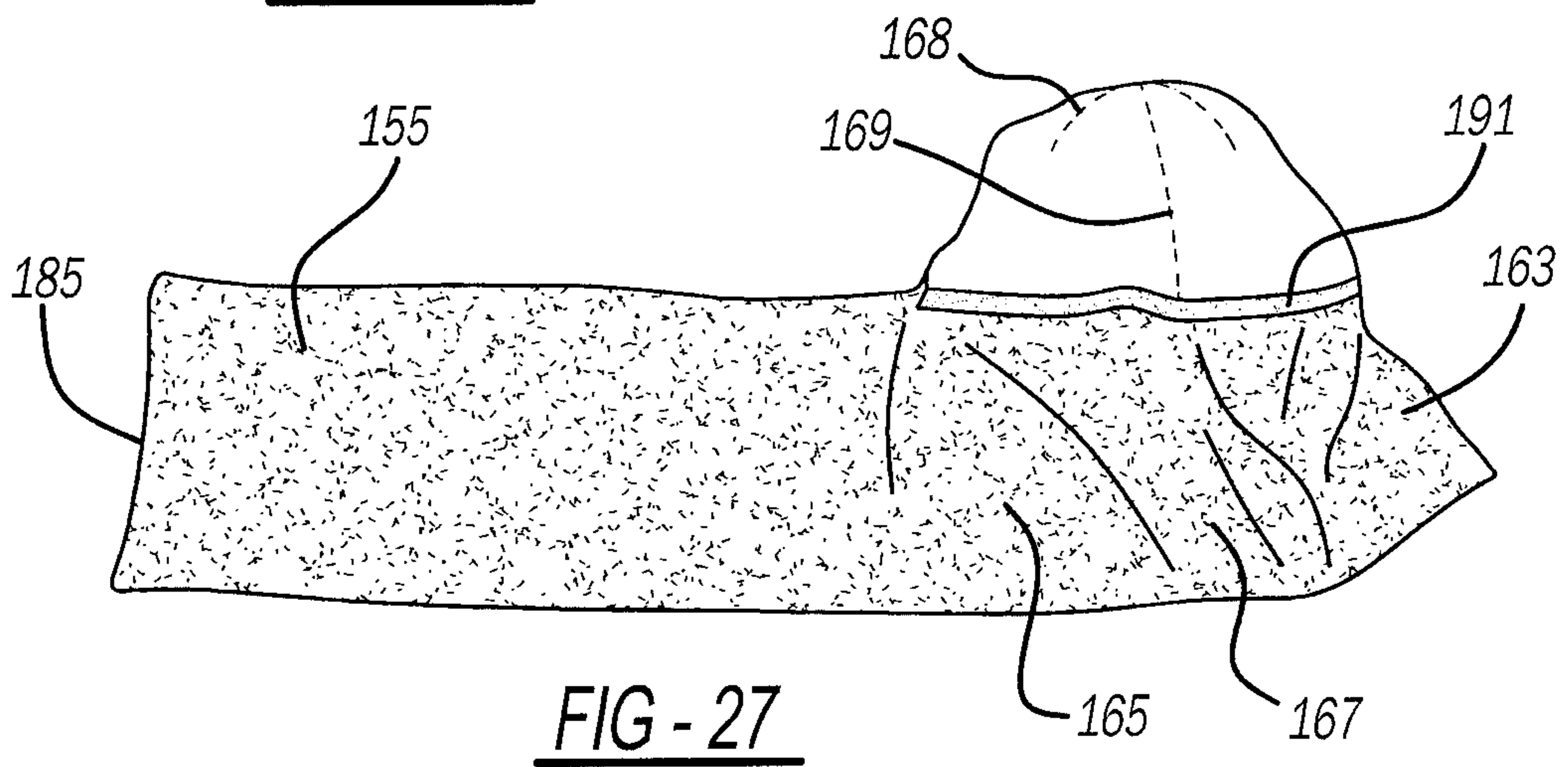
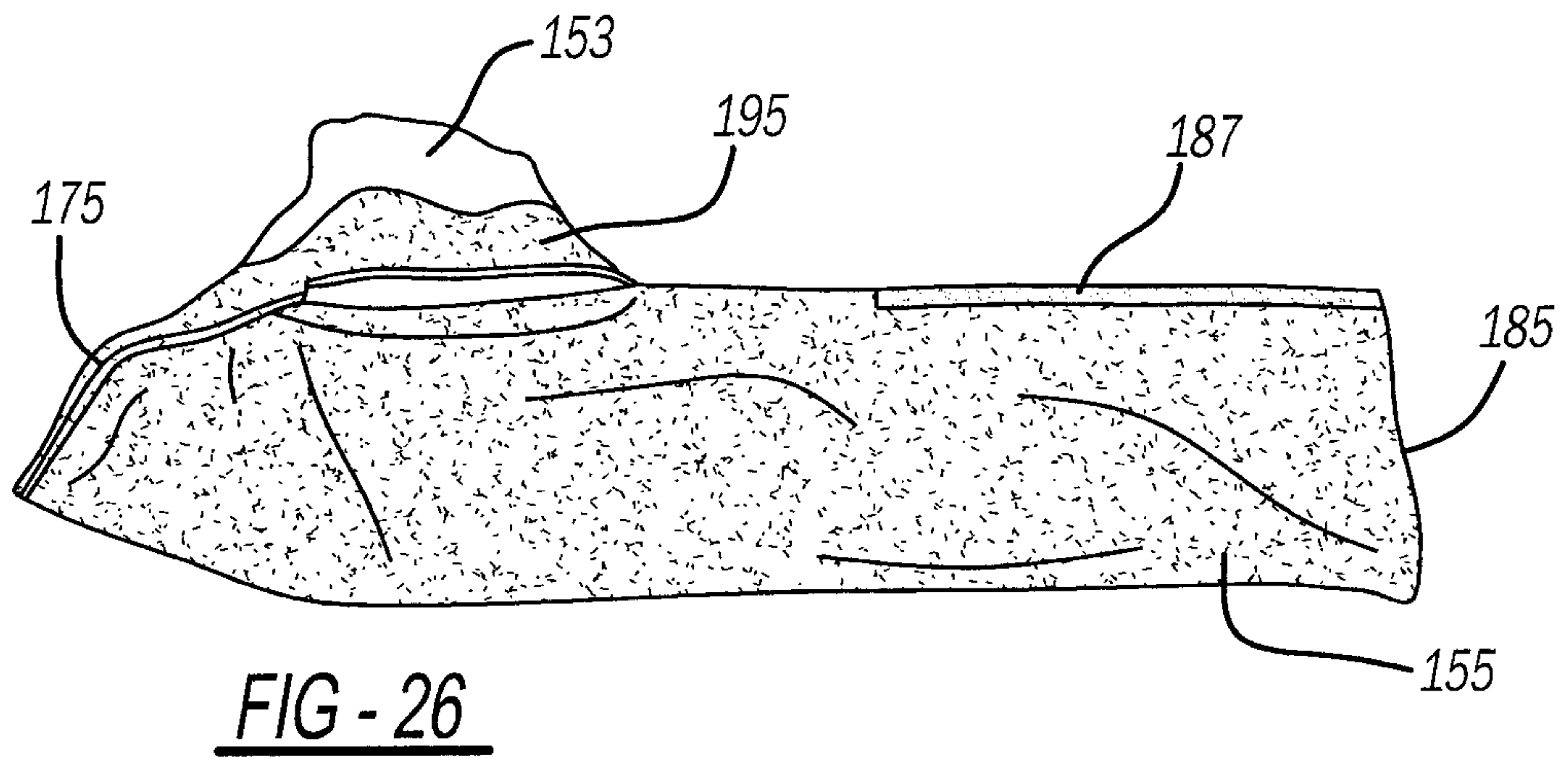
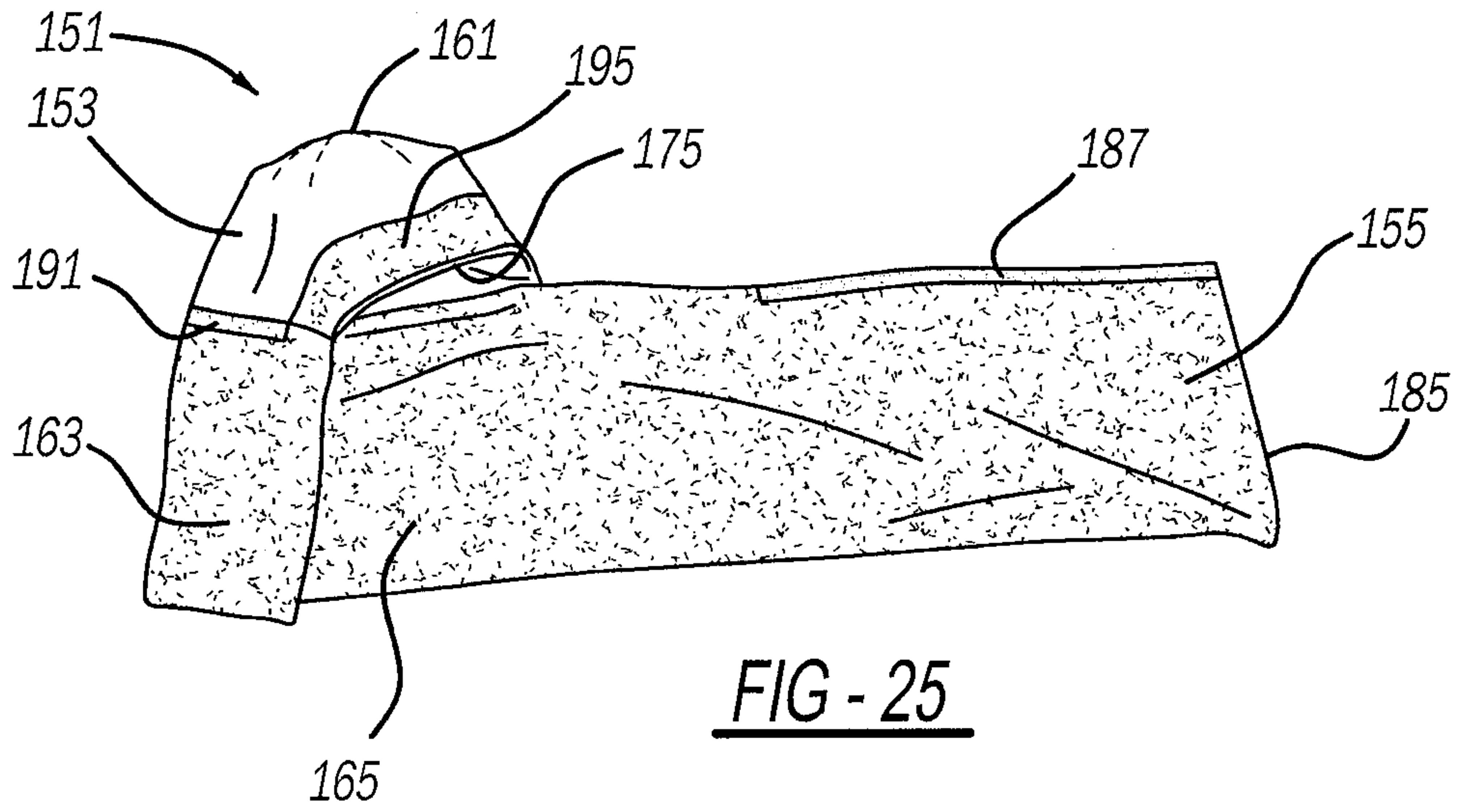


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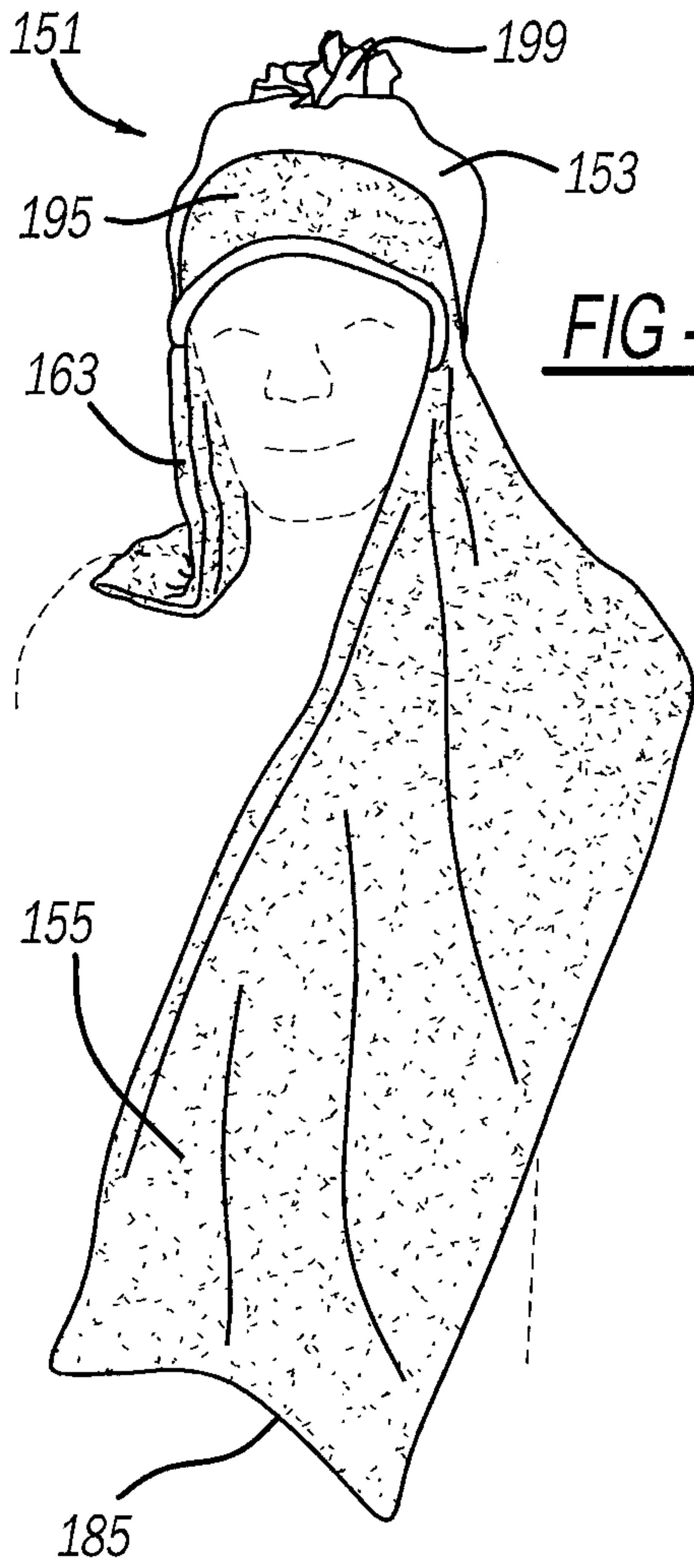


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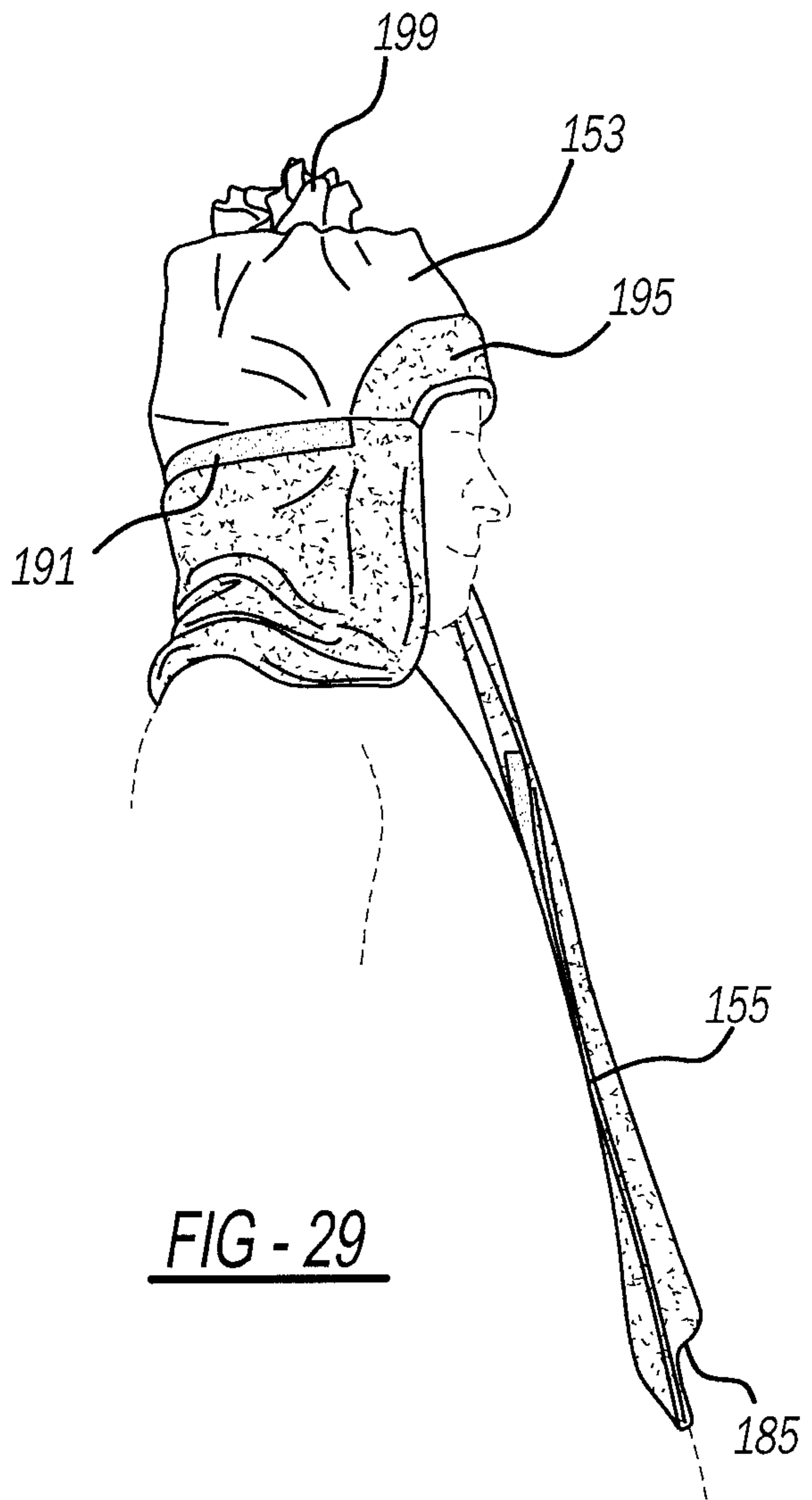


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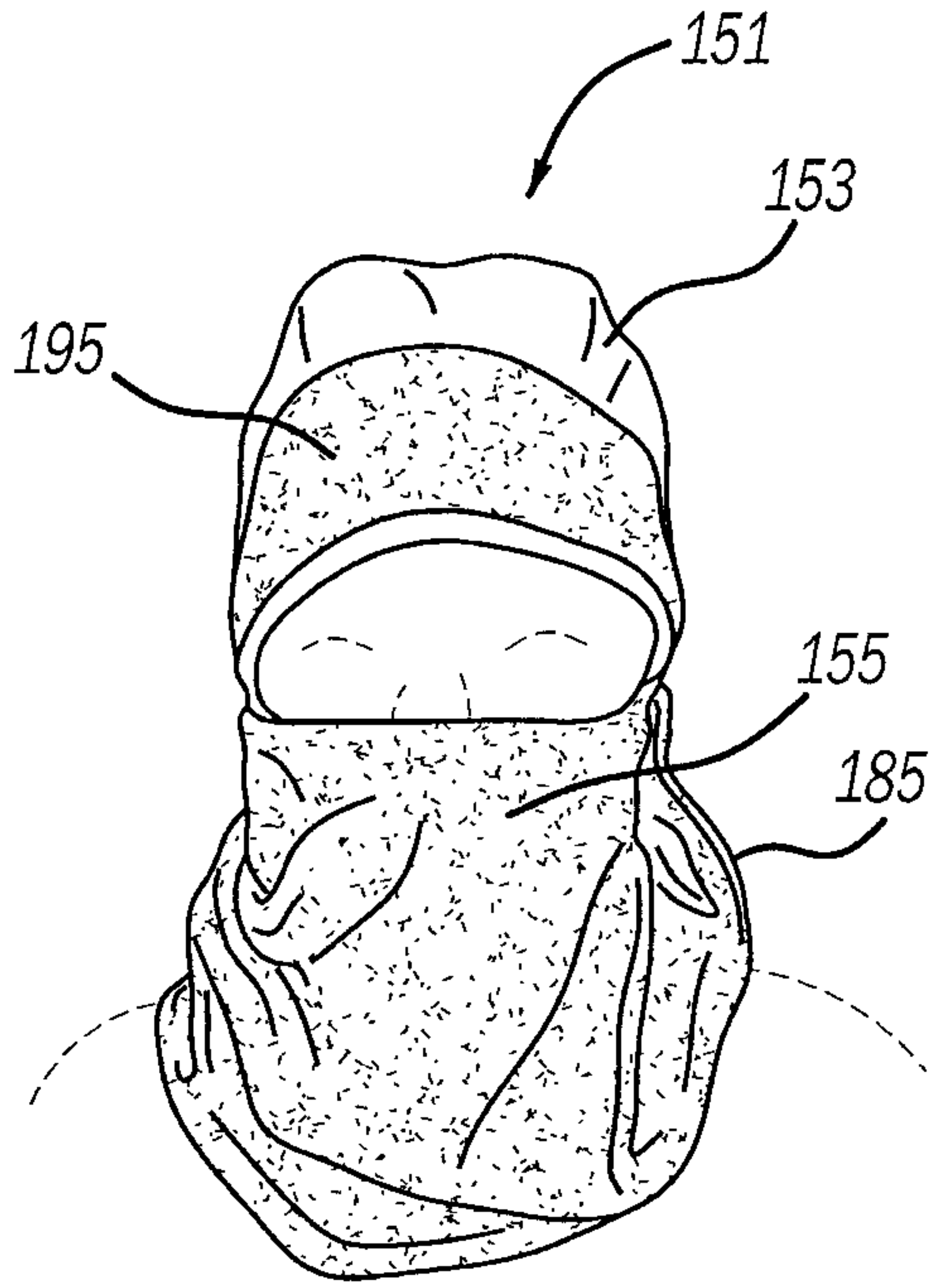


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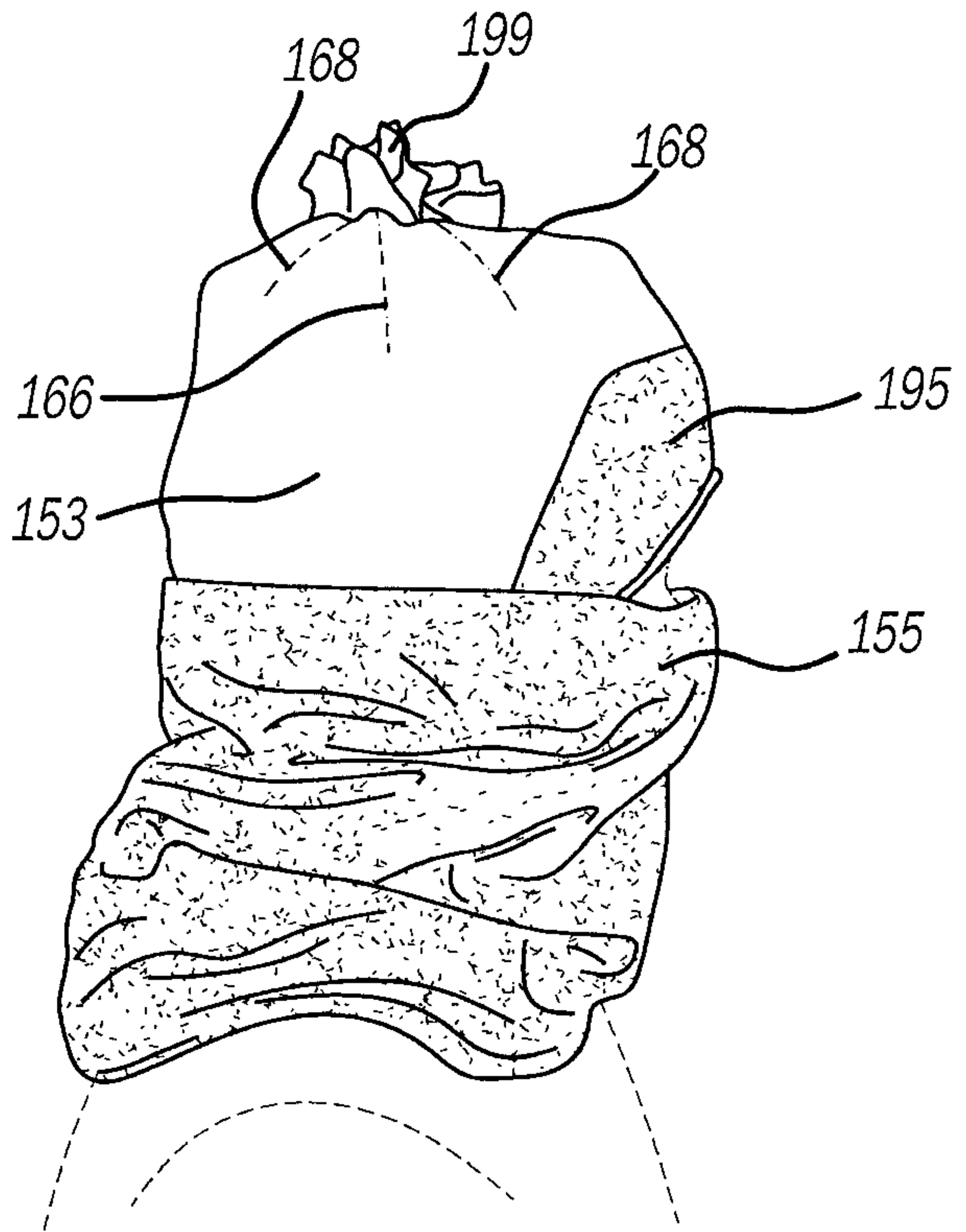


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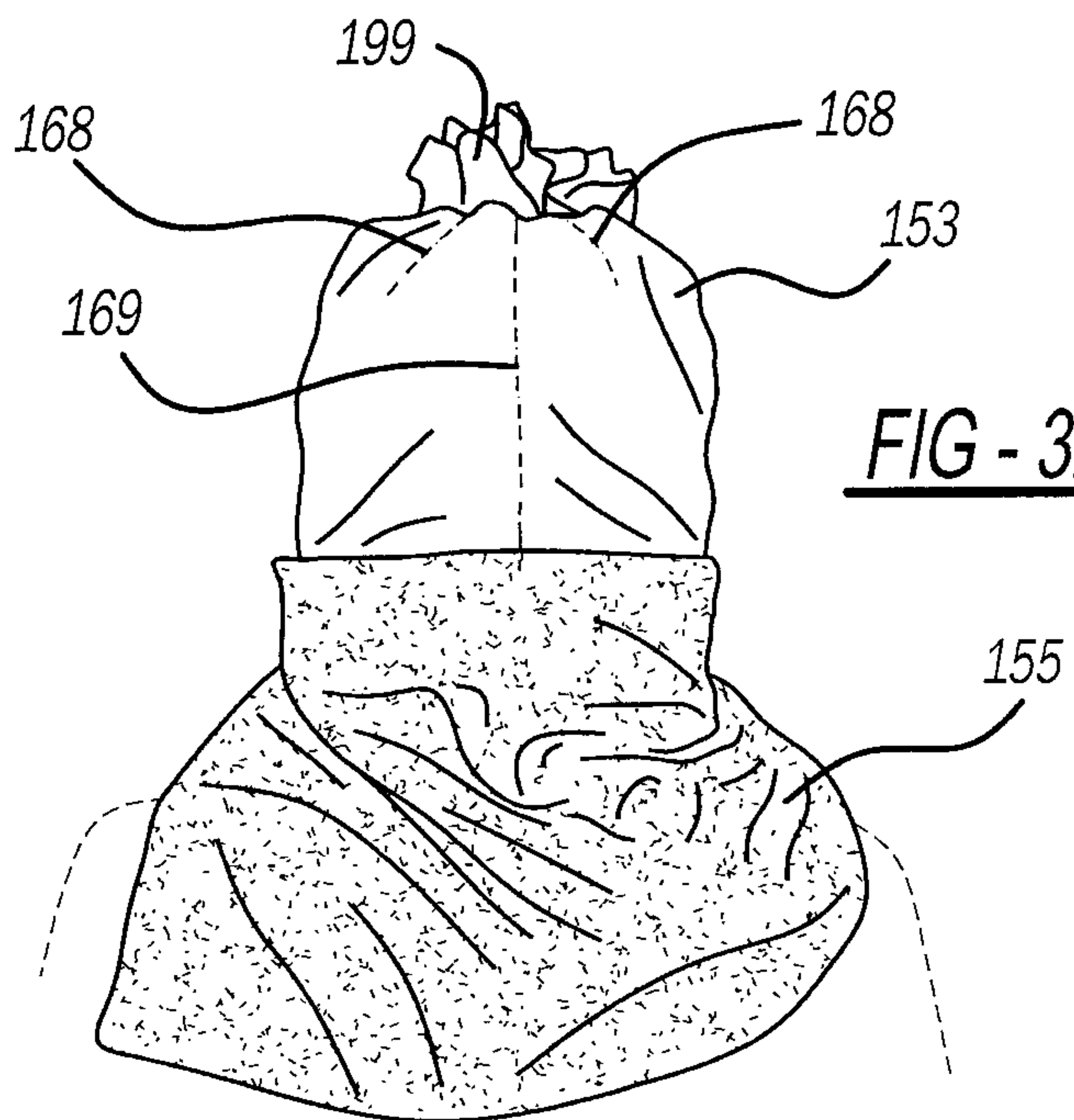


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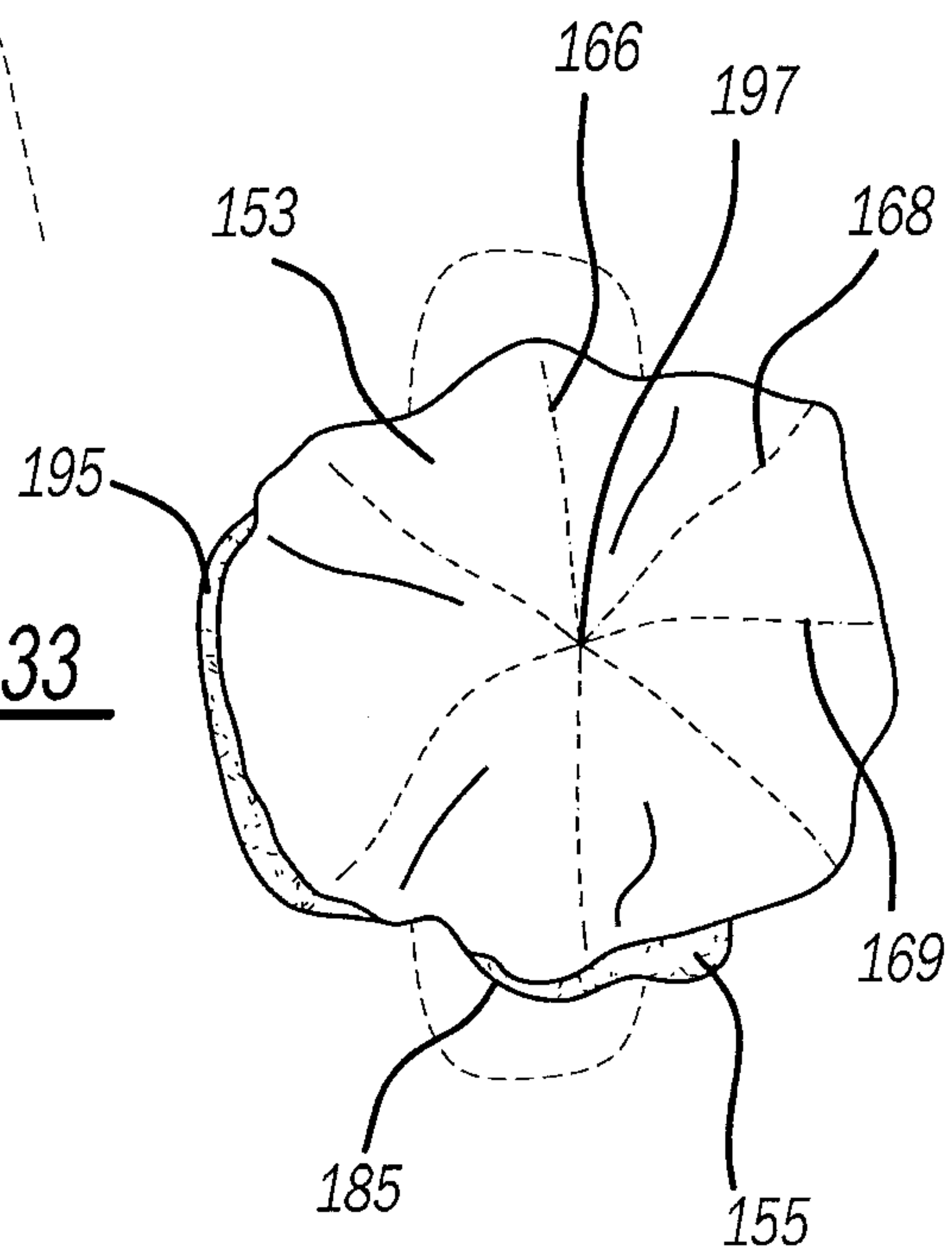


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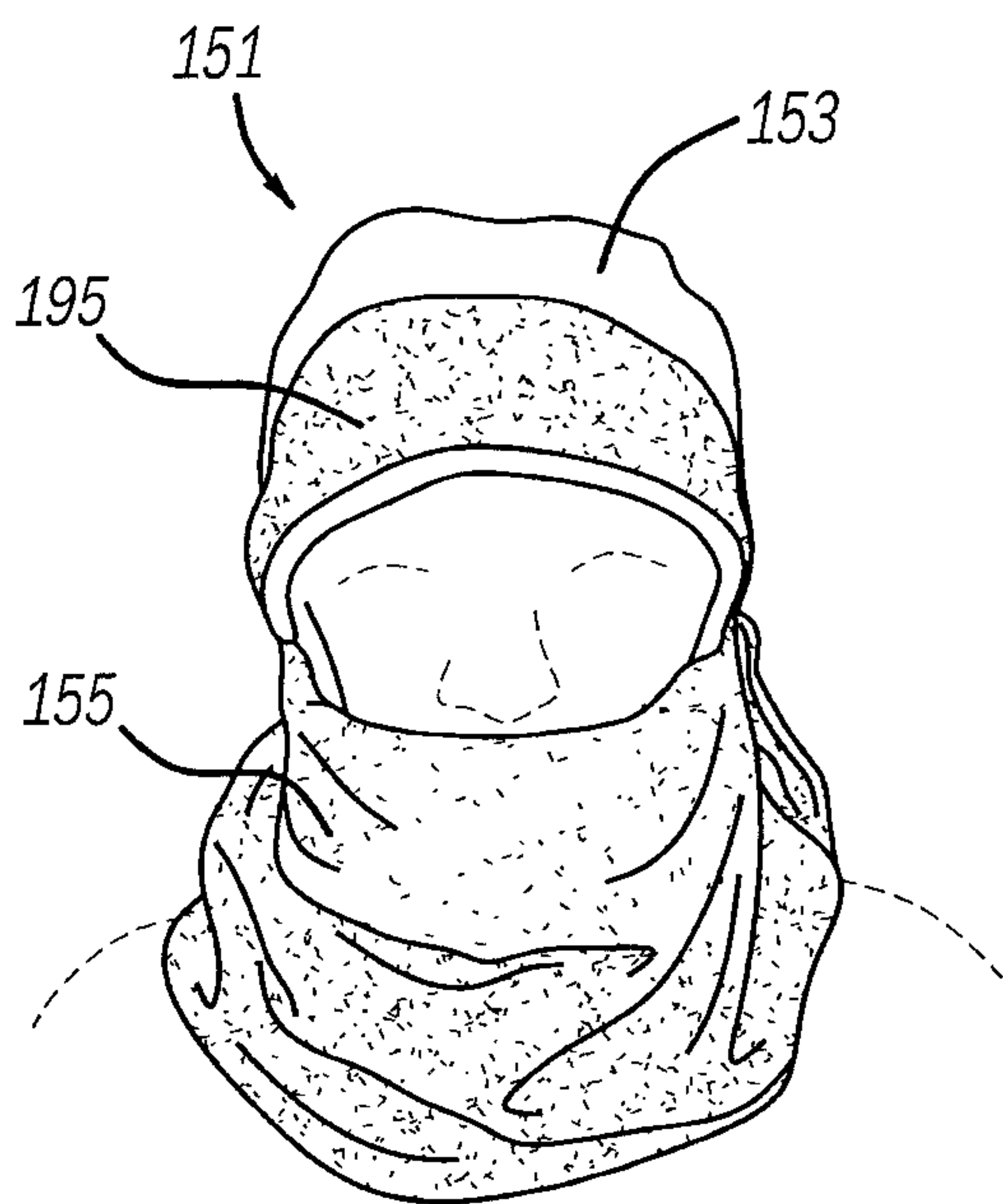


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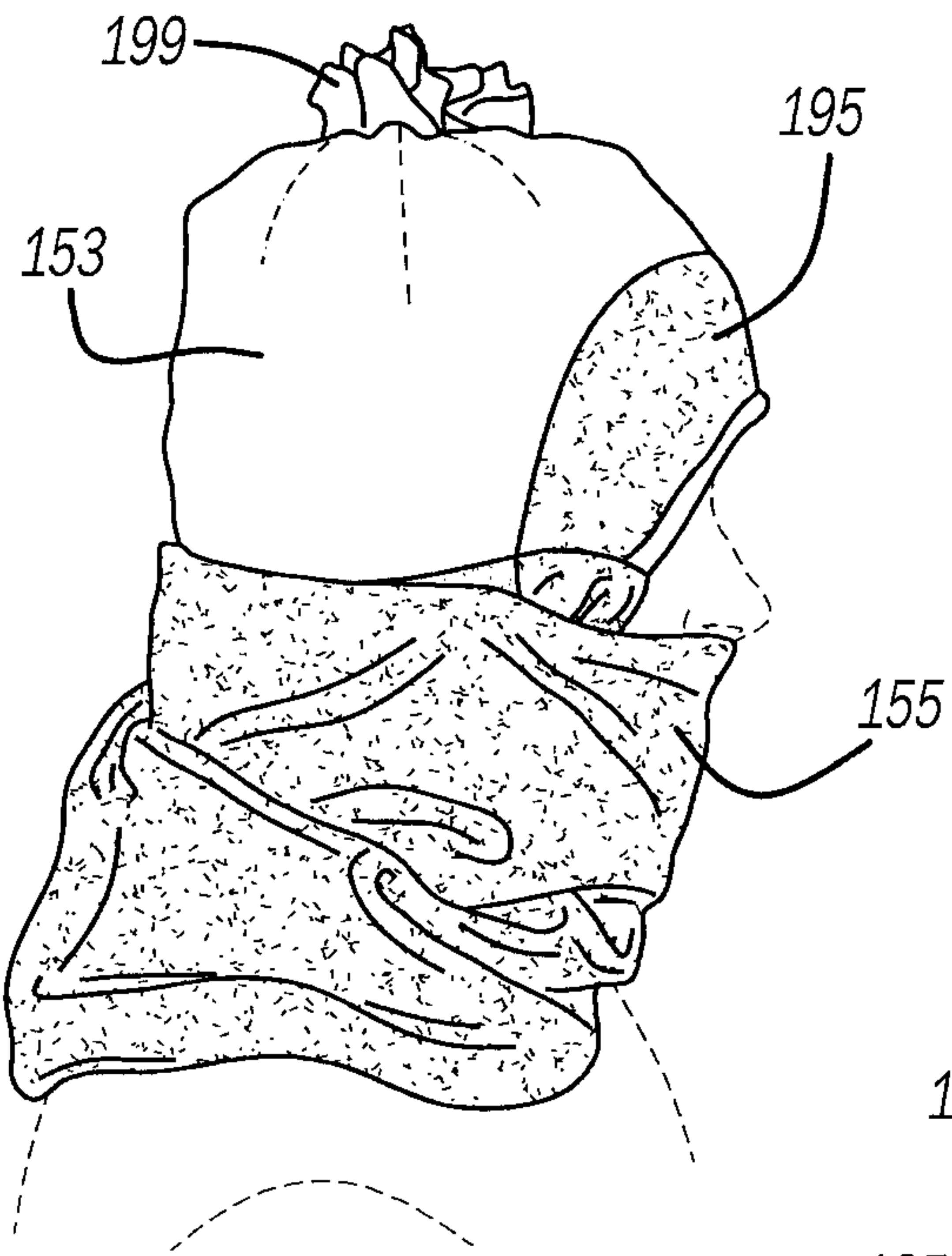


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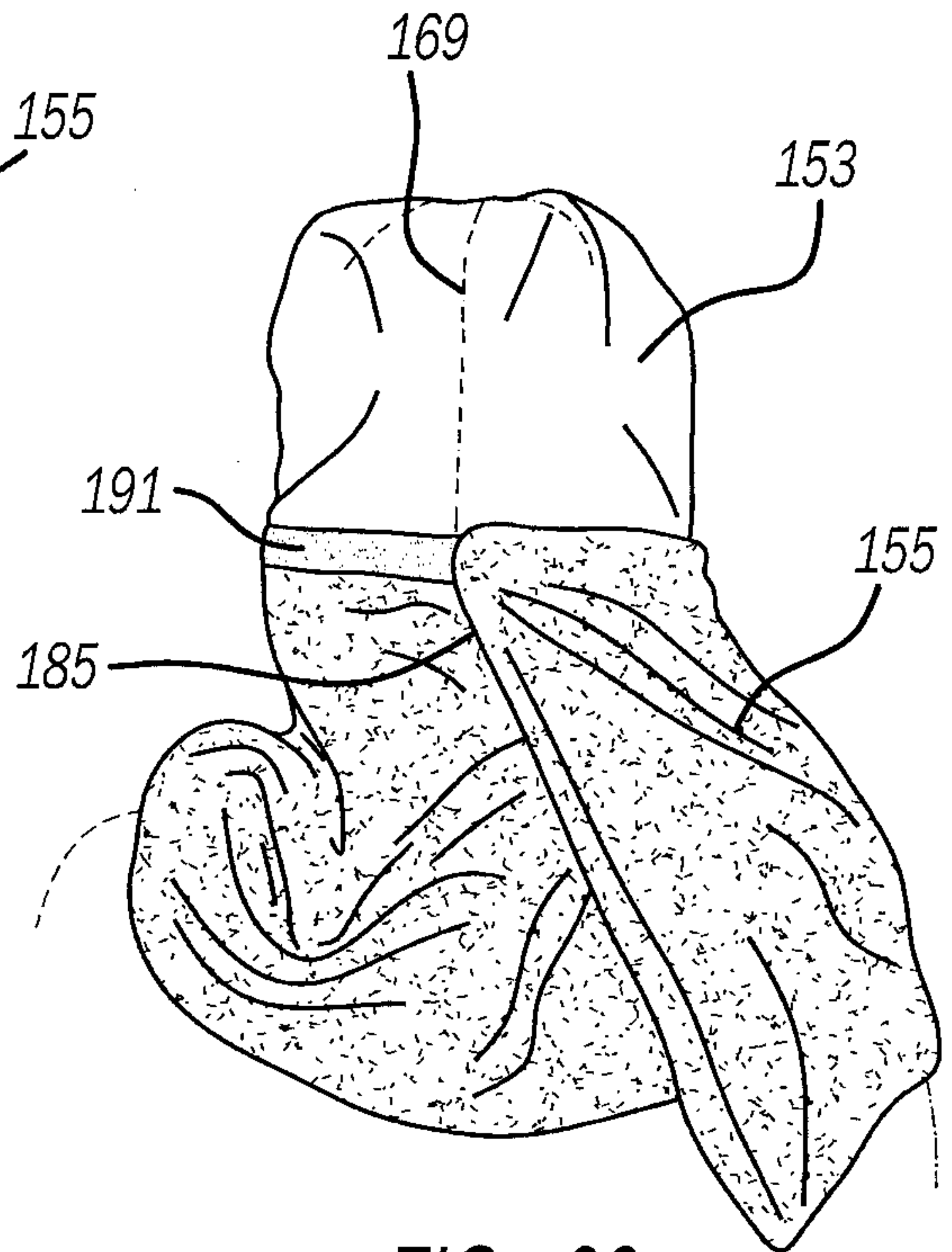


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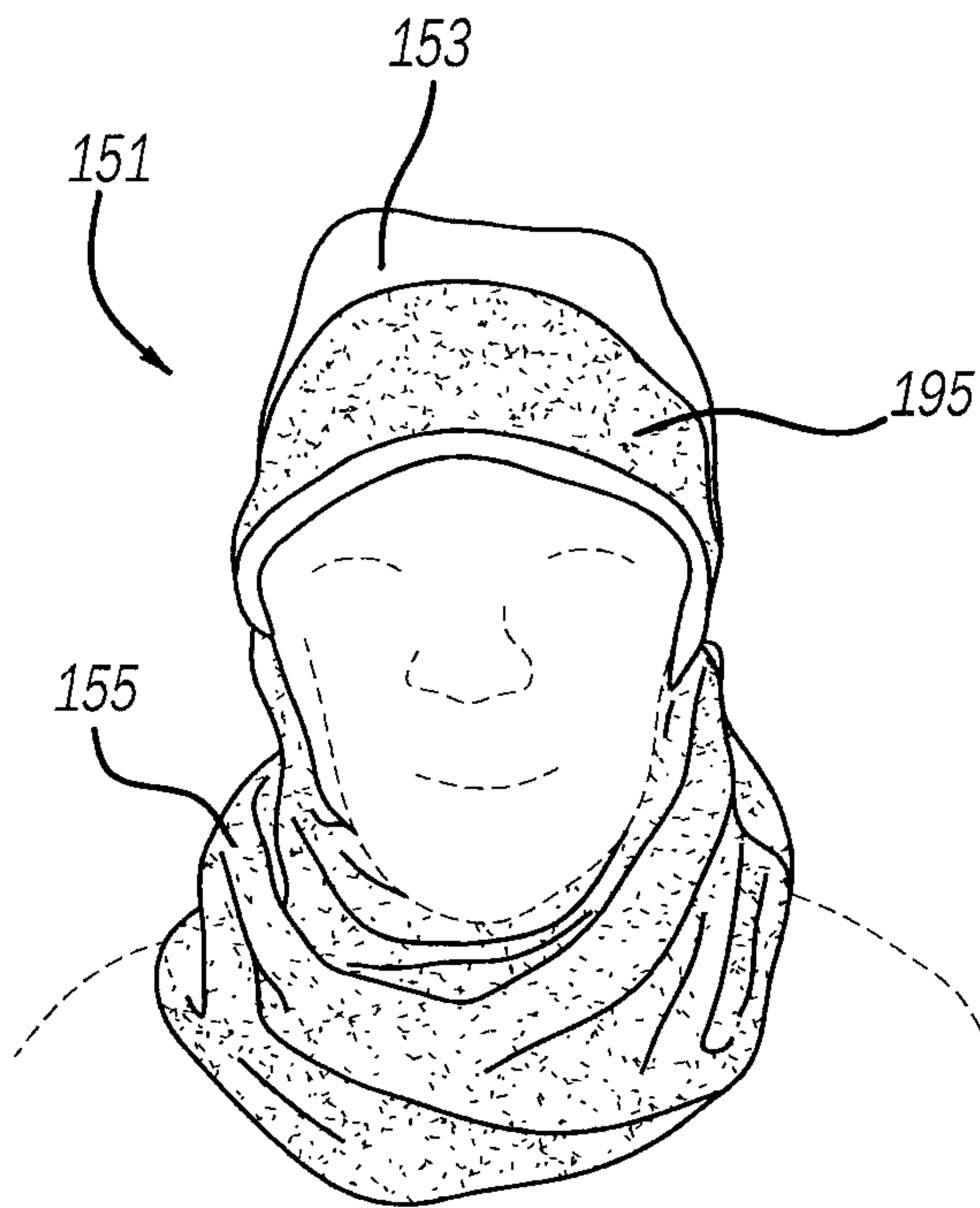


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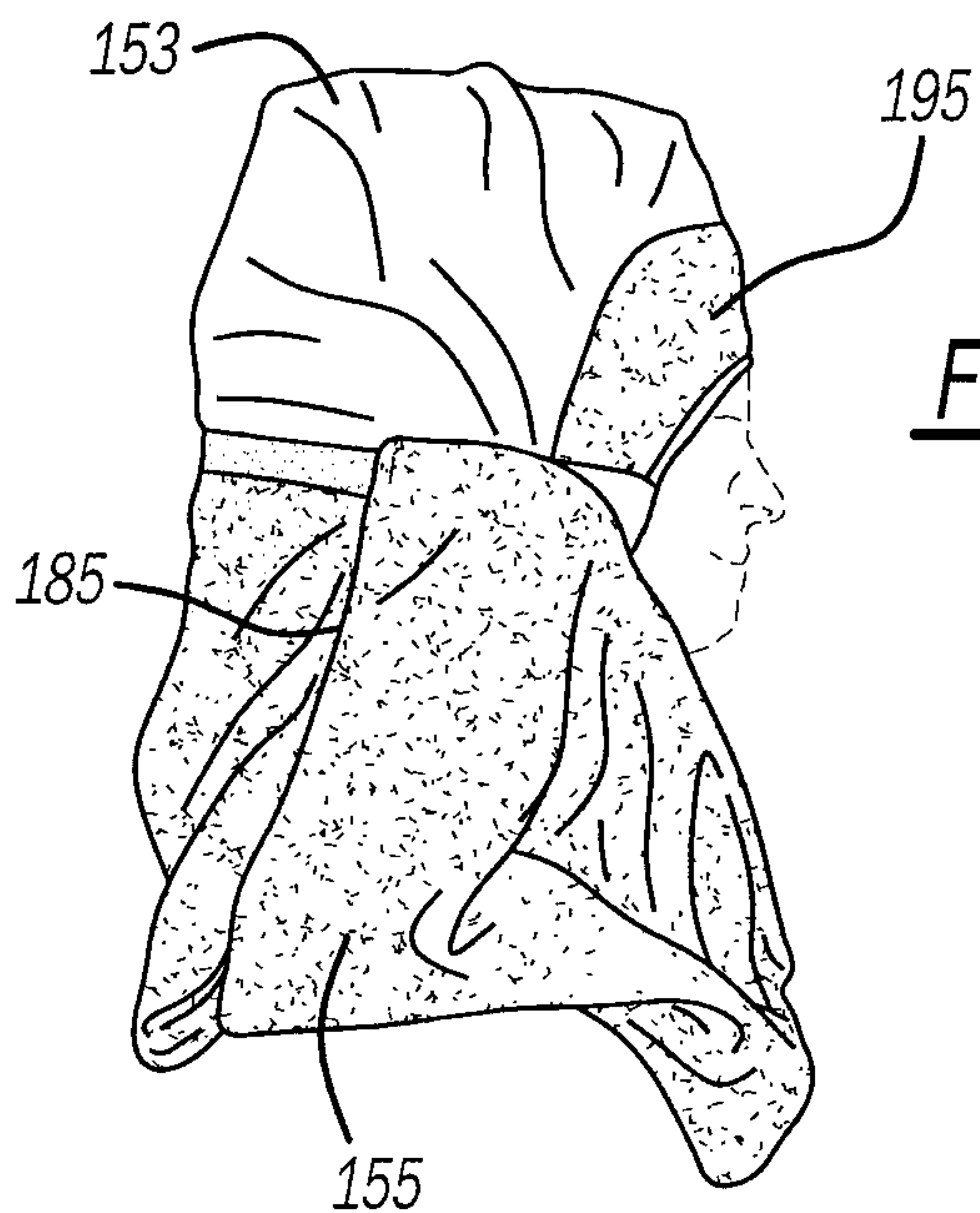


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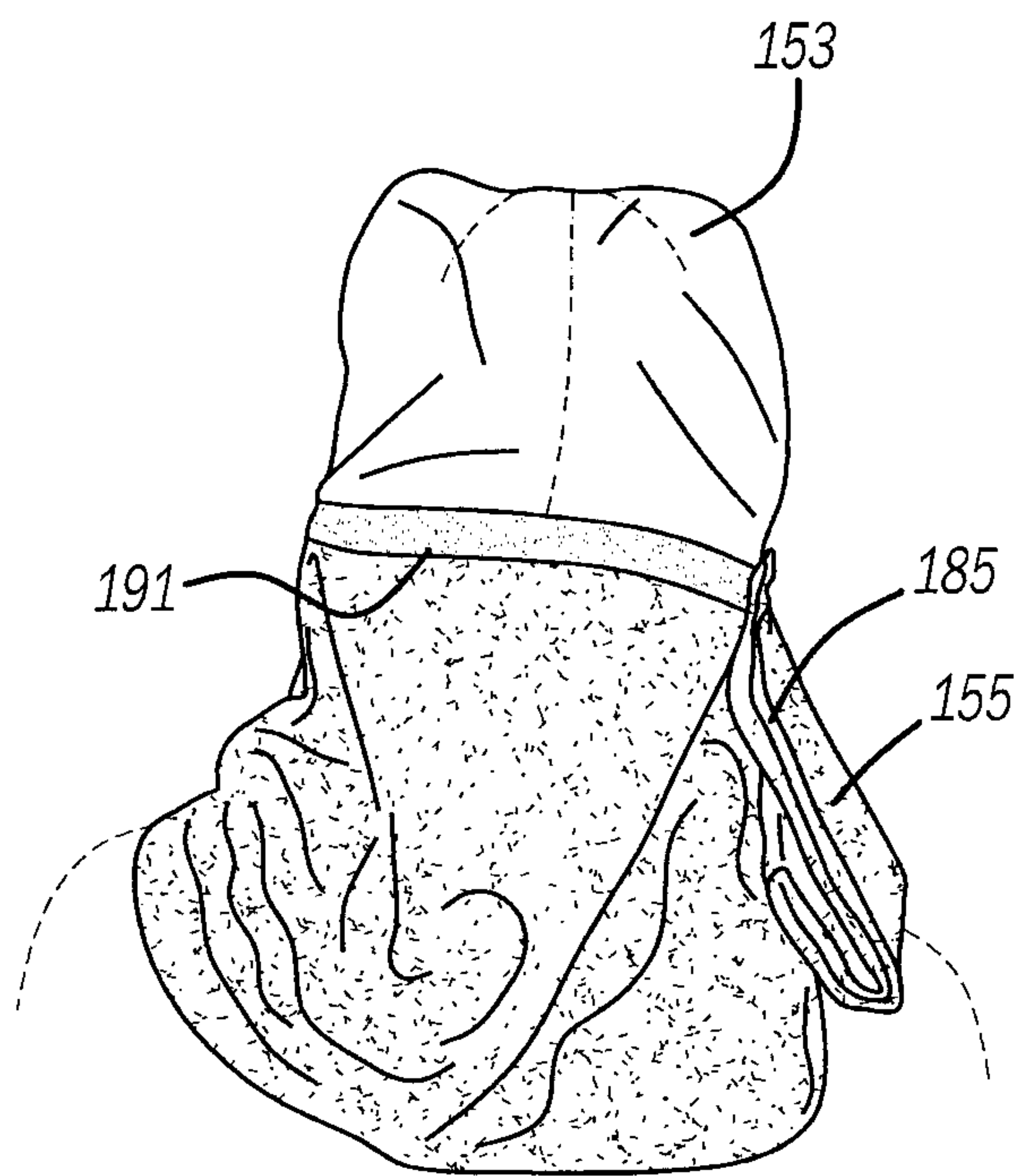


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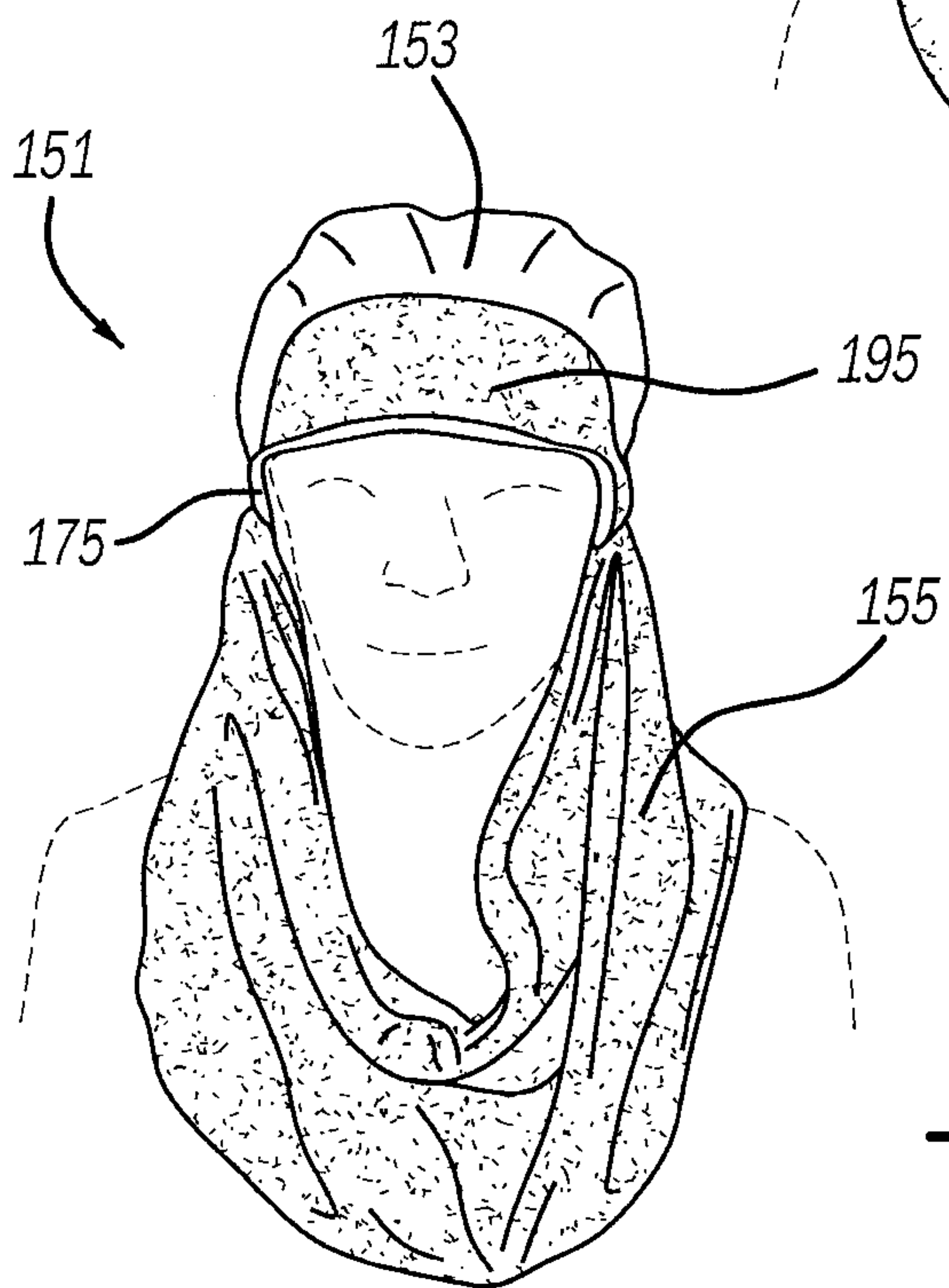


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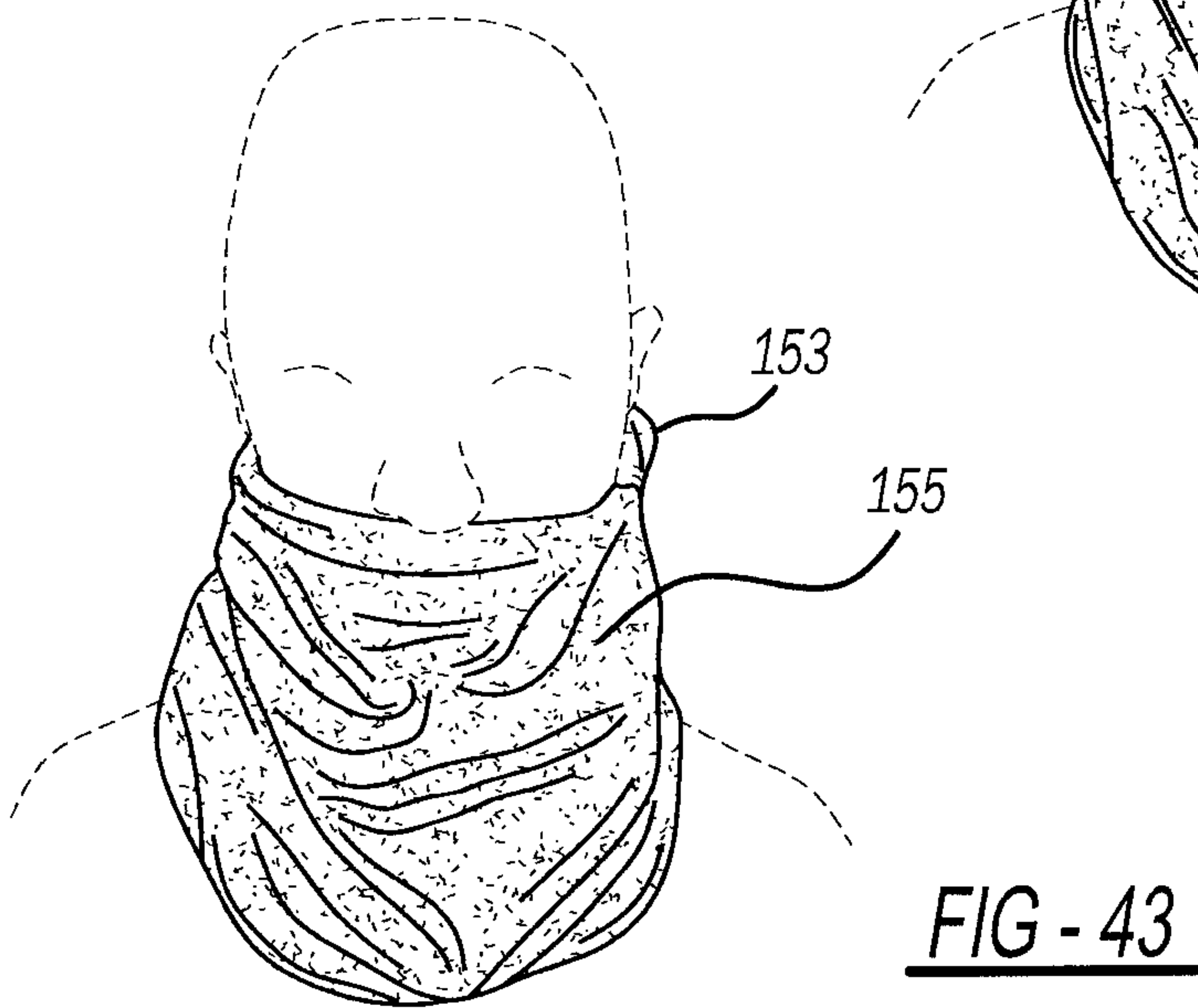
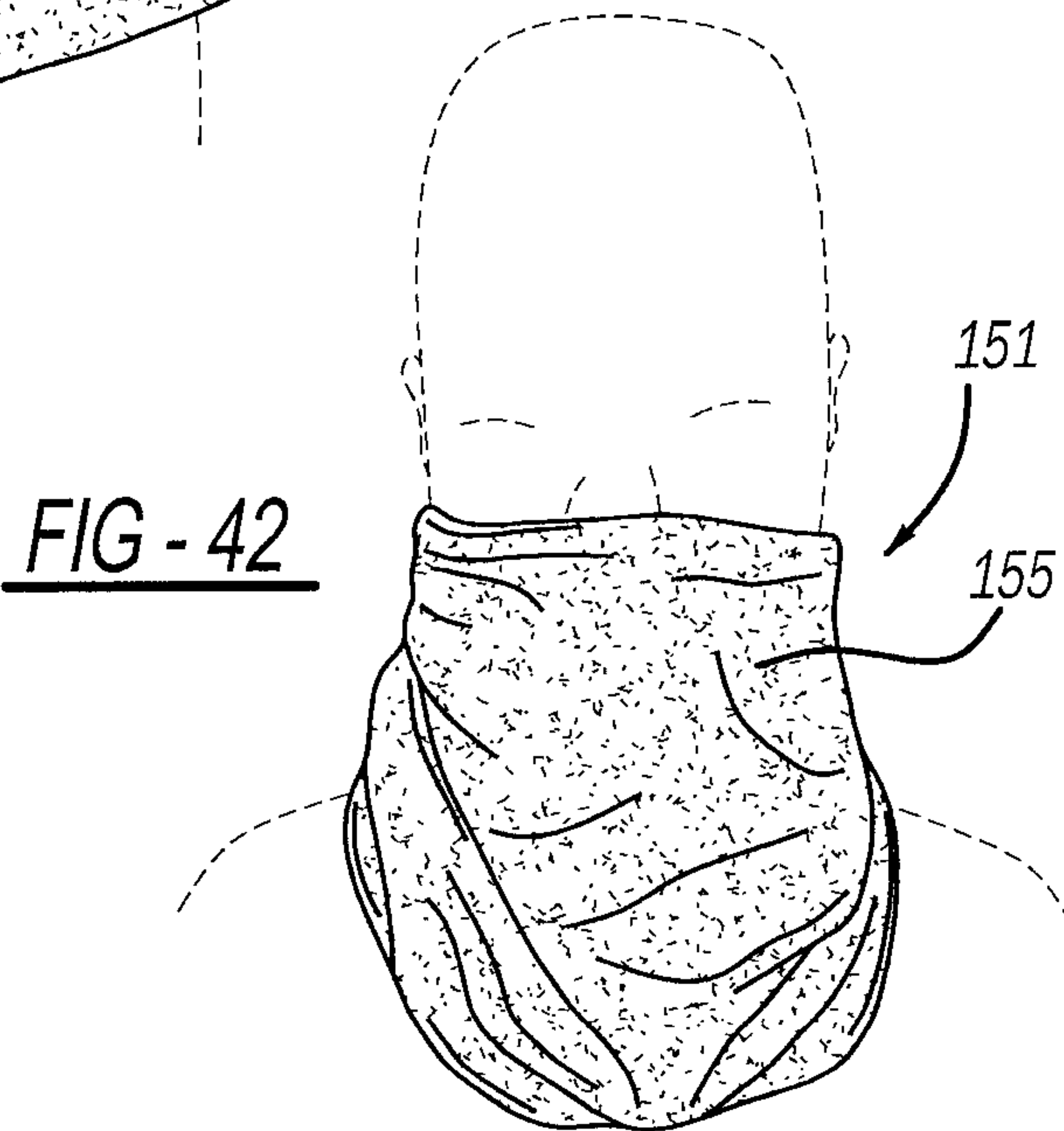
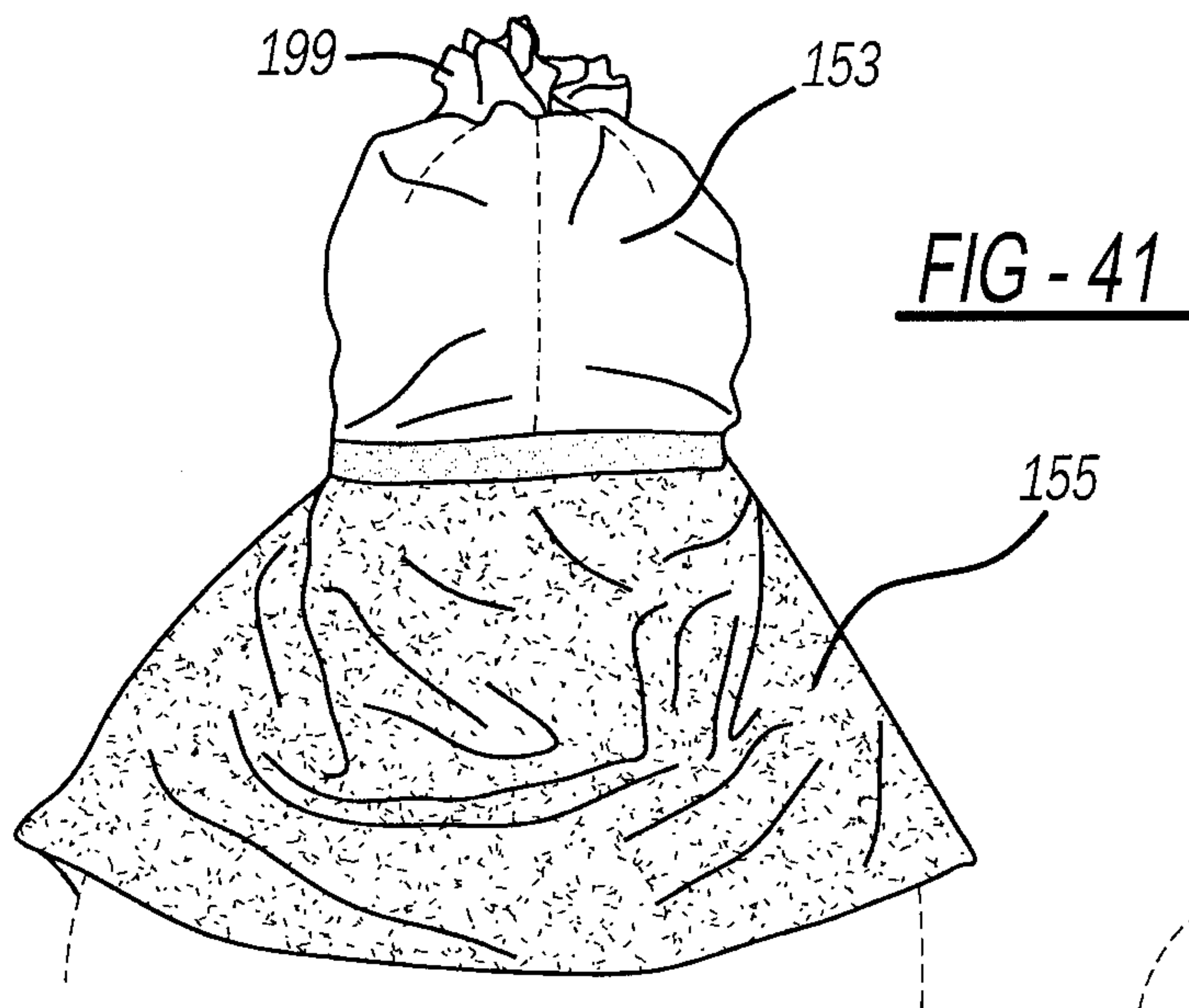


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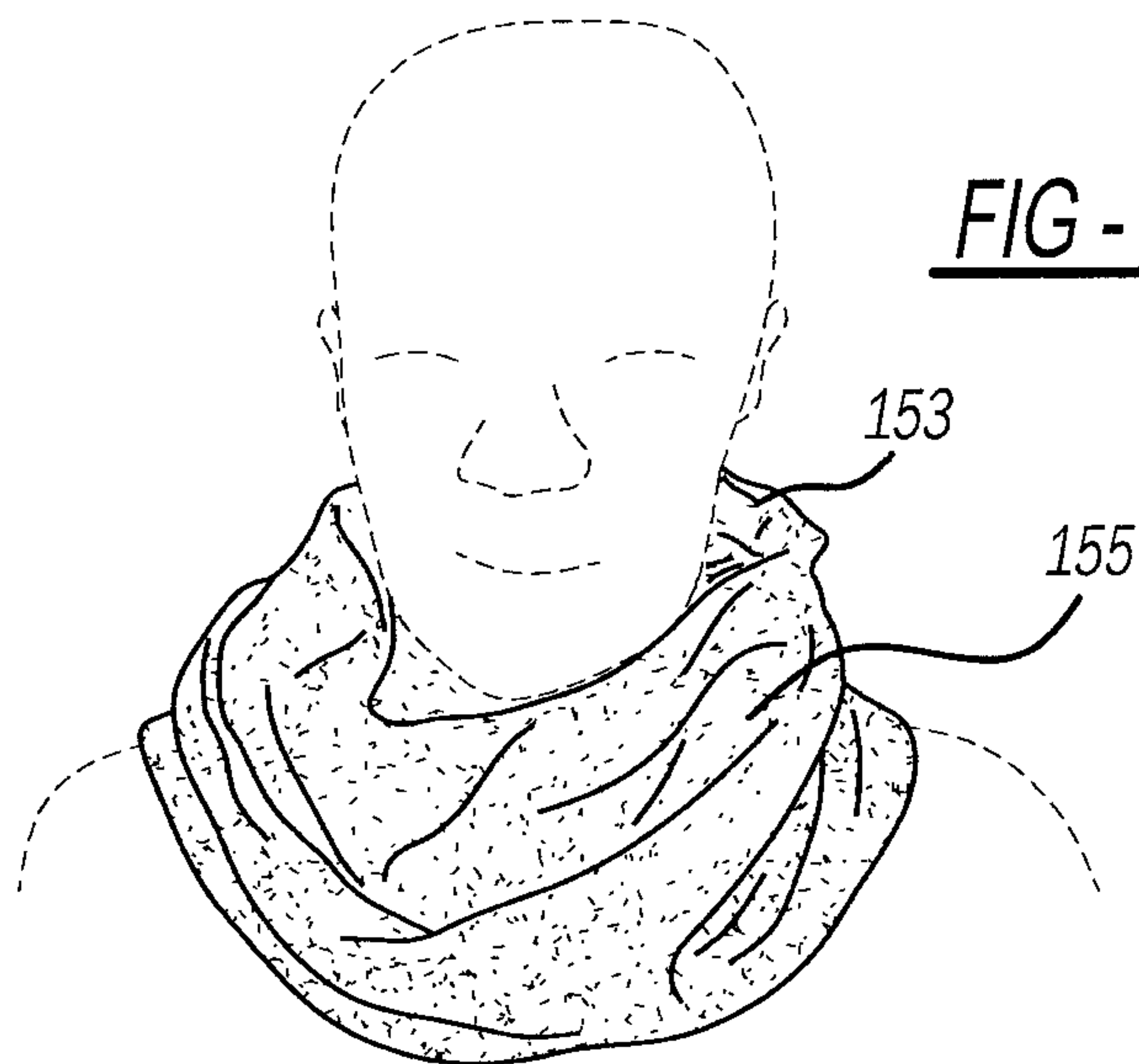


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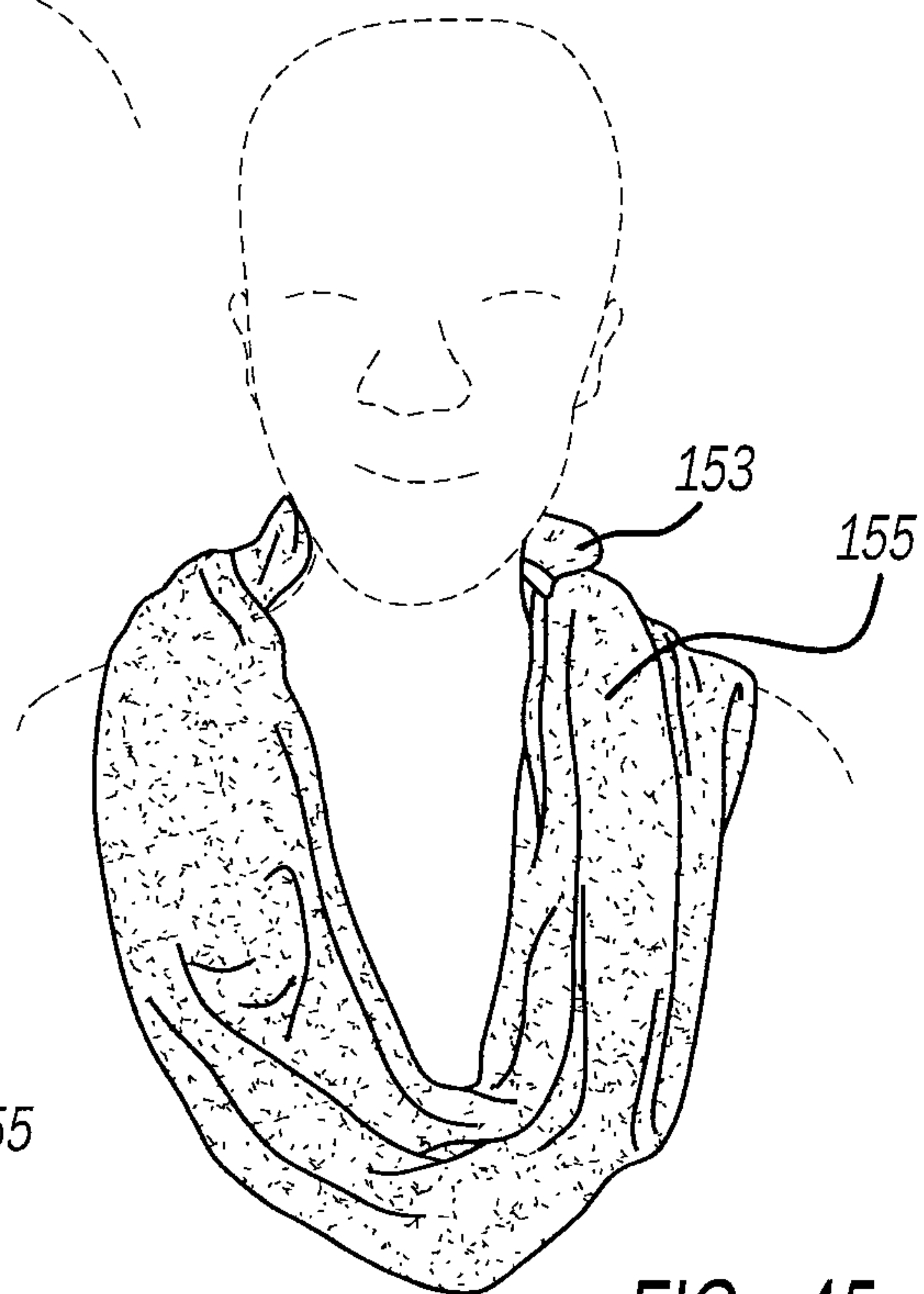
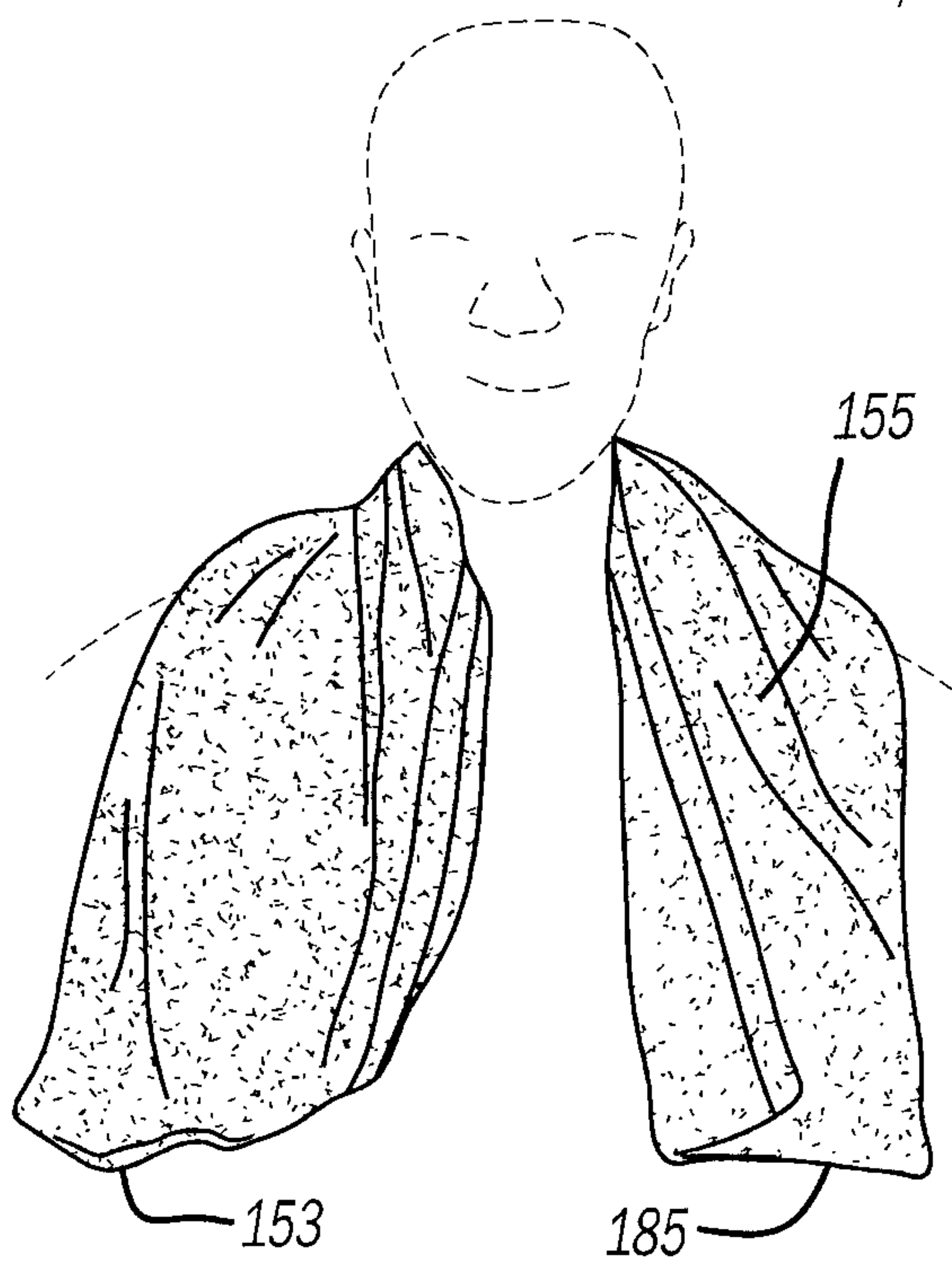


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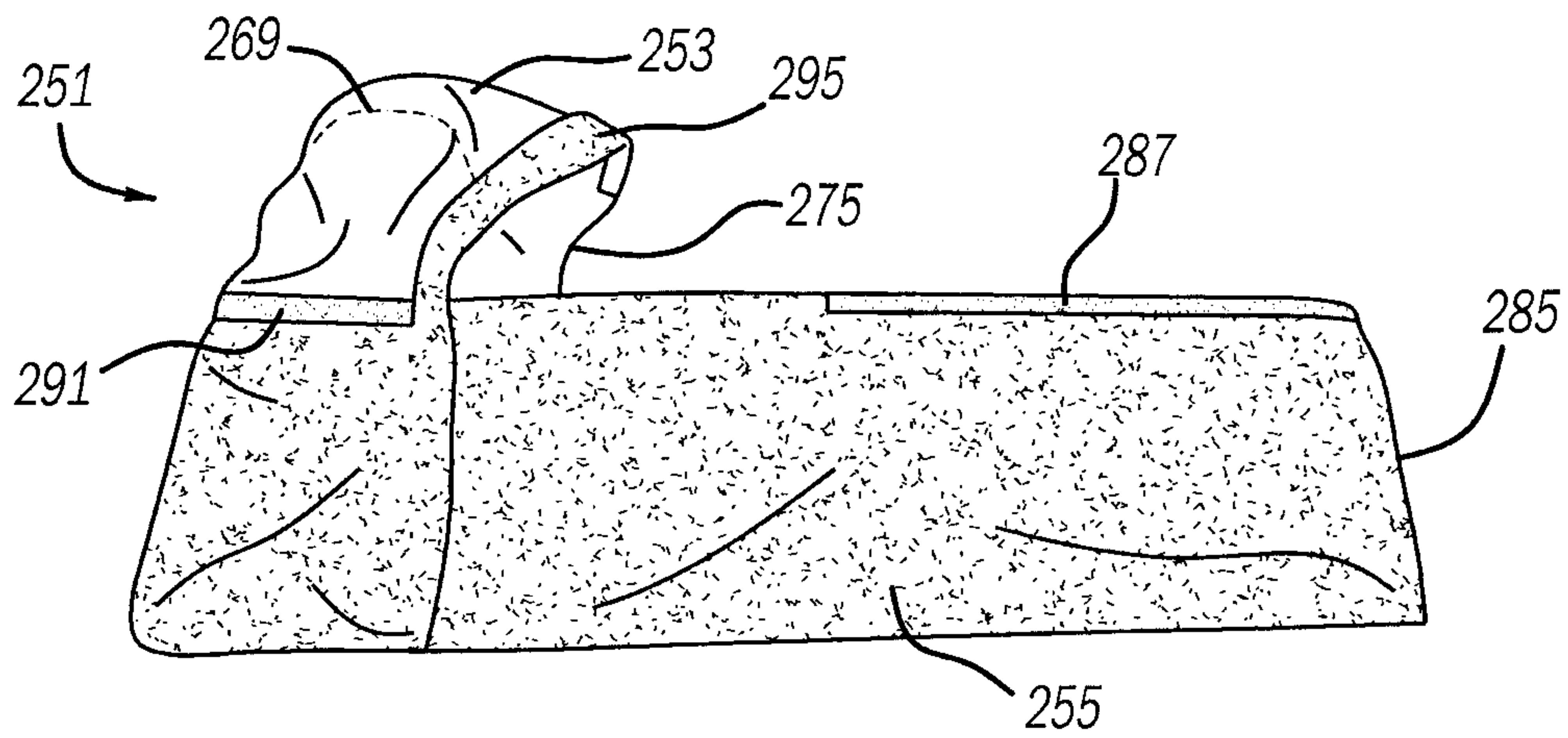


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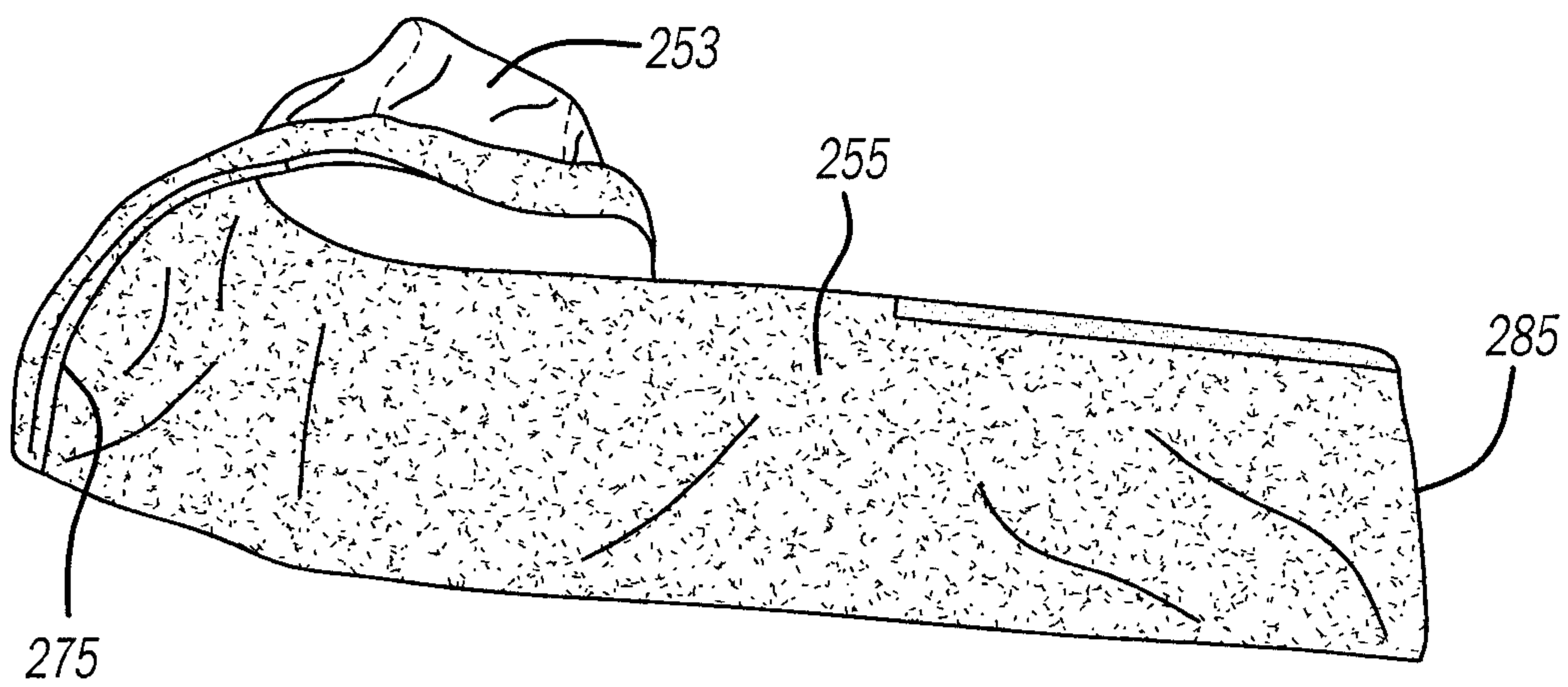


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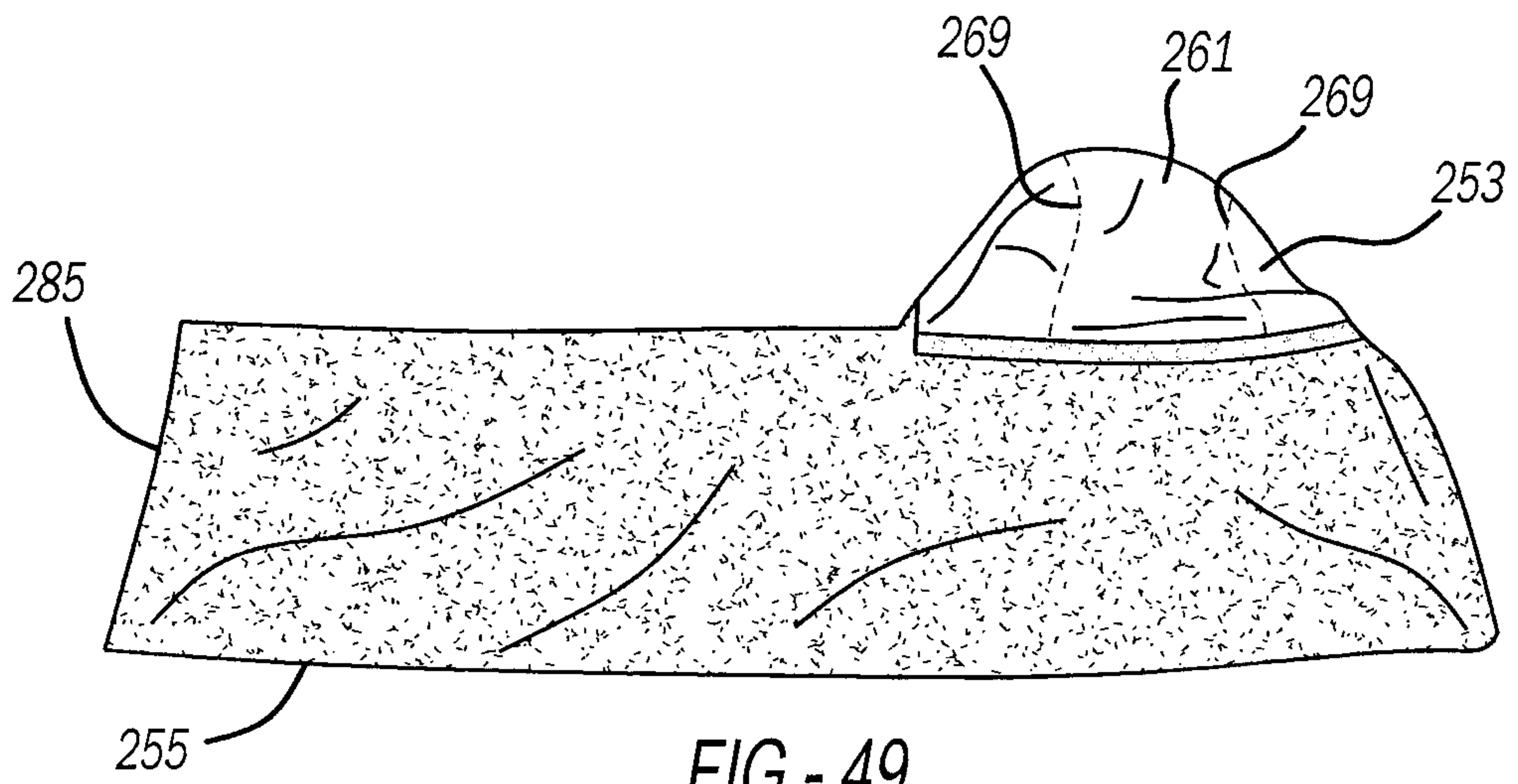


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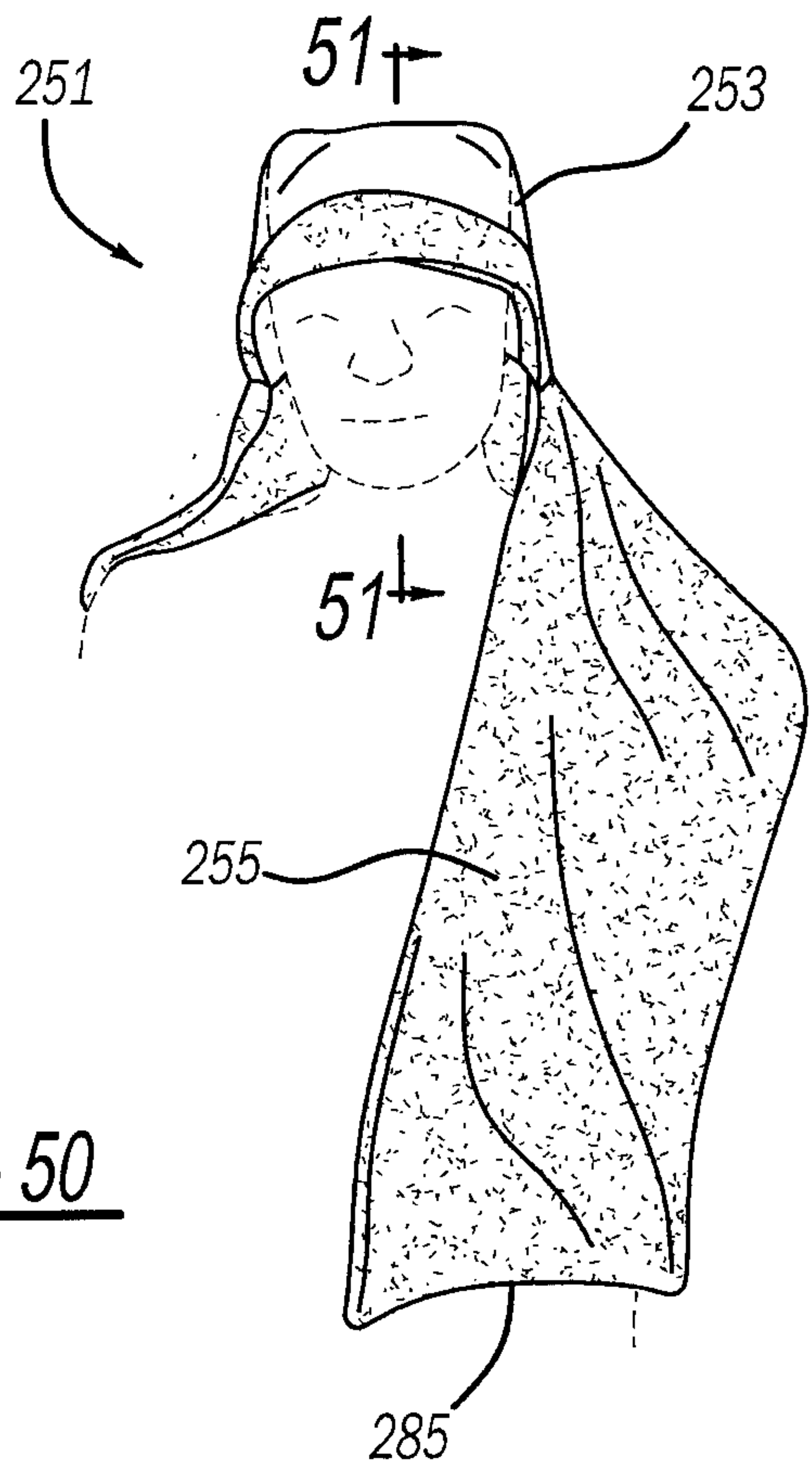


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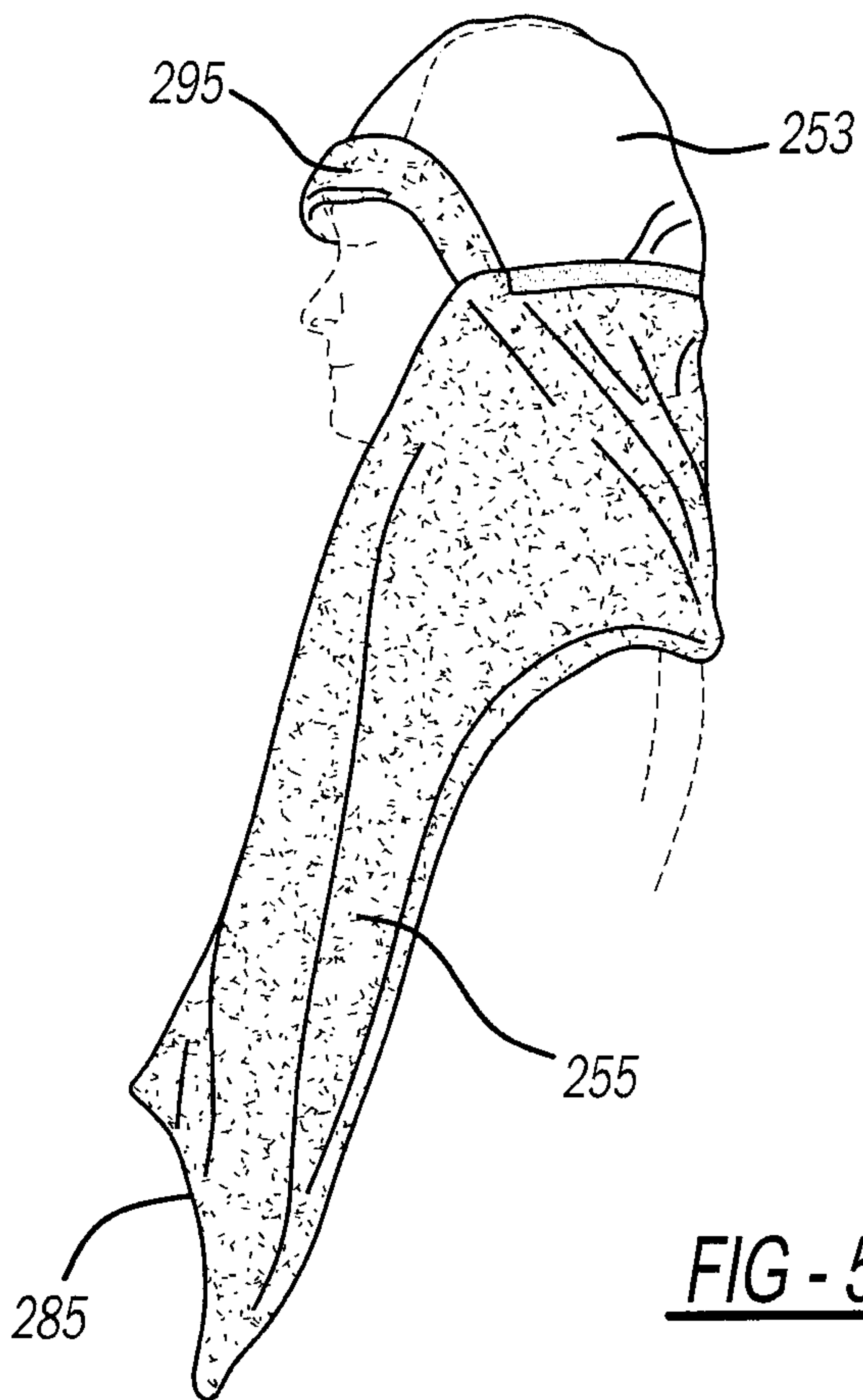
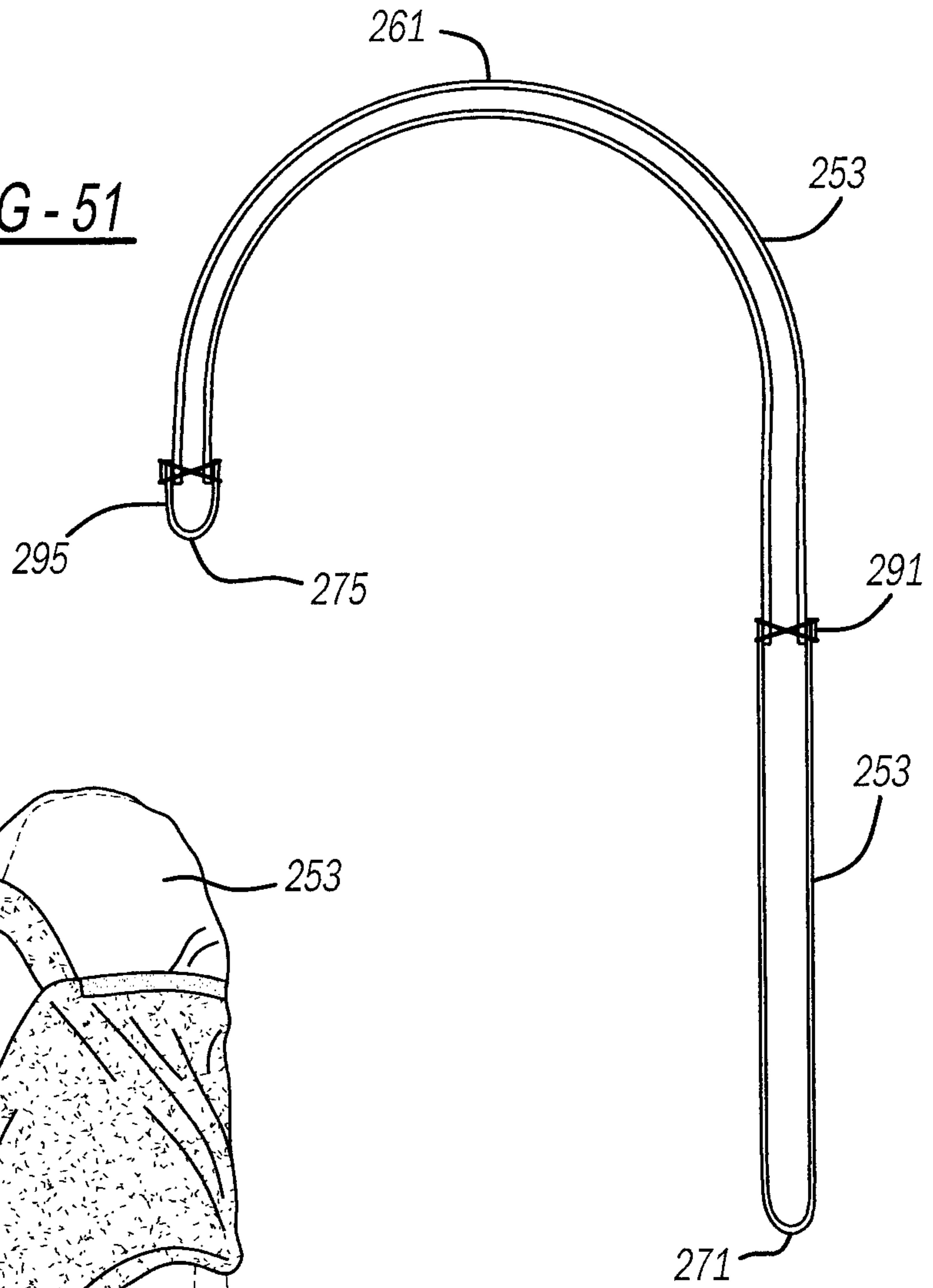


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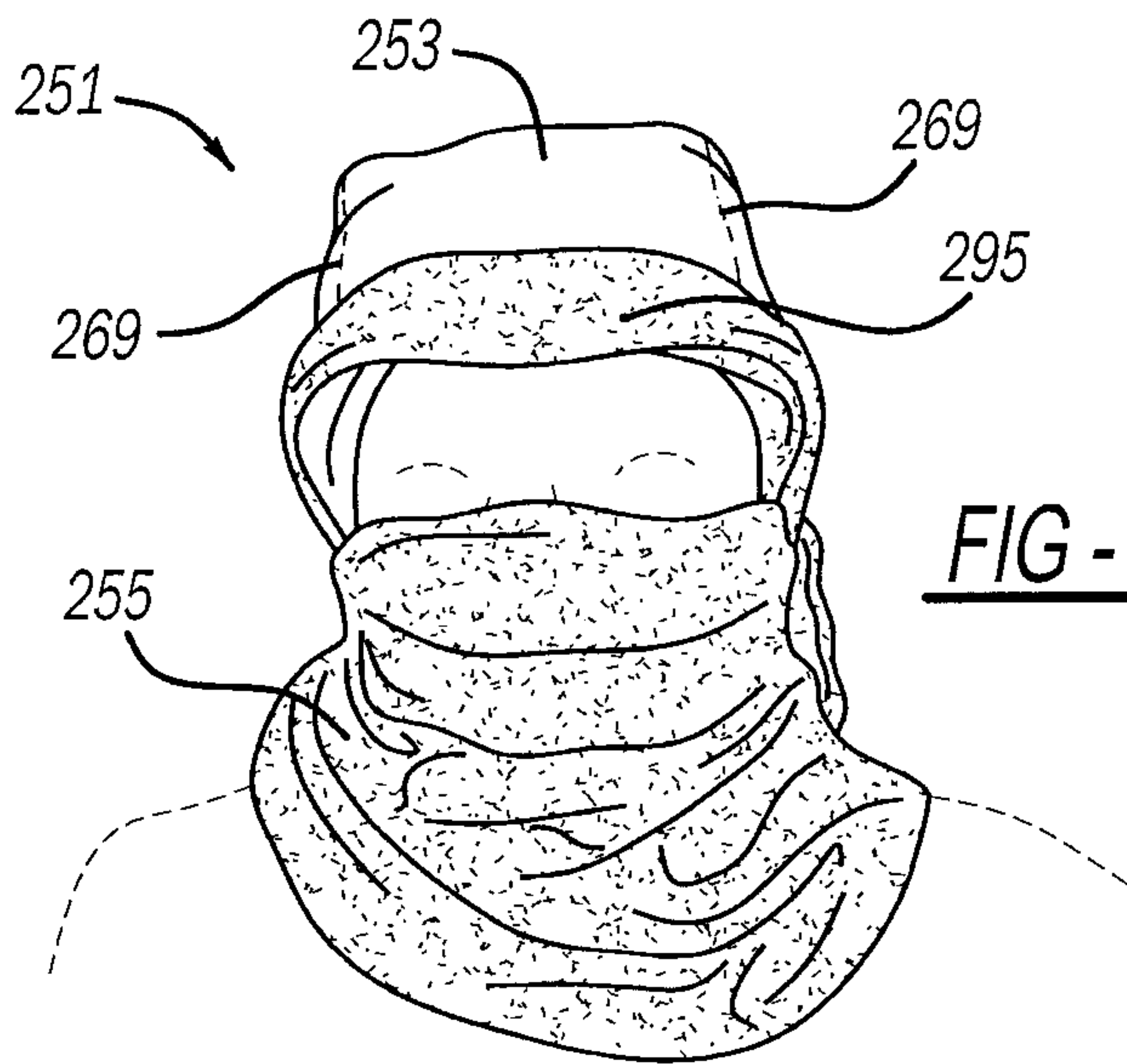


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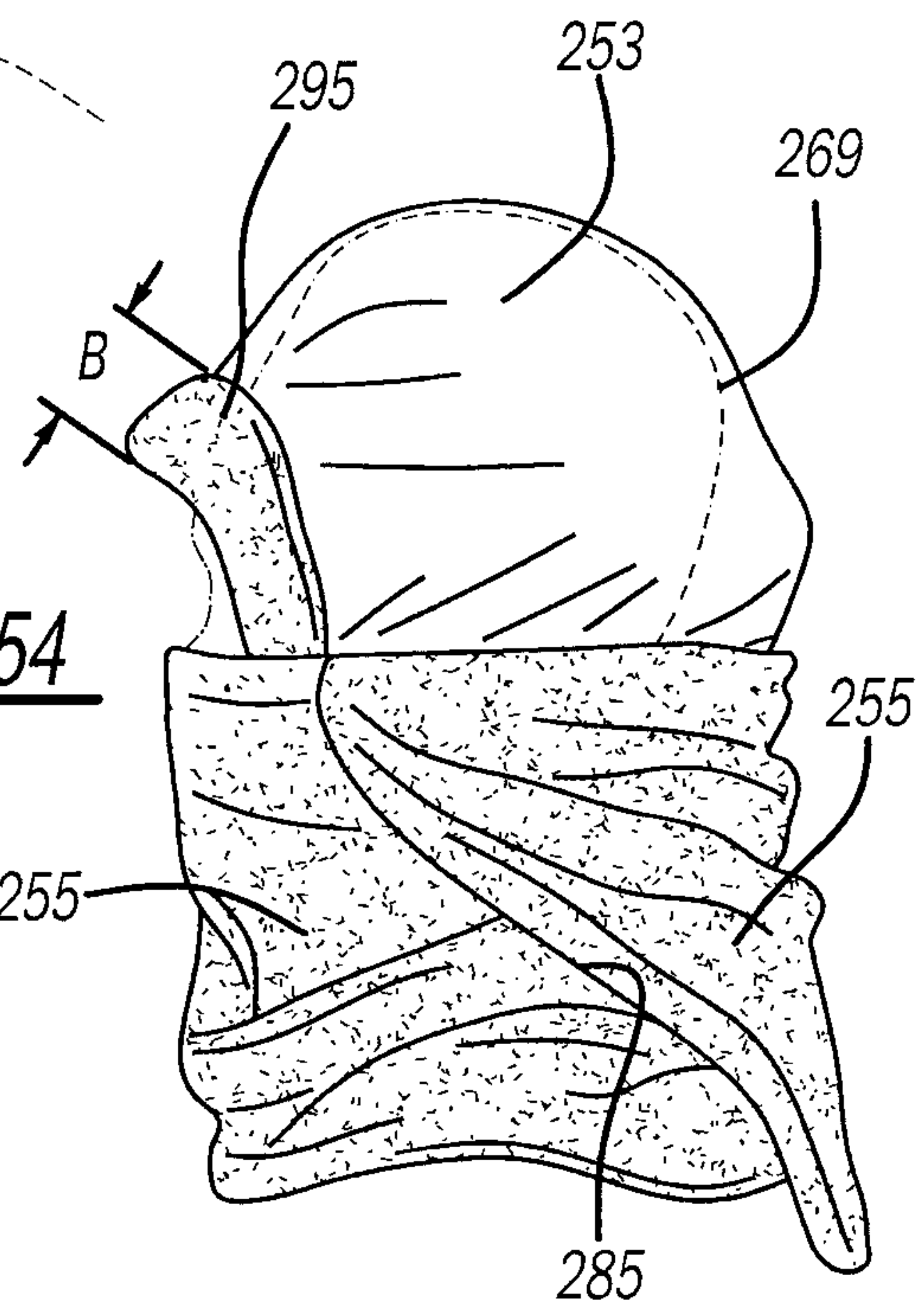


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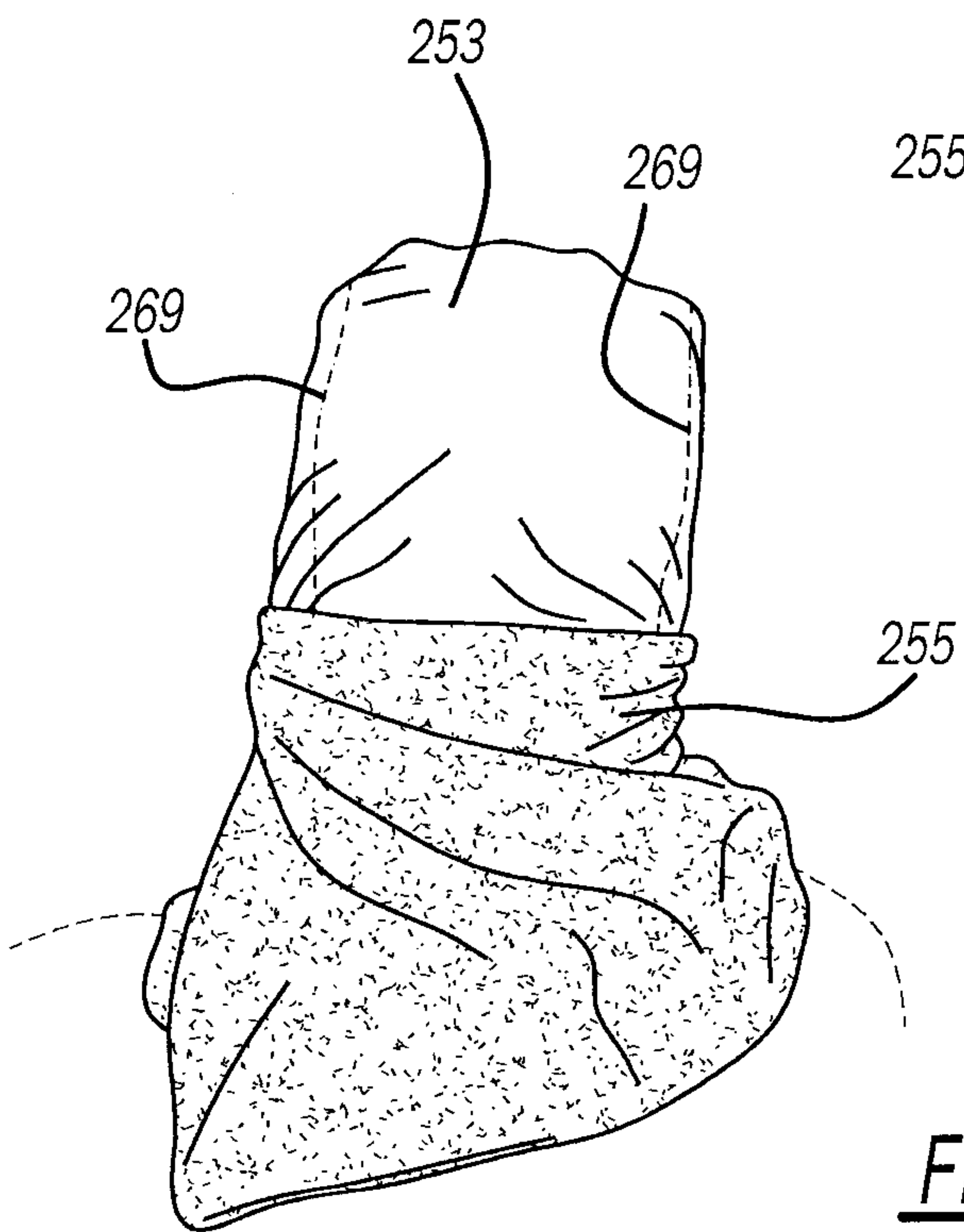
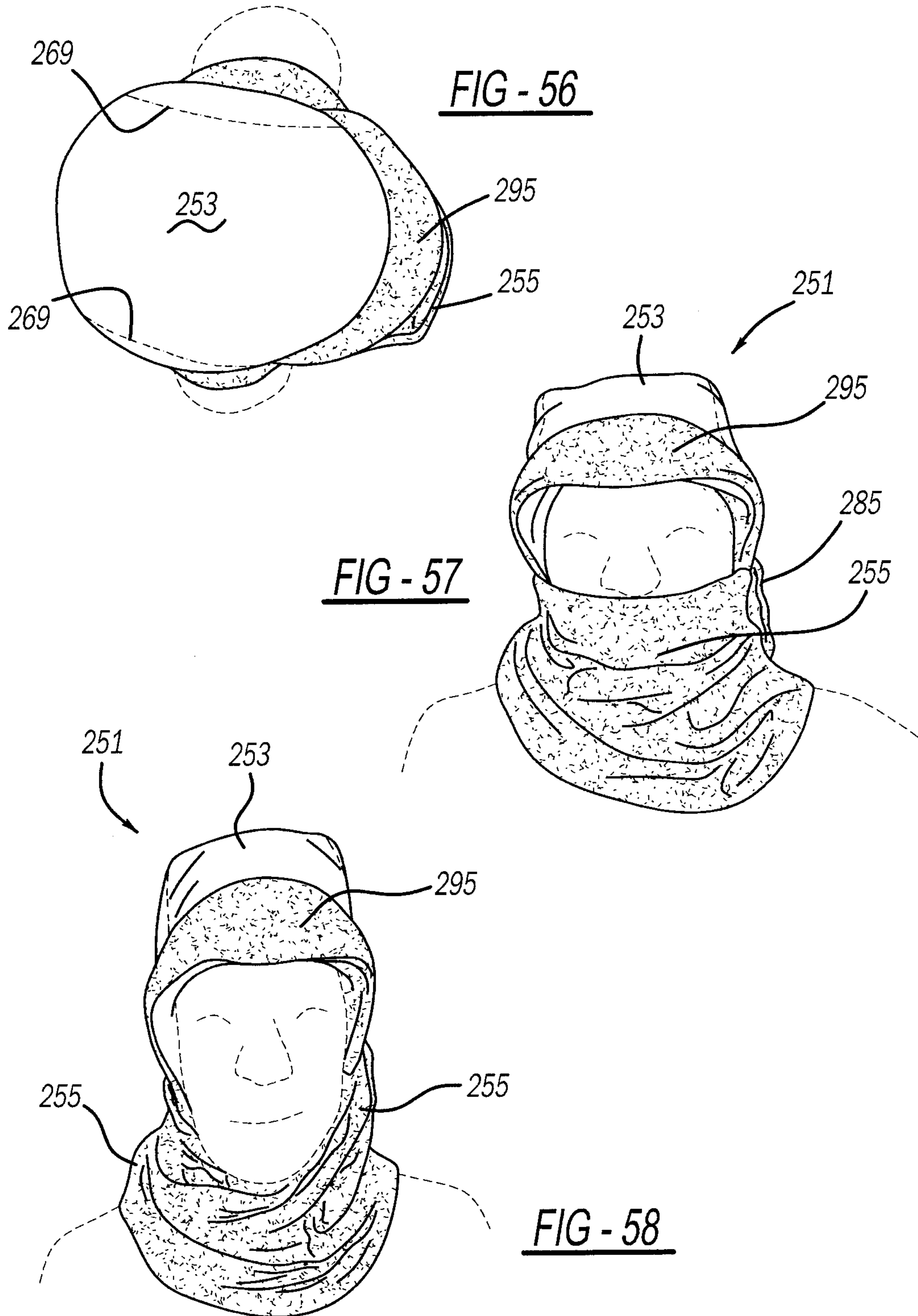


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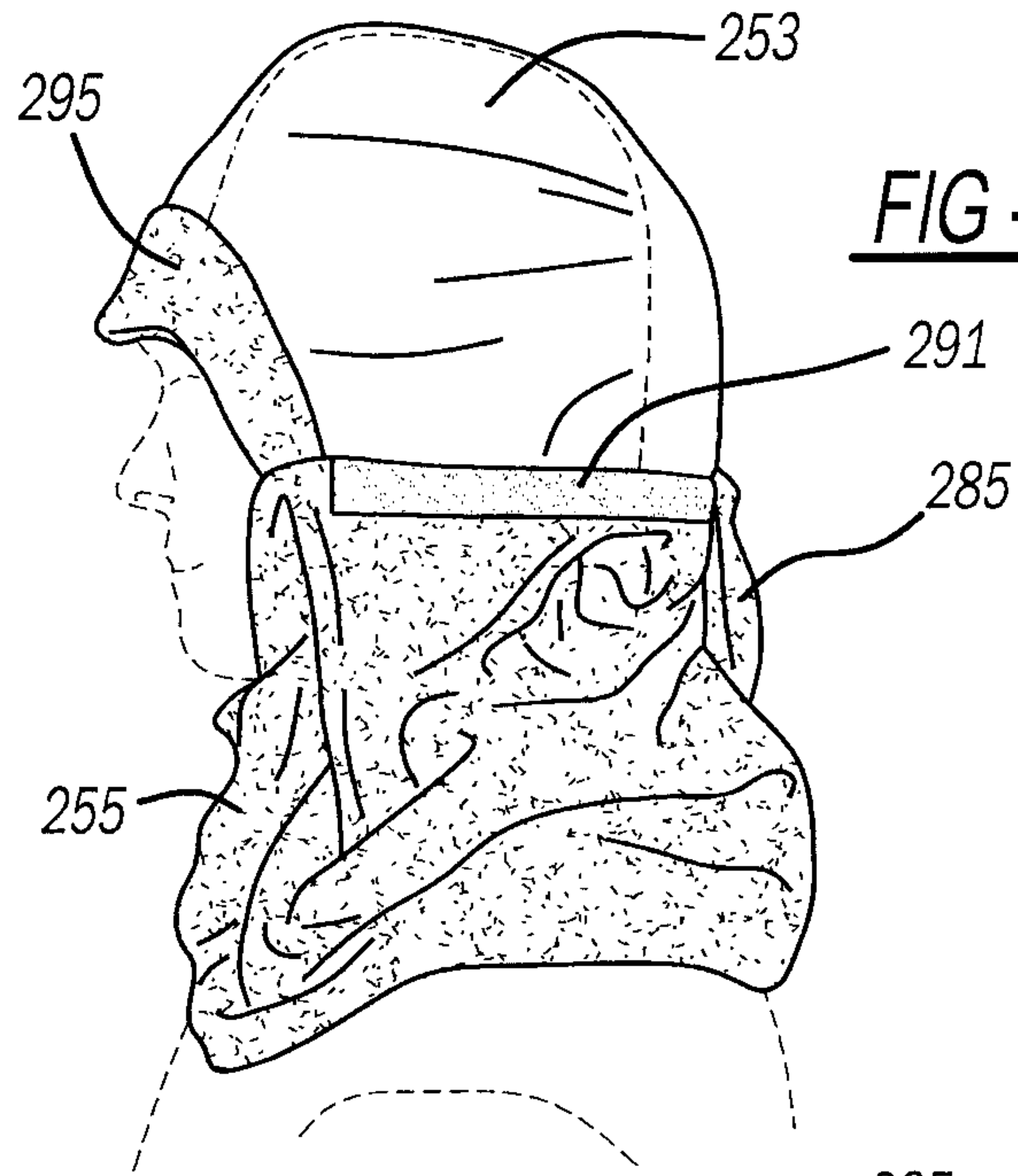


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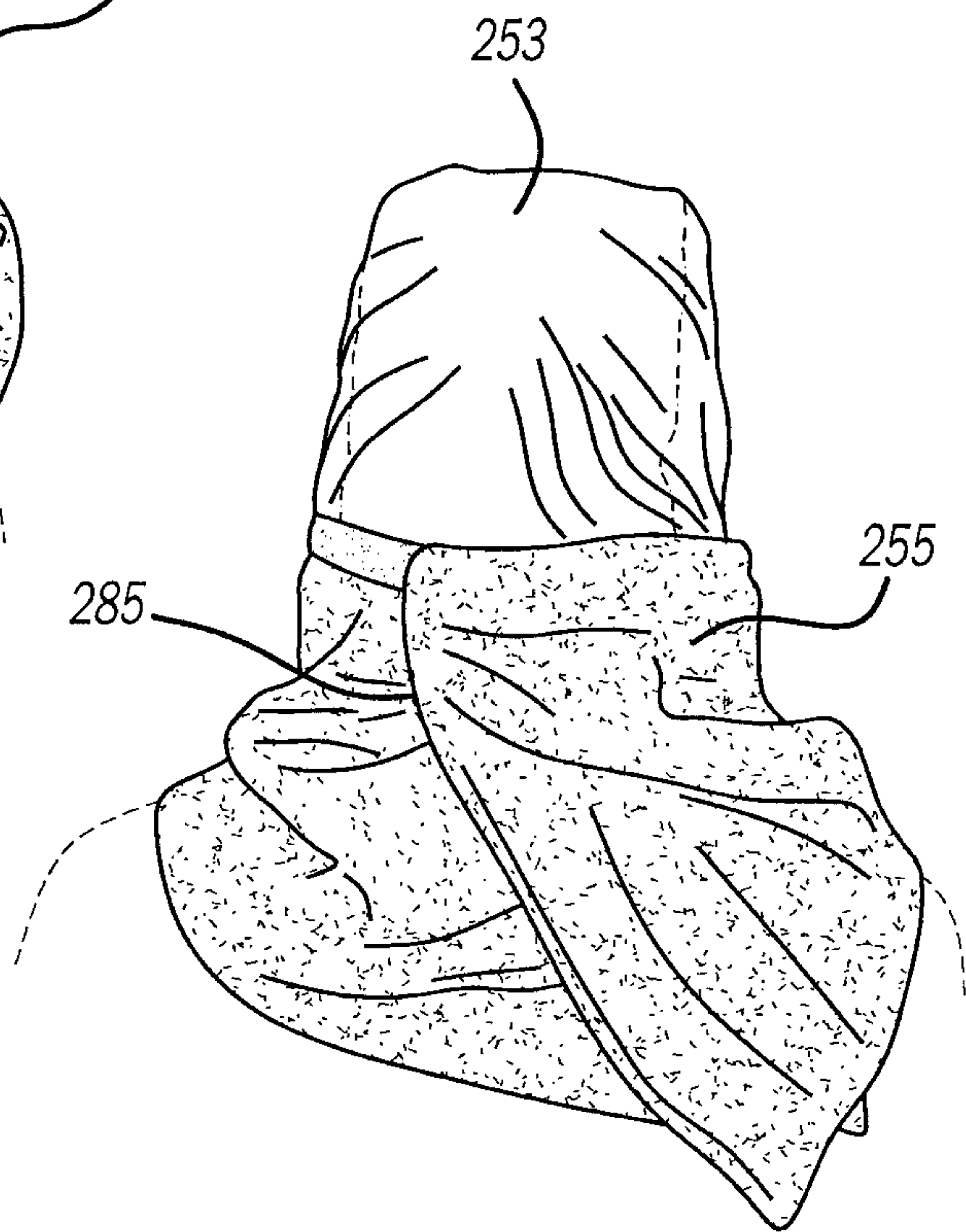


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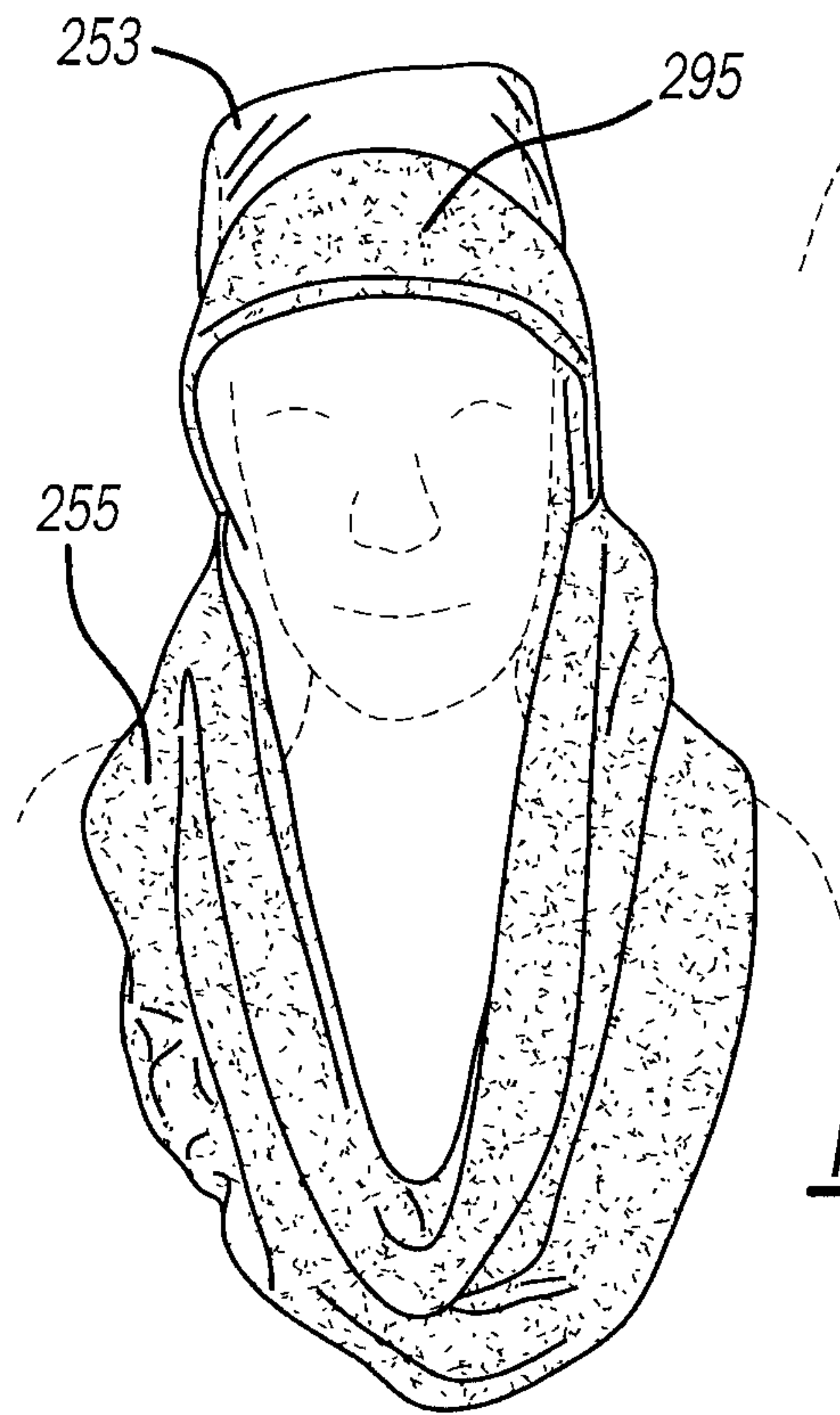


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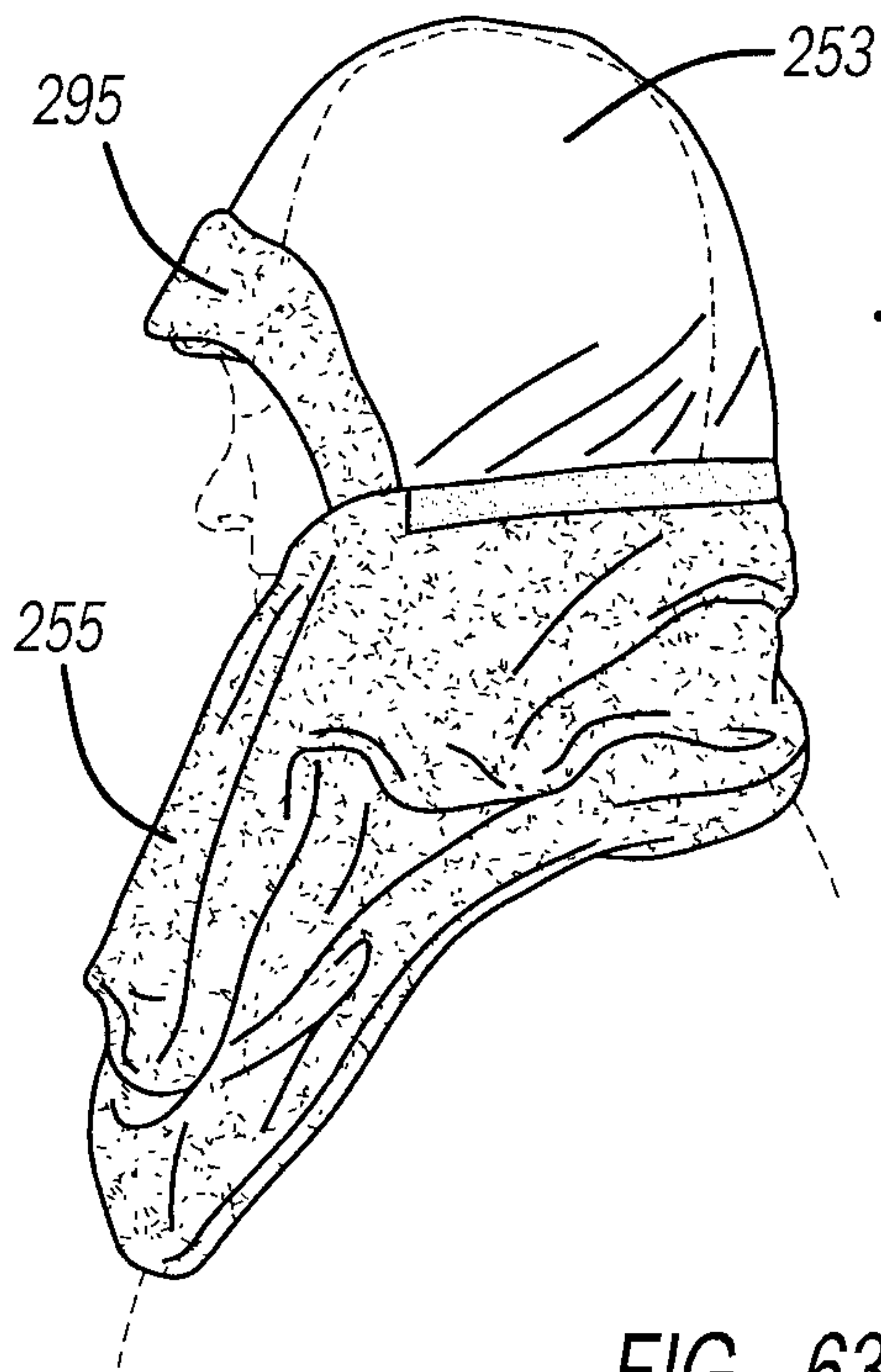


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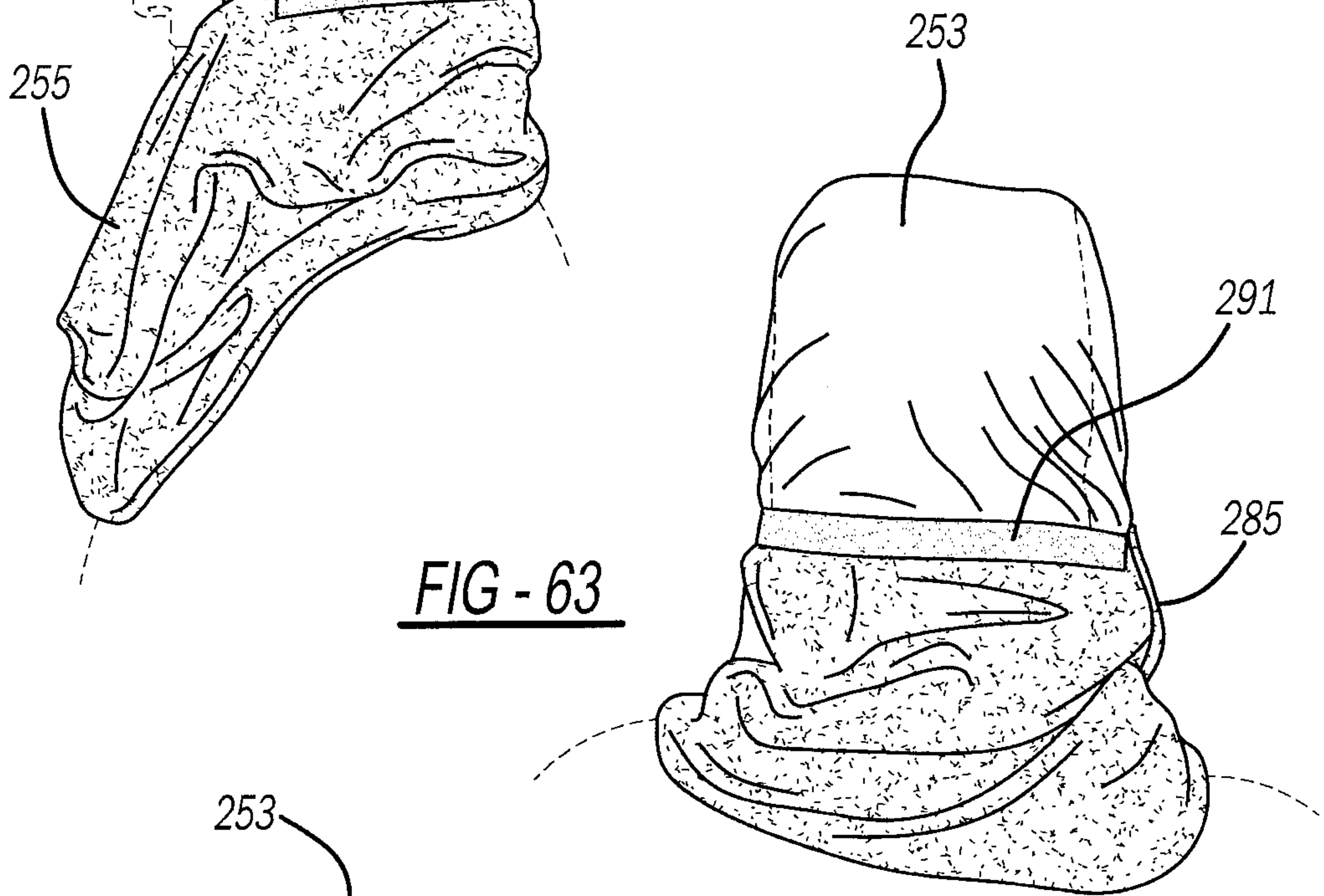


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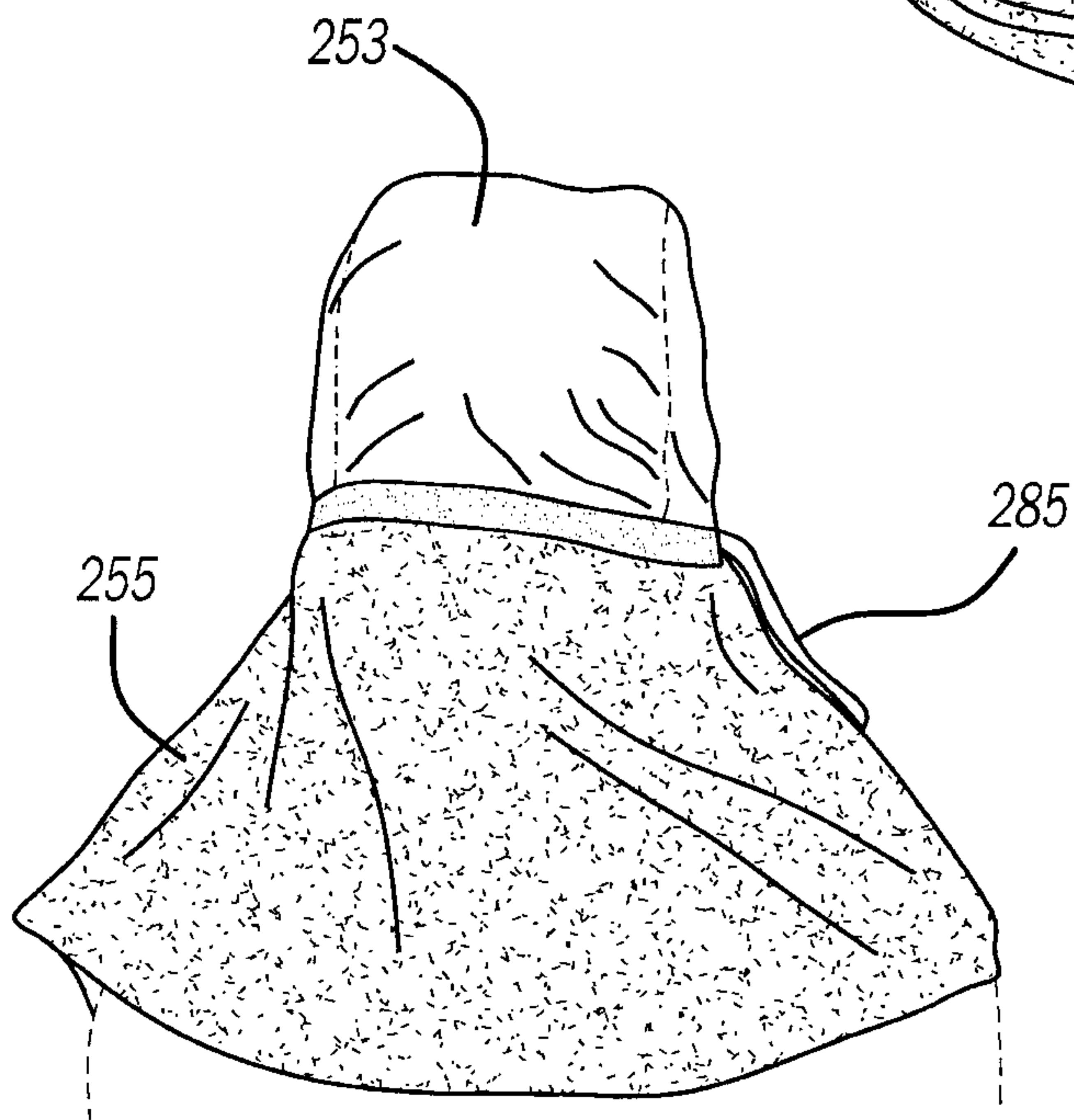
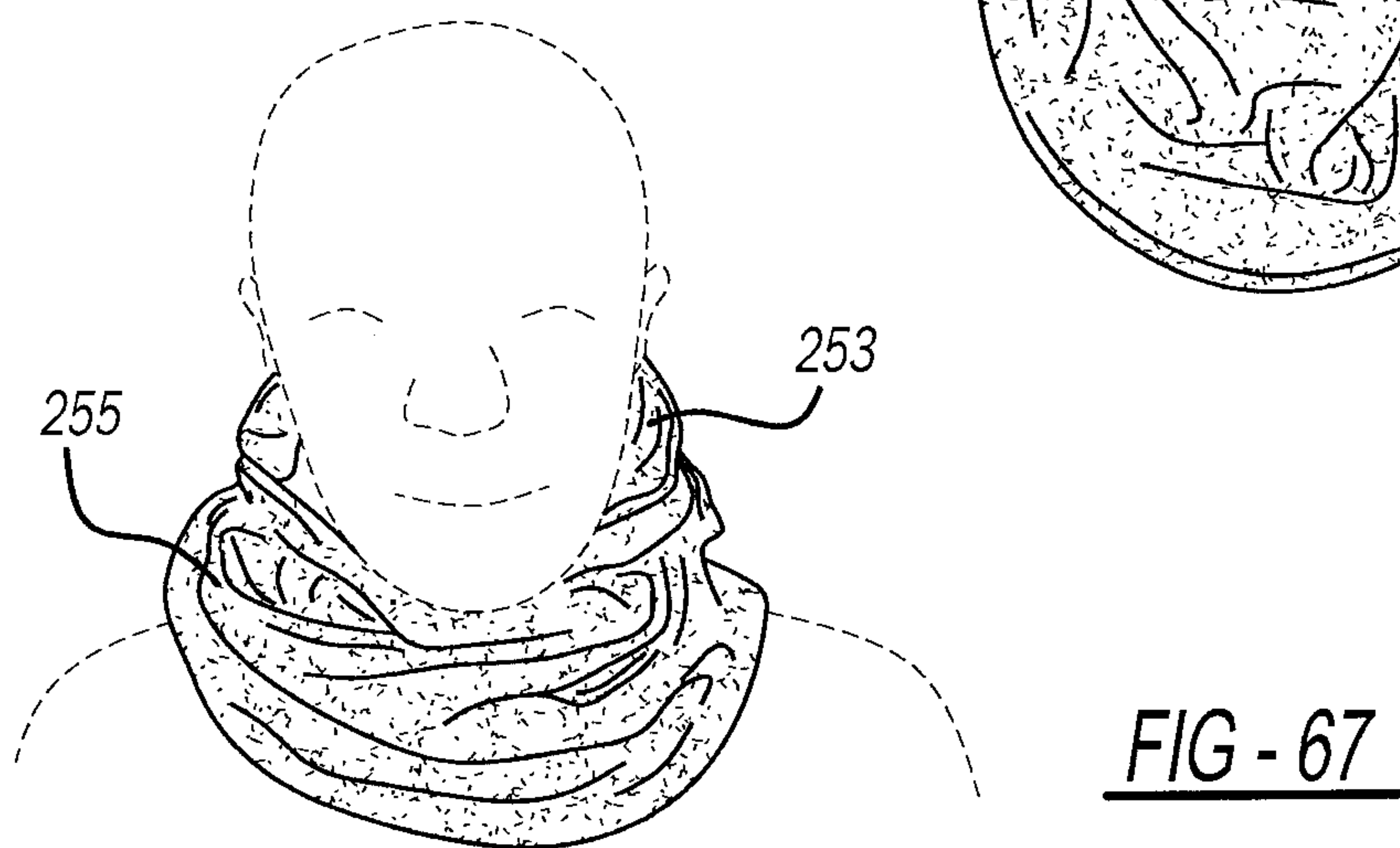
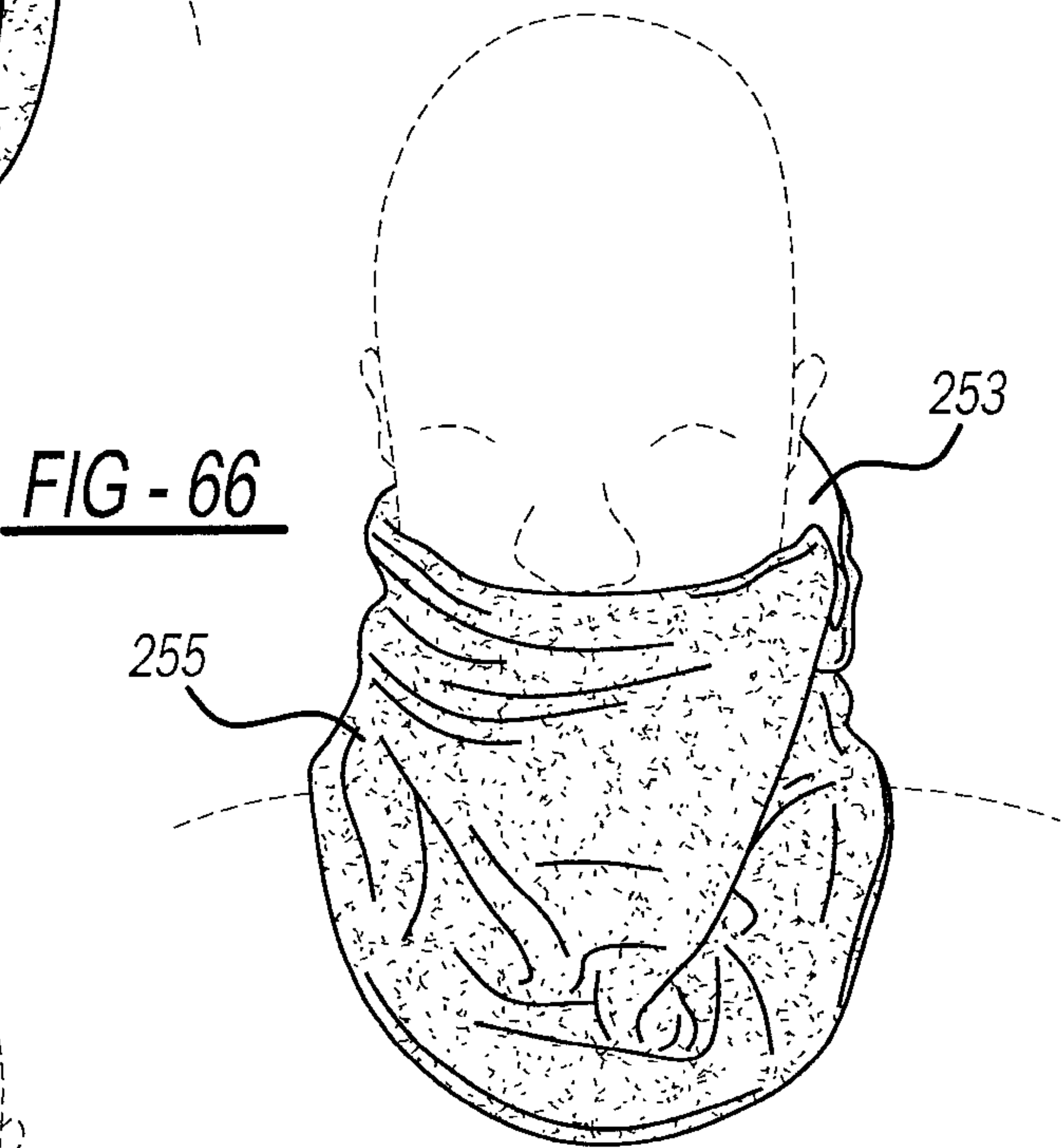
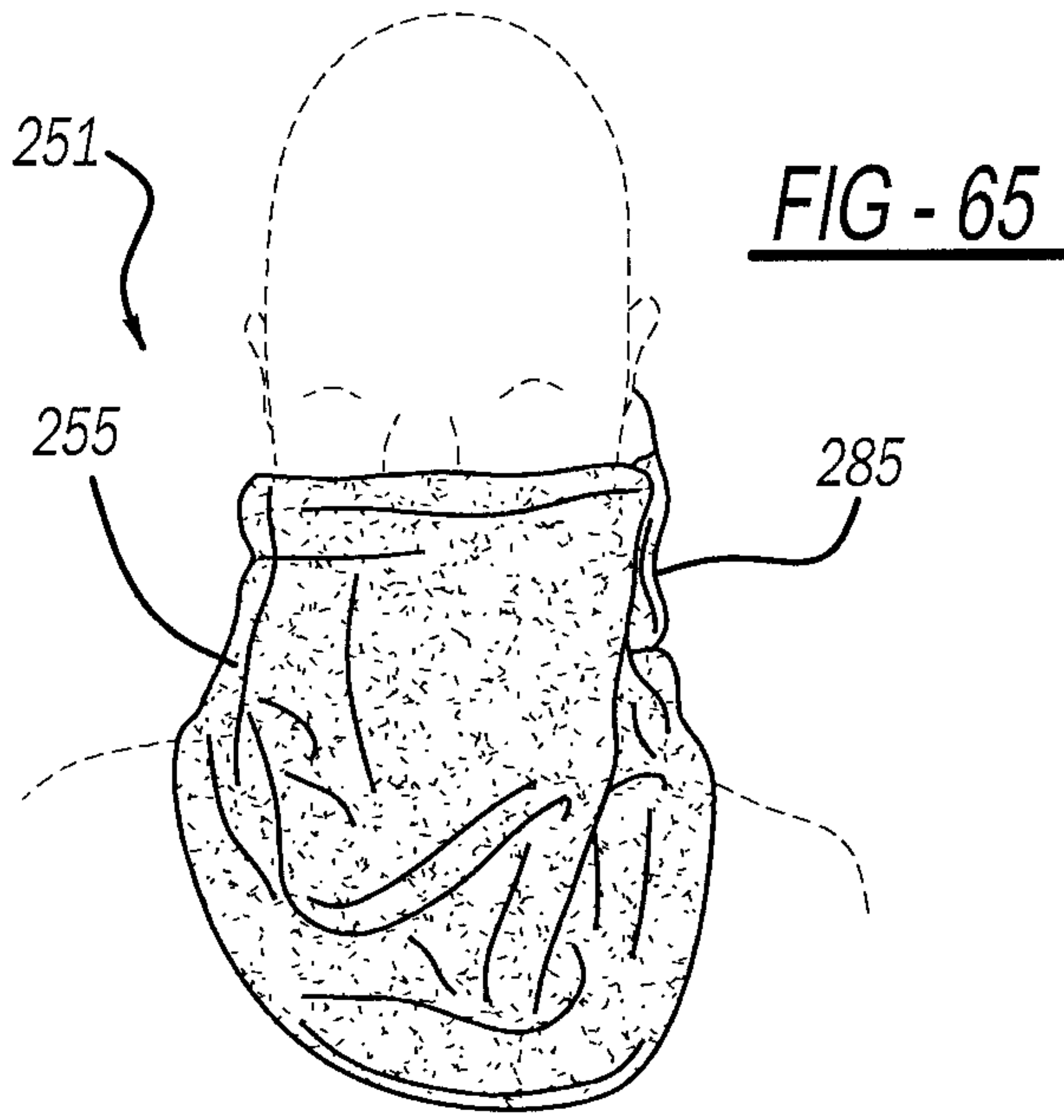


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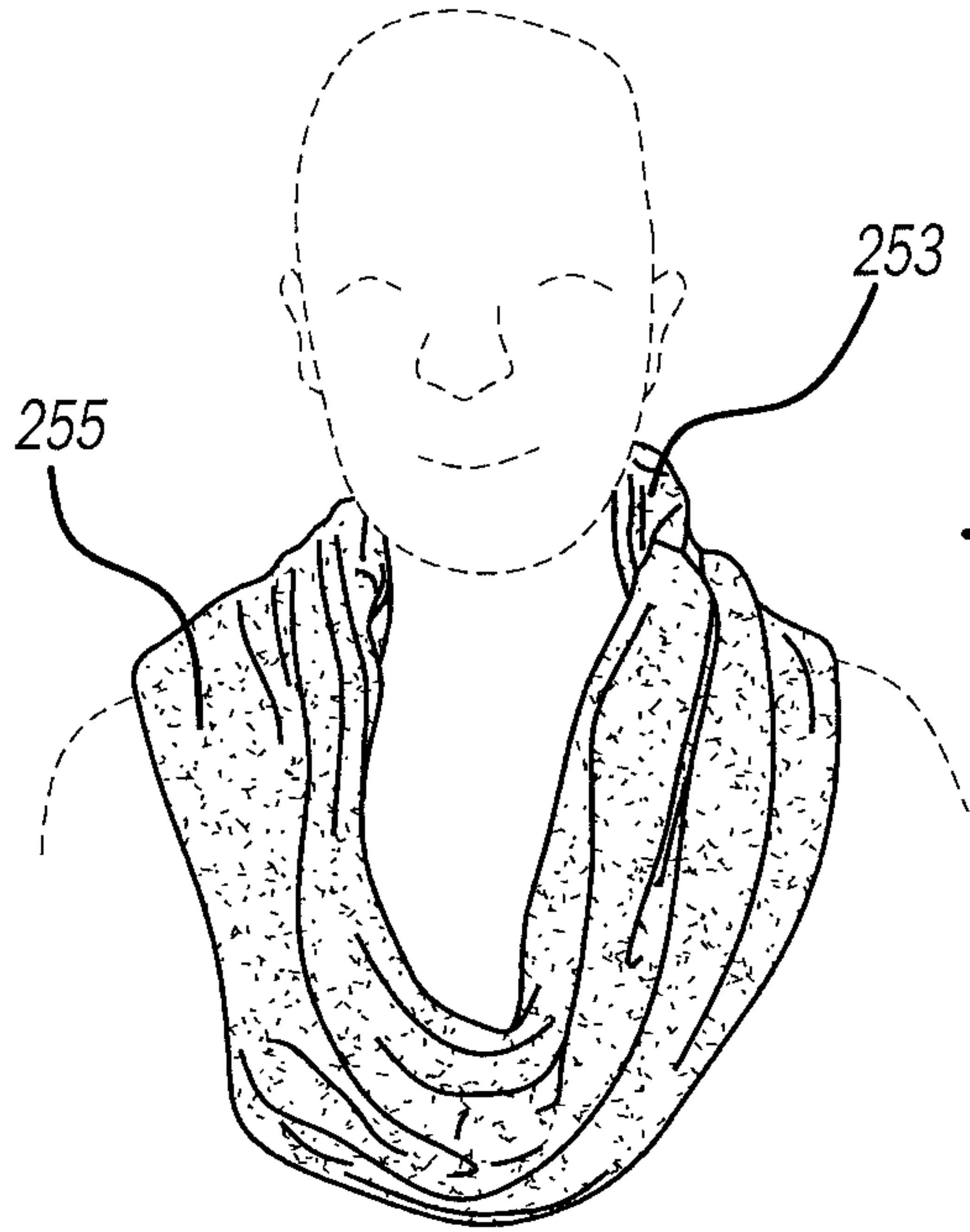


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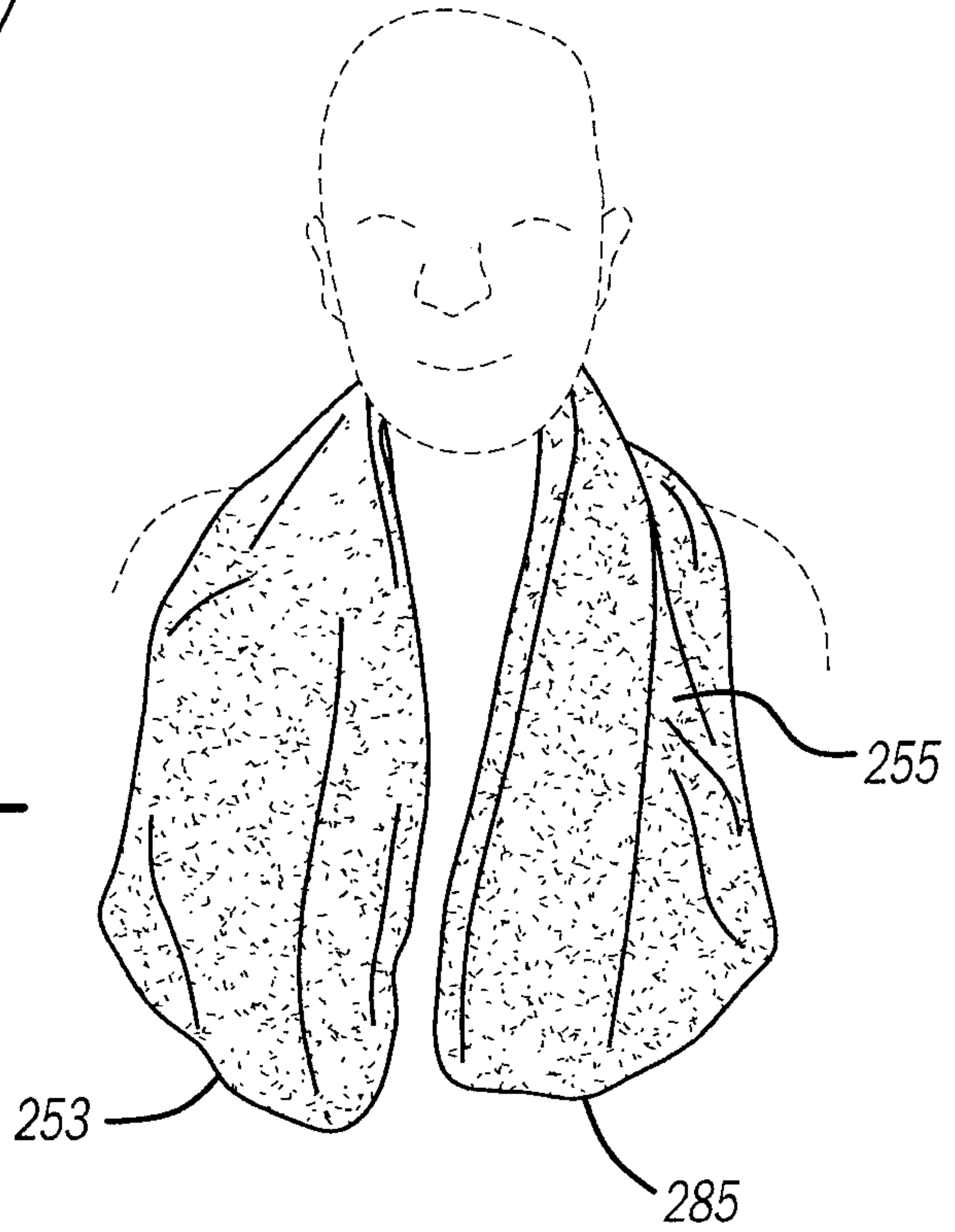


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