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[54]	REPLACEABLE CCD ARRAY AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLY	
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ABSTRACT

A CCD array assembly for use in a scanner, includes a CCD array optically aligned relative to a CCD array nest and affixed thereto to form a replaceable subassembly. The CCD array nest has an outwardly facing statically determinate or exactly constrained interface mounting surface. A carrier plate with the CCD array assembly removably attached thereto is optically aligned and affixed to a barrel frame and lens assembly. The subassembly is removably attachable to the carrier plate allowing replacement of a failed CCD array without additional alignment.

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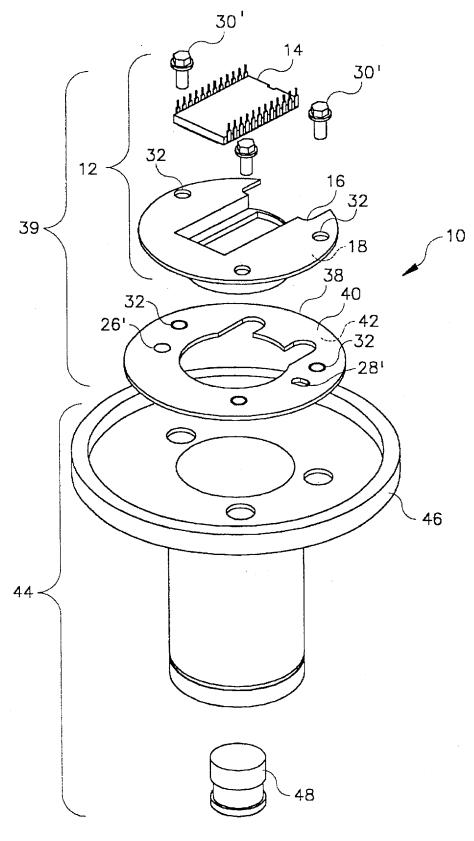
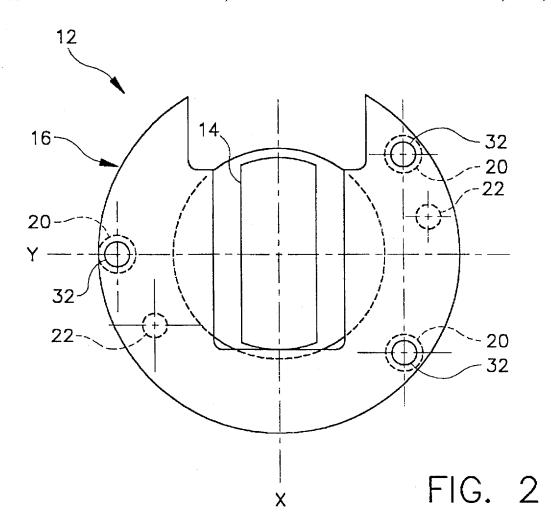


FIG. 1



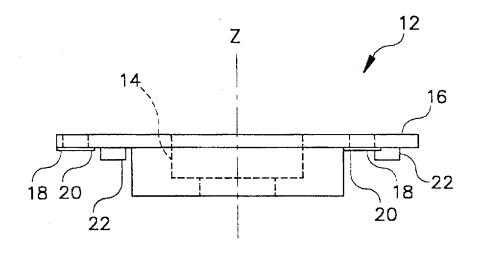


FIG. 4

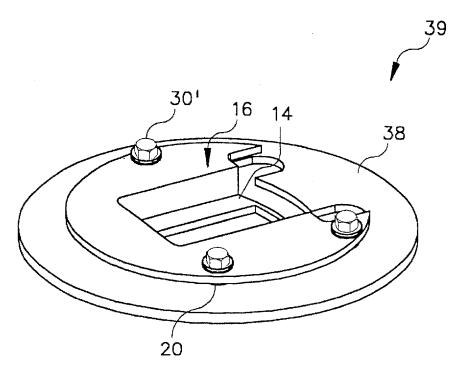


FIG. 5

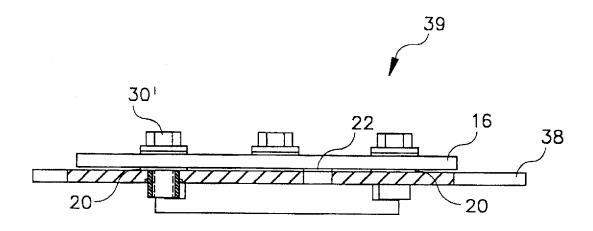


FIG. 6

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