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[54] **FRONT PANEL OF A PROTECTIVE VEST**

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[57] **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a front panel of a protective vest,  
as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view as seen from the front and left  
of a front panel of a protective vest showing my new design  
on a user;

FIG. 2 is a front elevational view thereof in a flattened  
condition not on the user;

FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof as shown in FIG.  
2 with the broken line illustrated attachment portions  
removed;

FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view thereof taken along line  
5—5 of FIG. 3 to show the layers of the protective vest that  
provide the unique appearance;

FIG. 6 is an enlarged cross-sectional view thereof of the area  
6—6 shown in FIG. 5; and,

FIG. 7 is an enlarged perspective view of the area 7—7  
shown in FIG. 3.

The broken line illustration in the drawing disclosure is for  
illustrative purposes and forms no part of the claimed  
design.

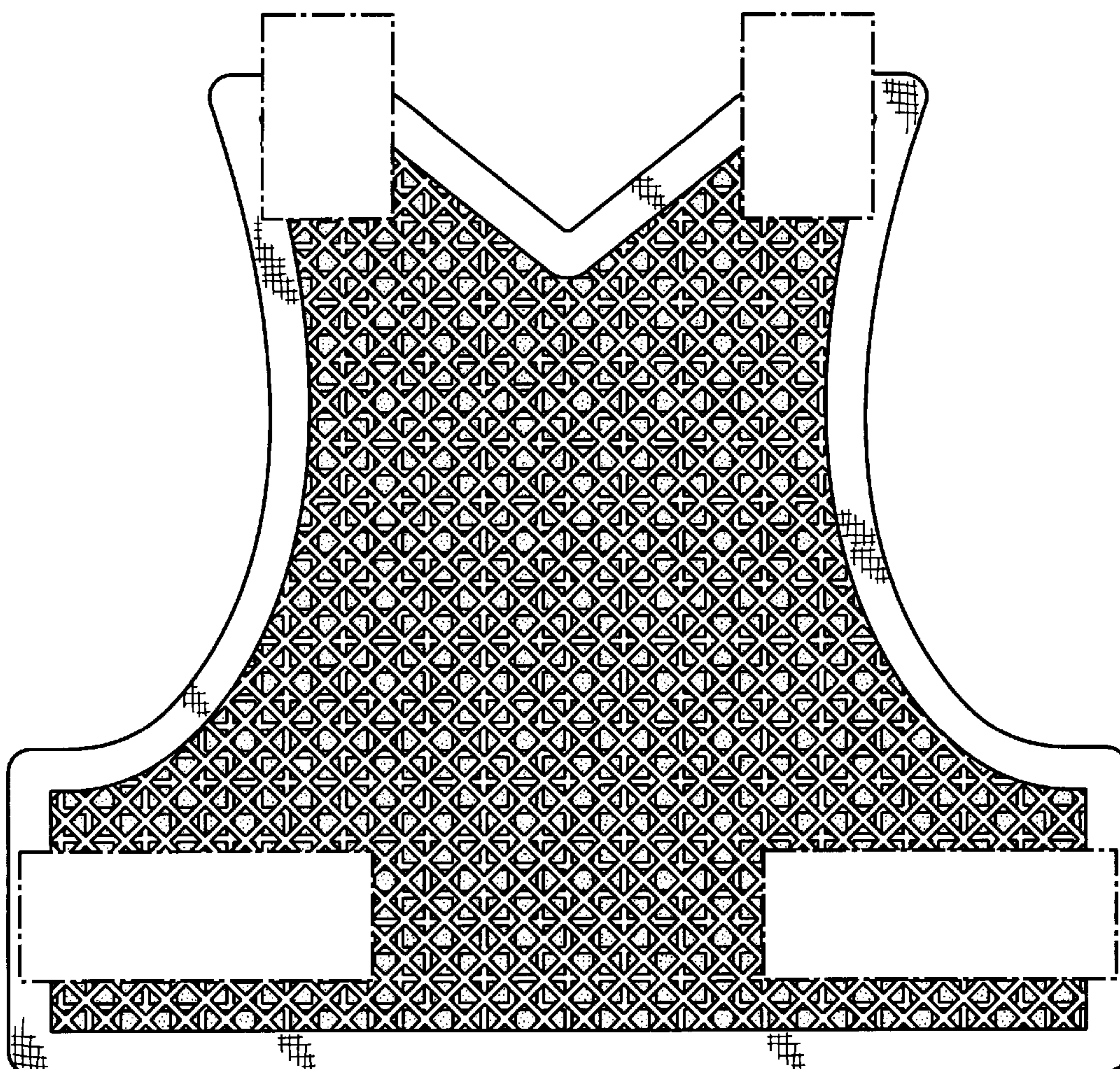
The fragmentary criss-cross pattern shown in the drawing is  
understood to represent fabric and is repeated uniformly  
throughout the areas shown.

**1 Claim, 4 Drawing Sheets**

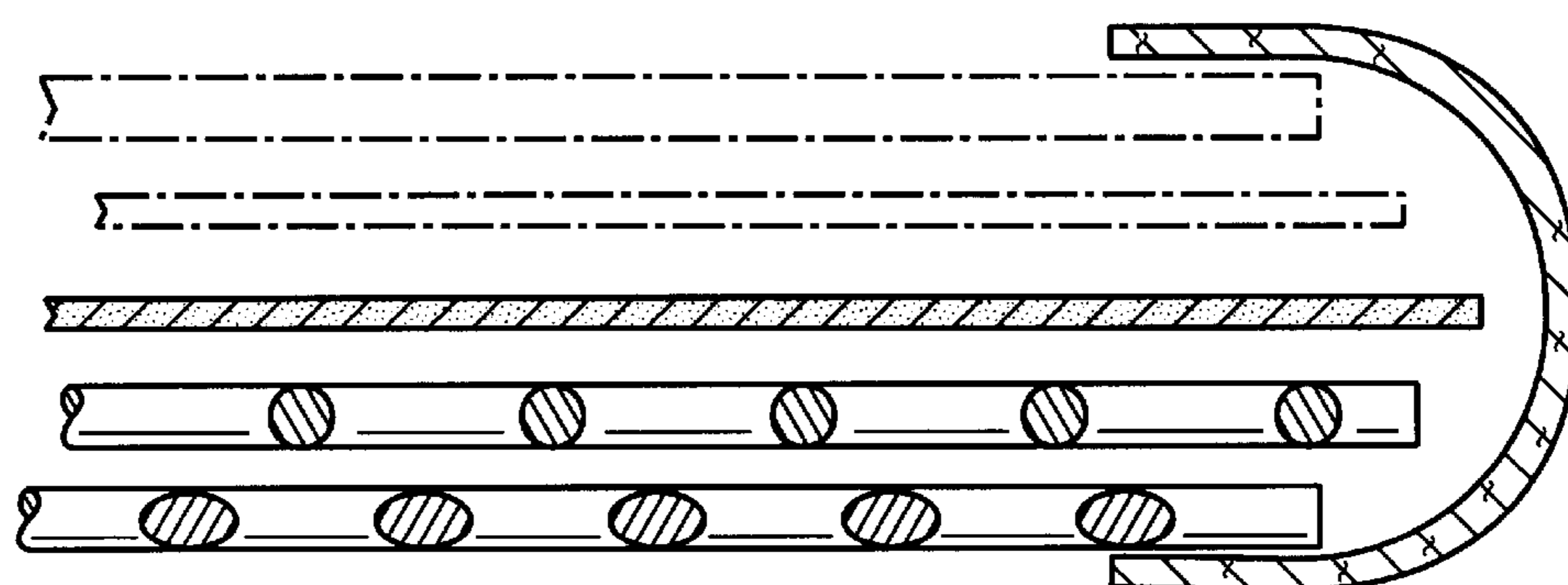




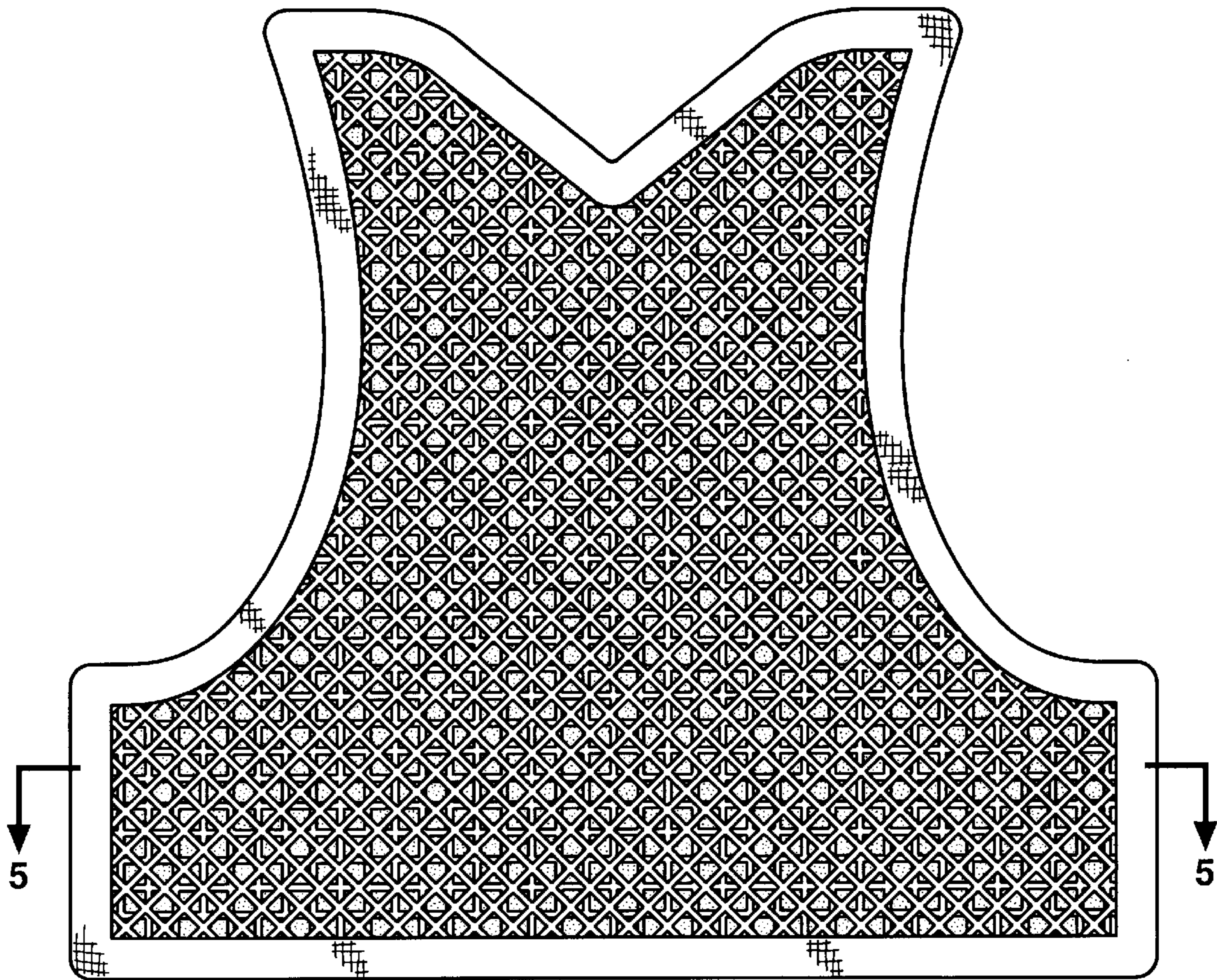
**FIG. 1**



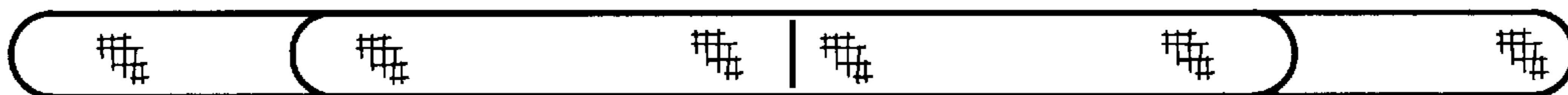
**FIG.\_2**



**FIG.\_6**



**FIG.\_3**



**FIG.\_4**

