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The ornamental design for a vehicle rear lift gate shown, and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a vehicle rear lift gate;

FIG. 2 is a front elevational view of the vehicle rear lift gate;

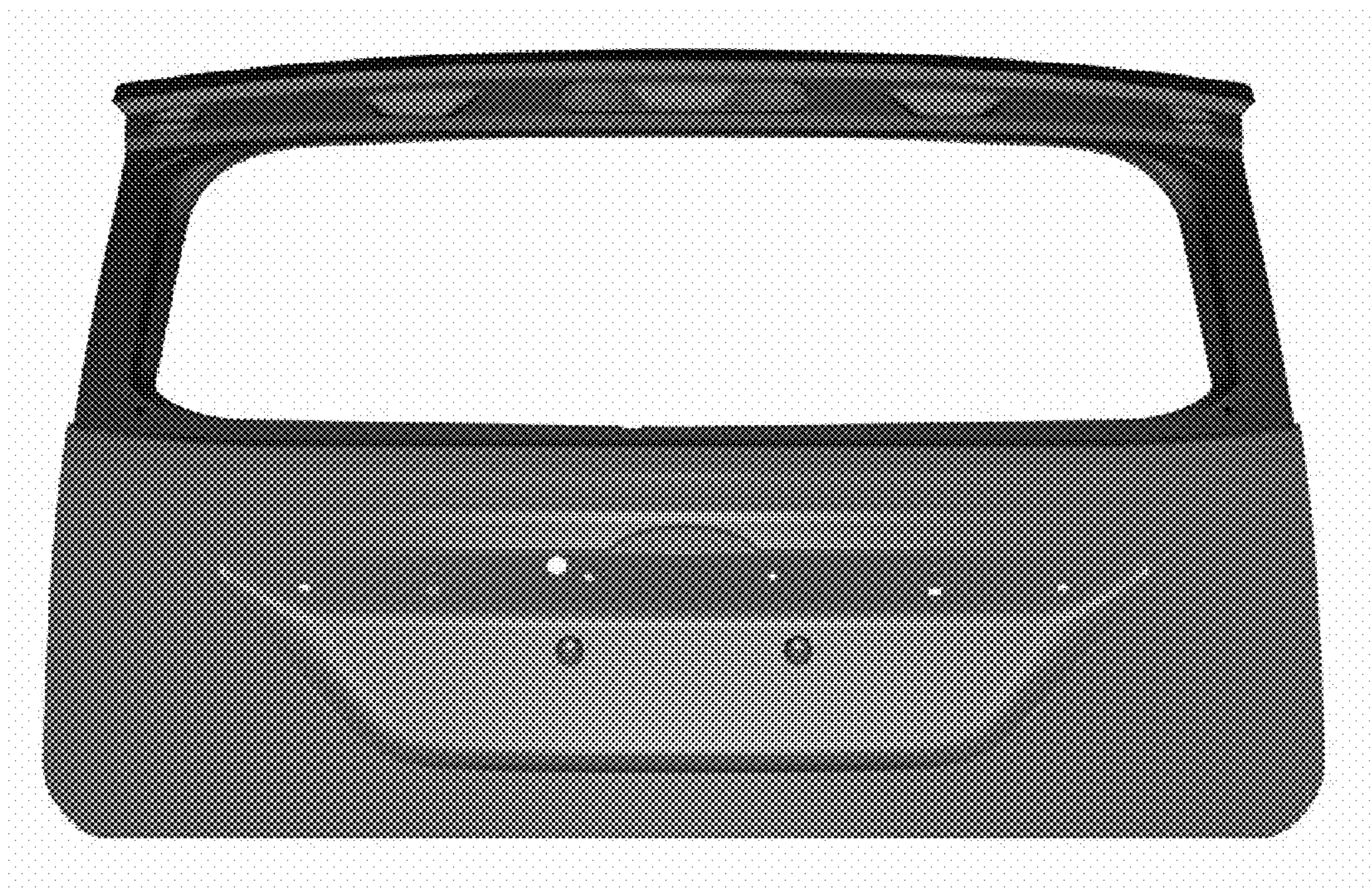
FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view of the vehicle rear lift gate;

FIG. 4 is a top plan view of the vehicle rear lift gate, enlarged to show detail;

FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view of the vehicle rear lift gate, enlarged to show detail; and,

FIG. 6 is a left side elevational view of the vehicle rear lift gate (the right side elevational view being a mirror of the left and is not illustrated).

The vehicle rear lift gate is styled independently of adjacent vehicle panels. To the extent that any feature lines are illustrated, they are intended to illustrate the crest and valley of the feature and are not necessarily sharp bends in the part. Shading is used to illustrate the curvature of the part and not color. Areas shown in or bounded by broken lines are not claimed. Any functional features of the vehicle rear lift gate are not claimed. Views are orthogonal projections unless otherwise noted. The various views are not necessarily to scale in order to better illustrate the design.

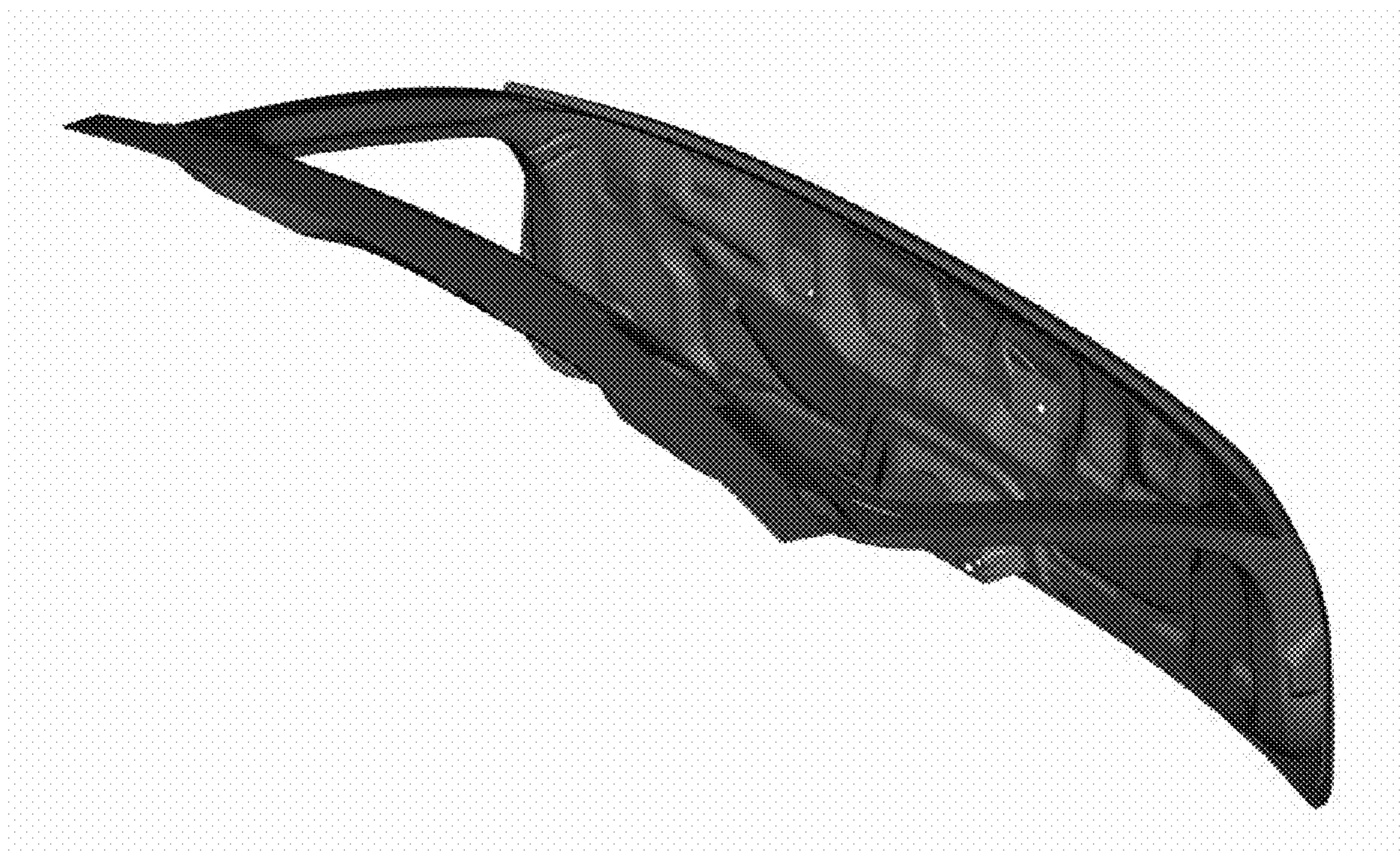
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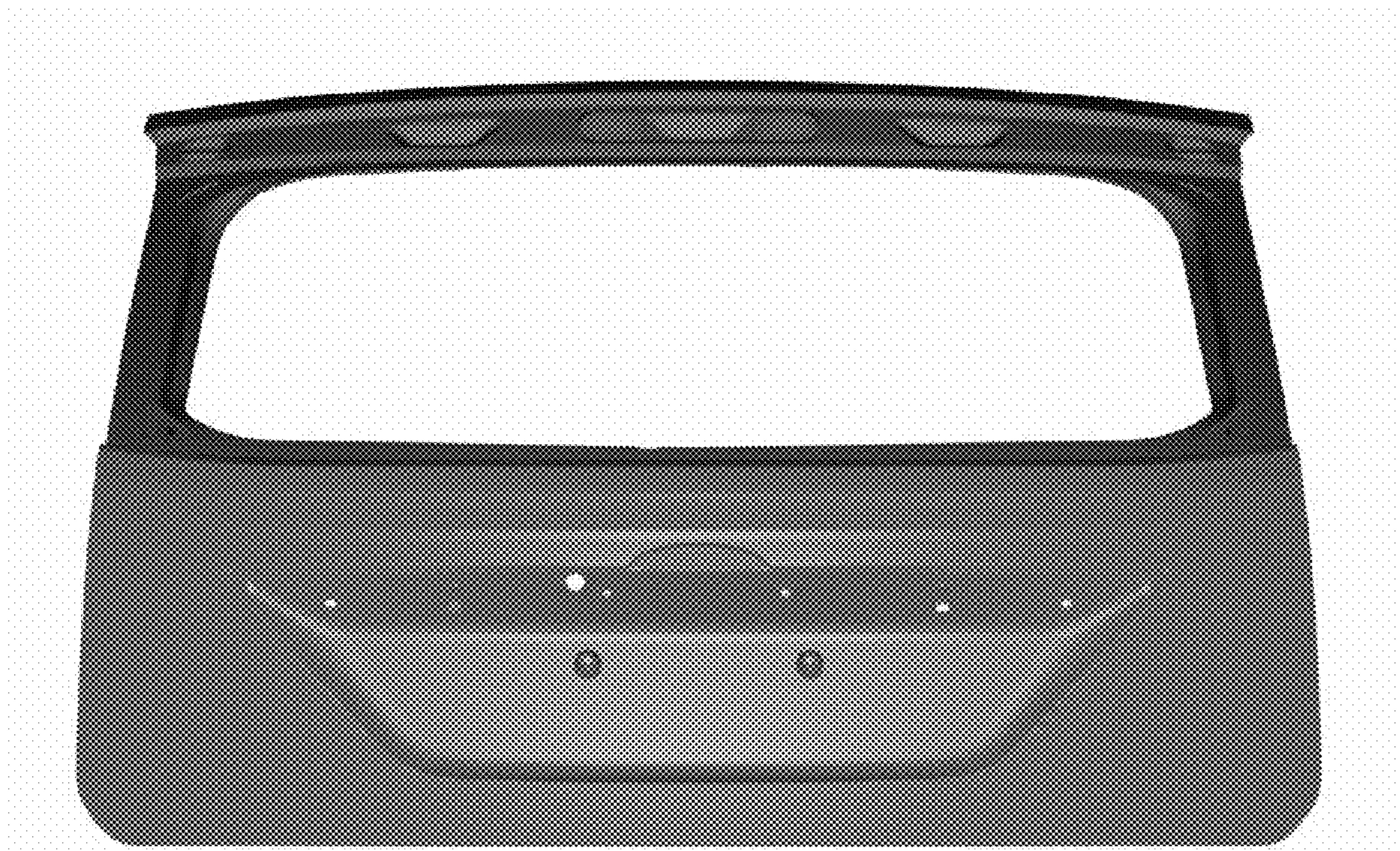
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**Fig 1**



**Fig 2**



**Fig 3**



**Fig 4**



**Fig 5**



**Fig 6**