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(54) **ARC FUSION SLICING SYSTEM (OR  
SPLICER OR SPLICING EQUIPMENT) FOR  
OPTICAL FIBERS**

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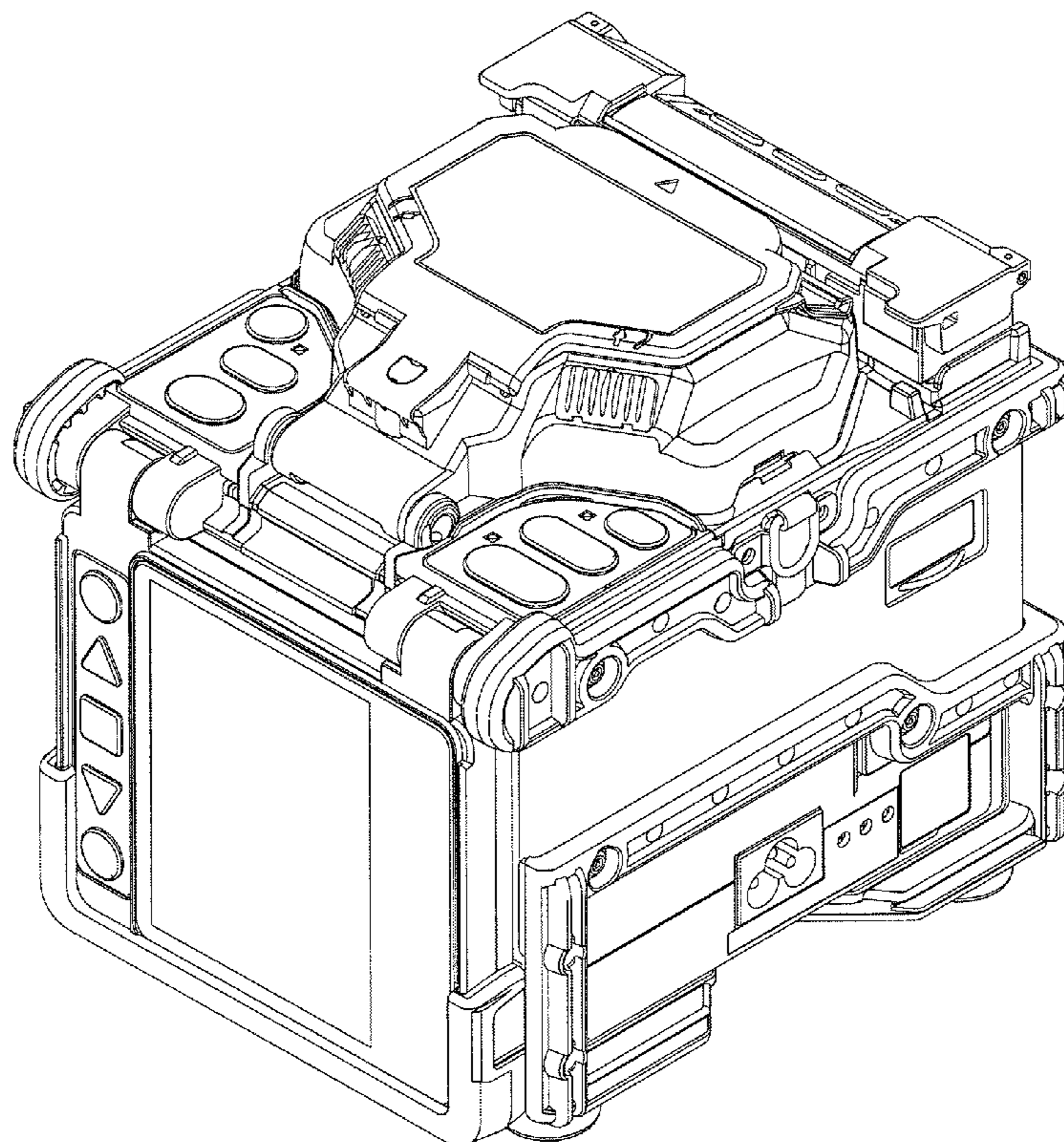


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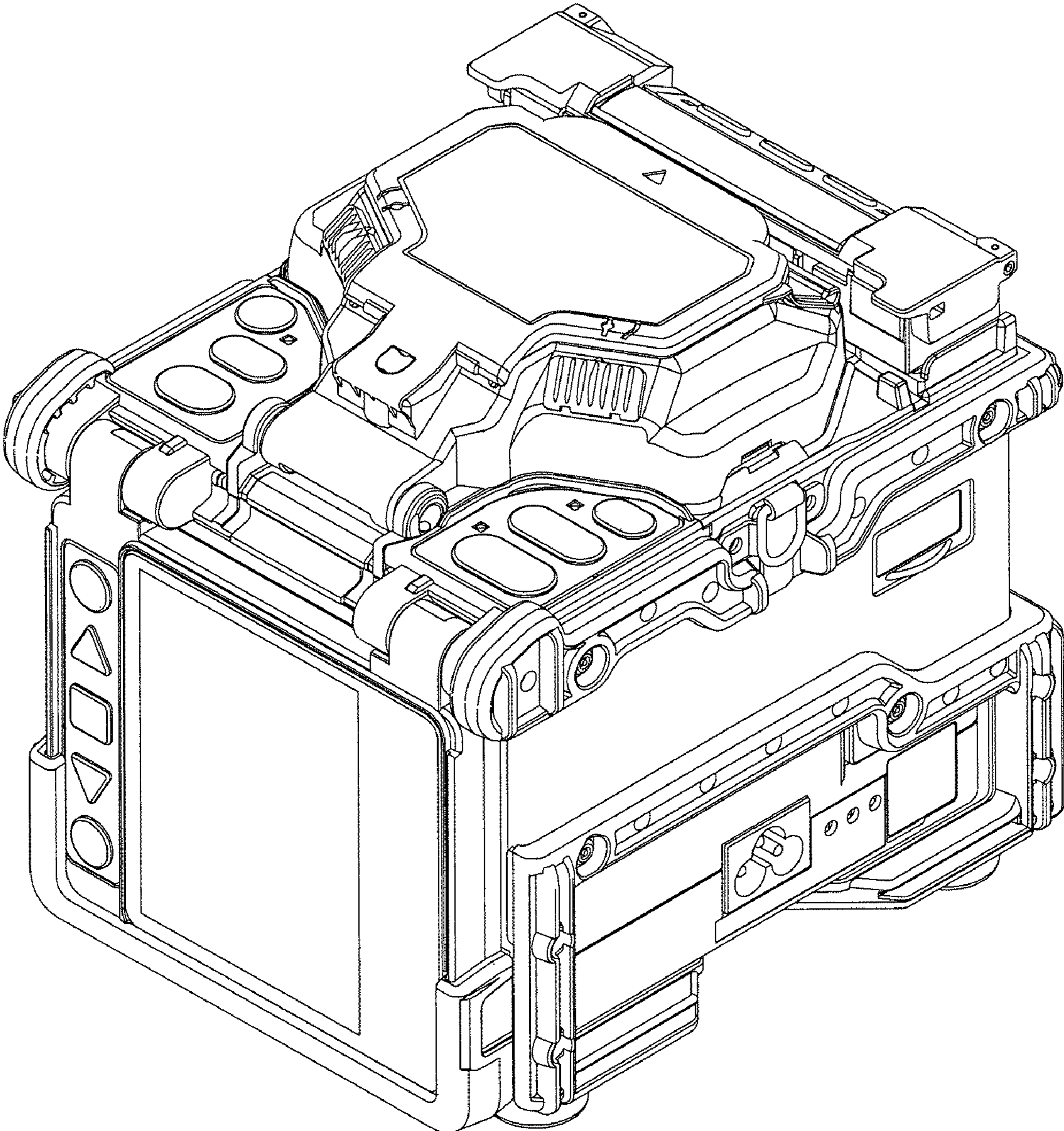


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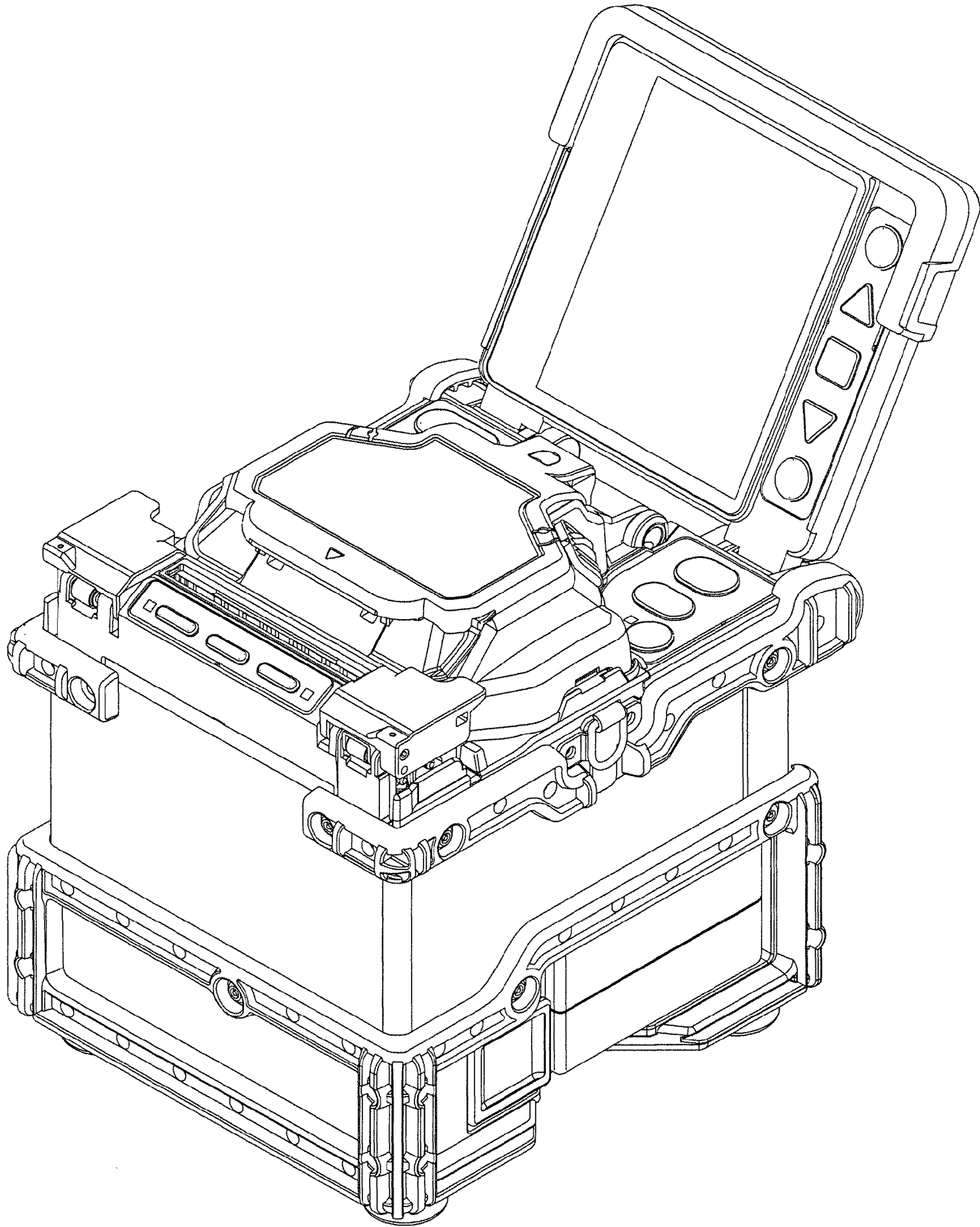


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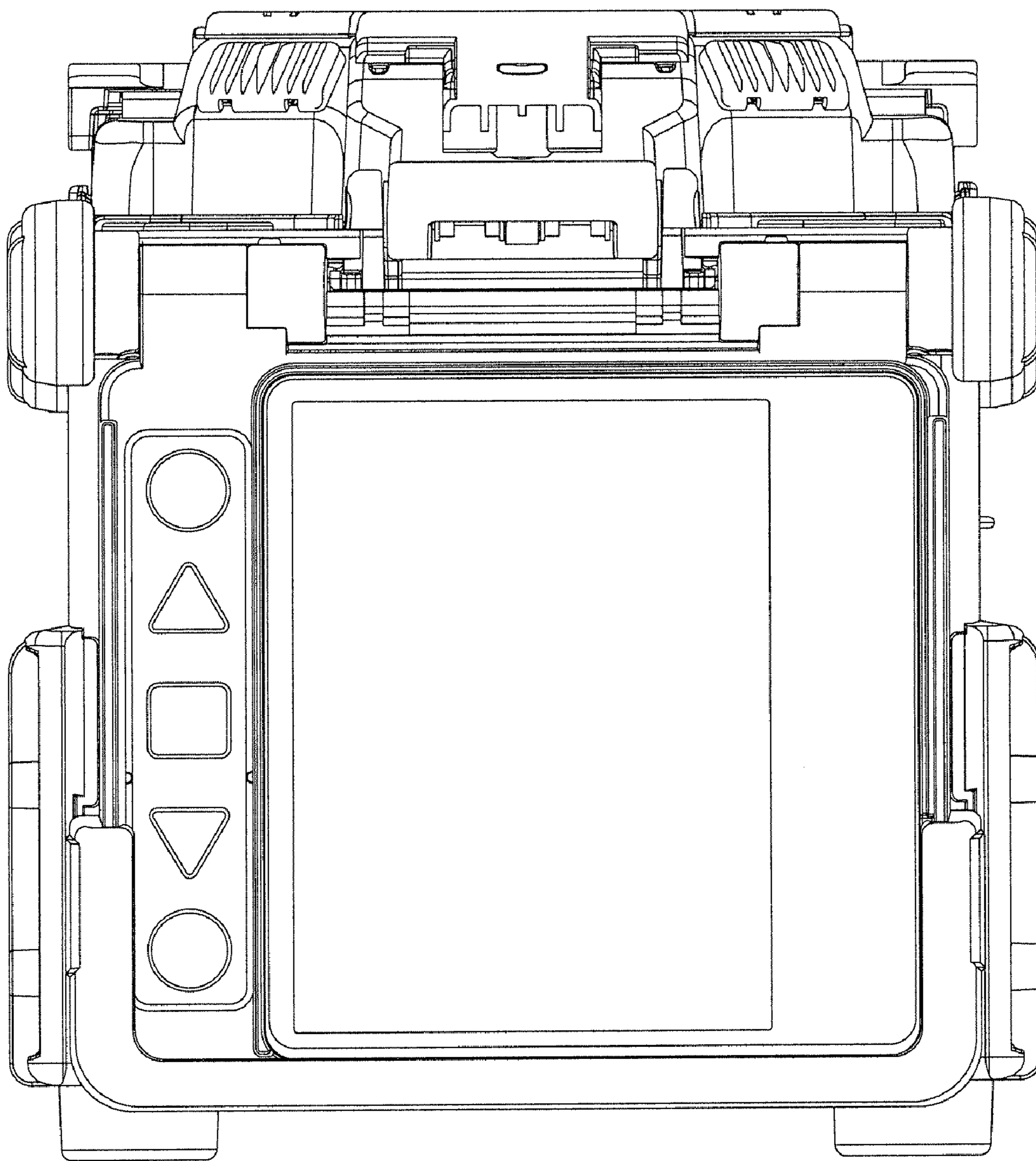


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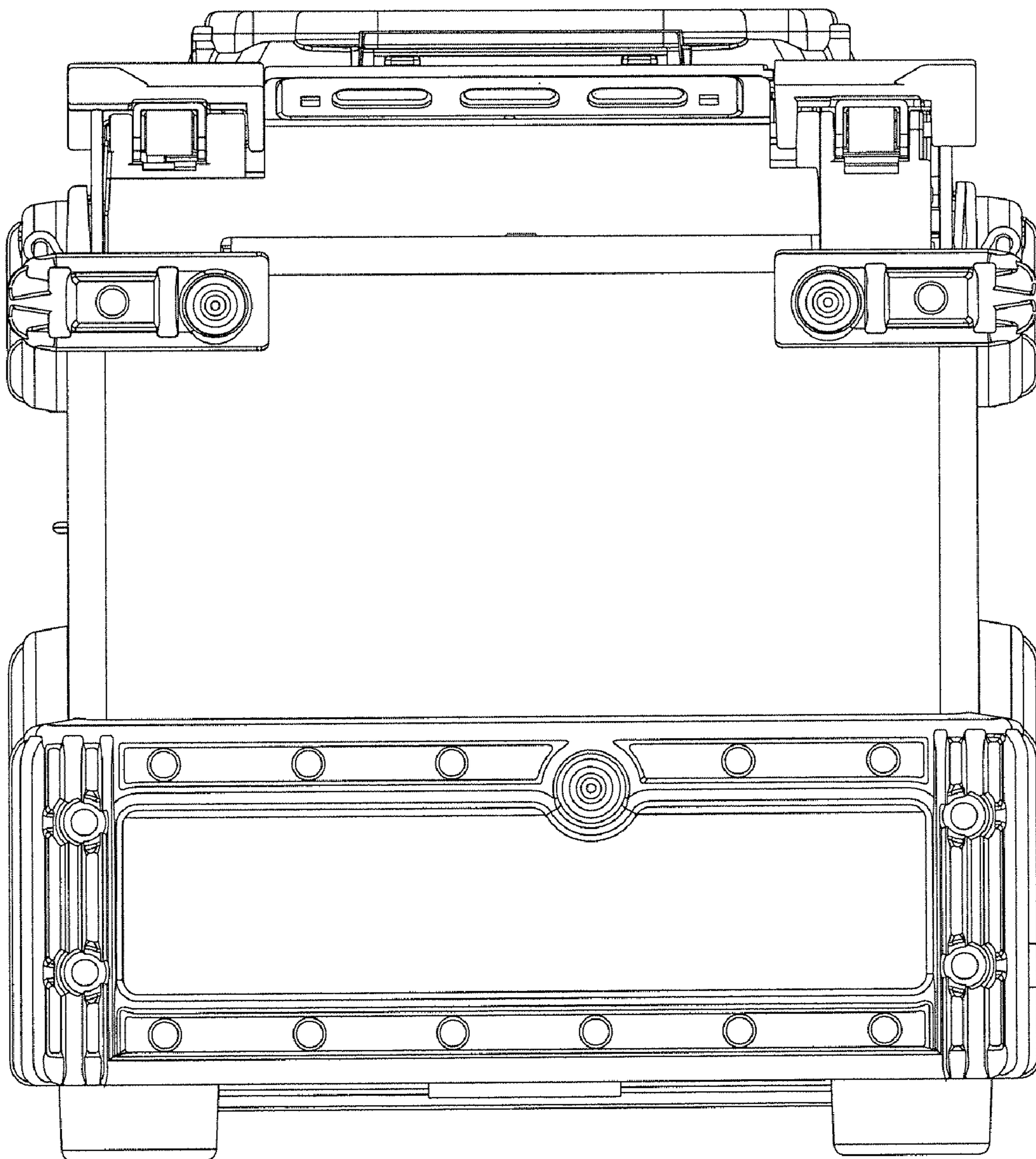


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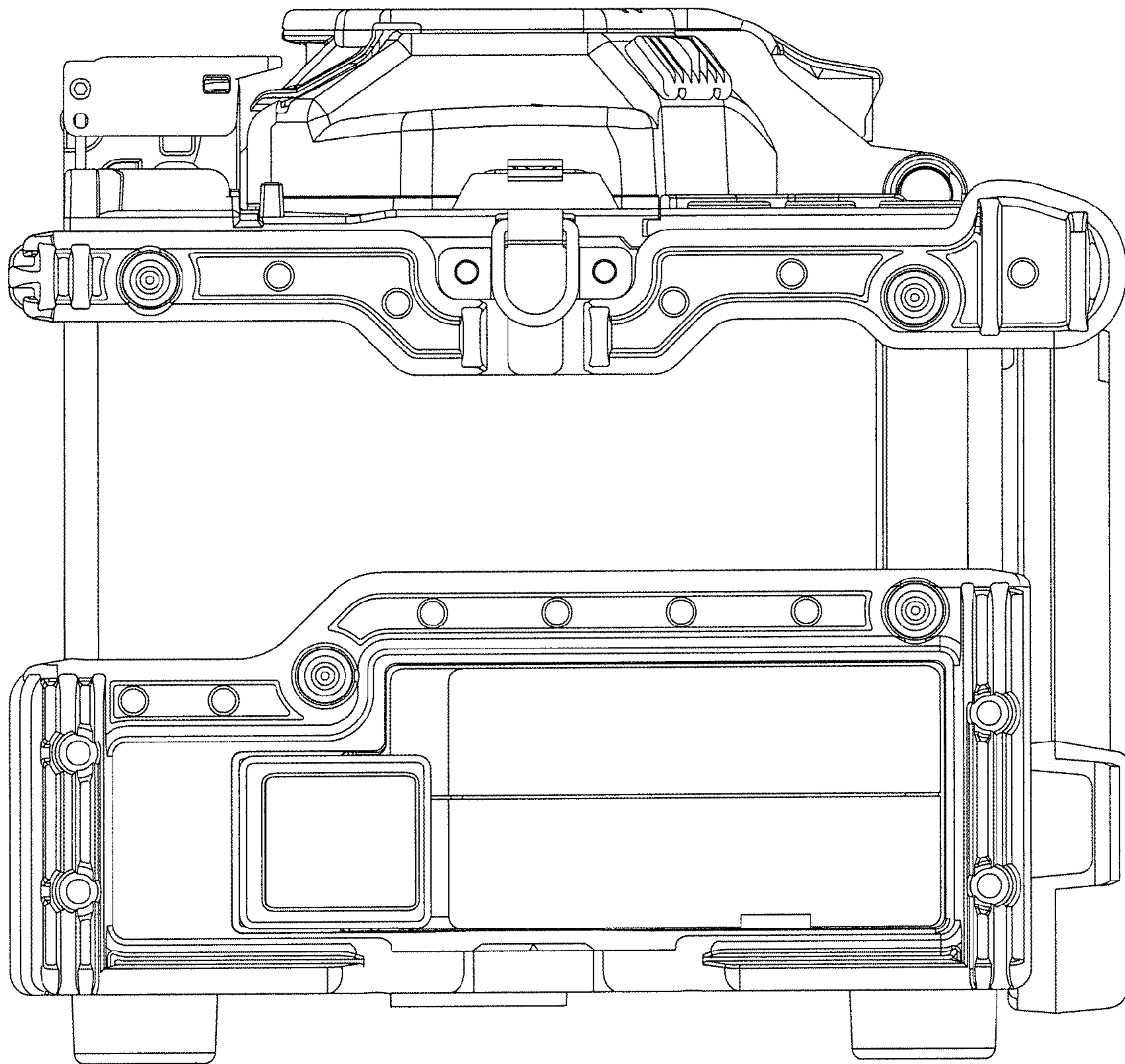


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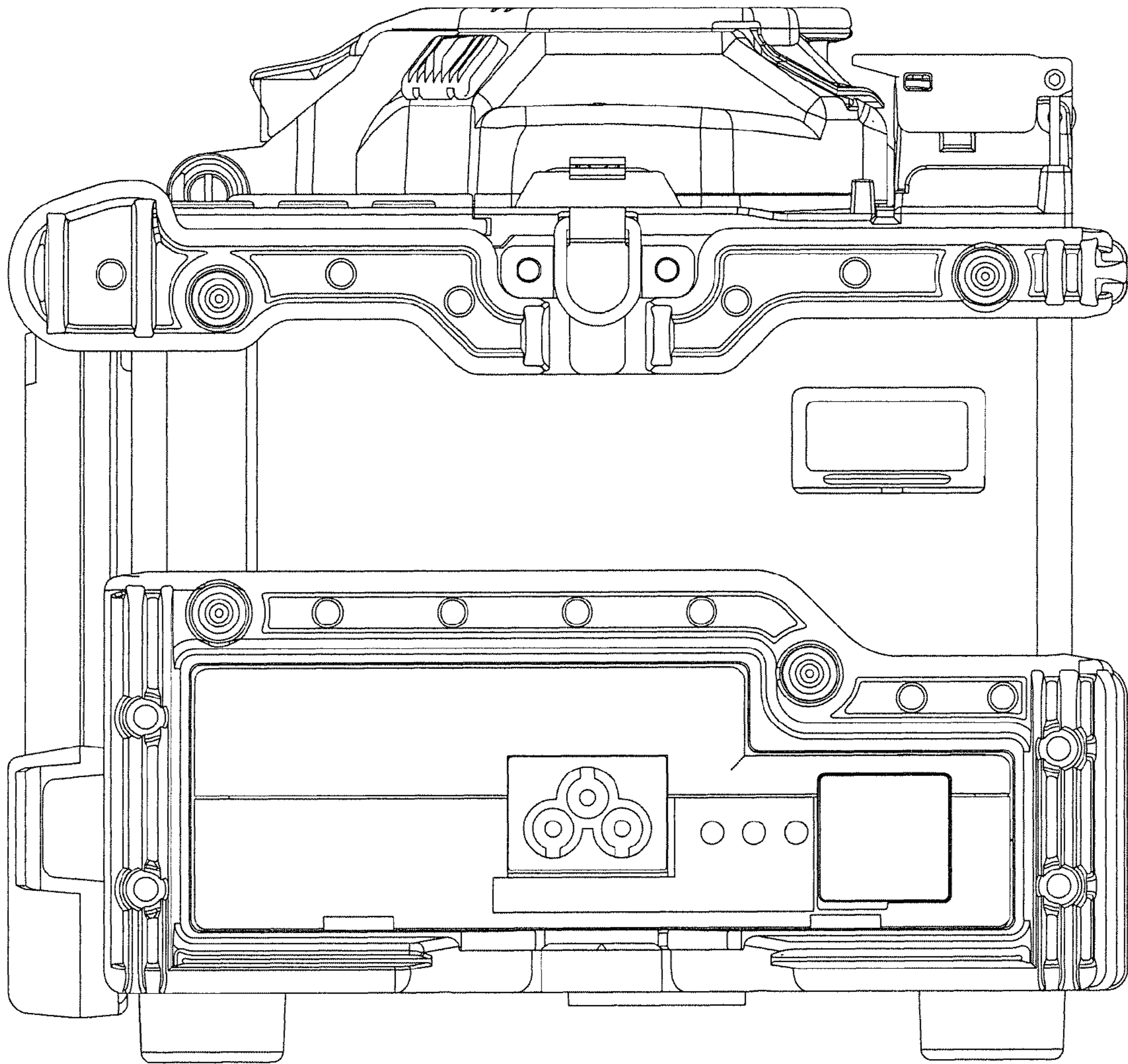


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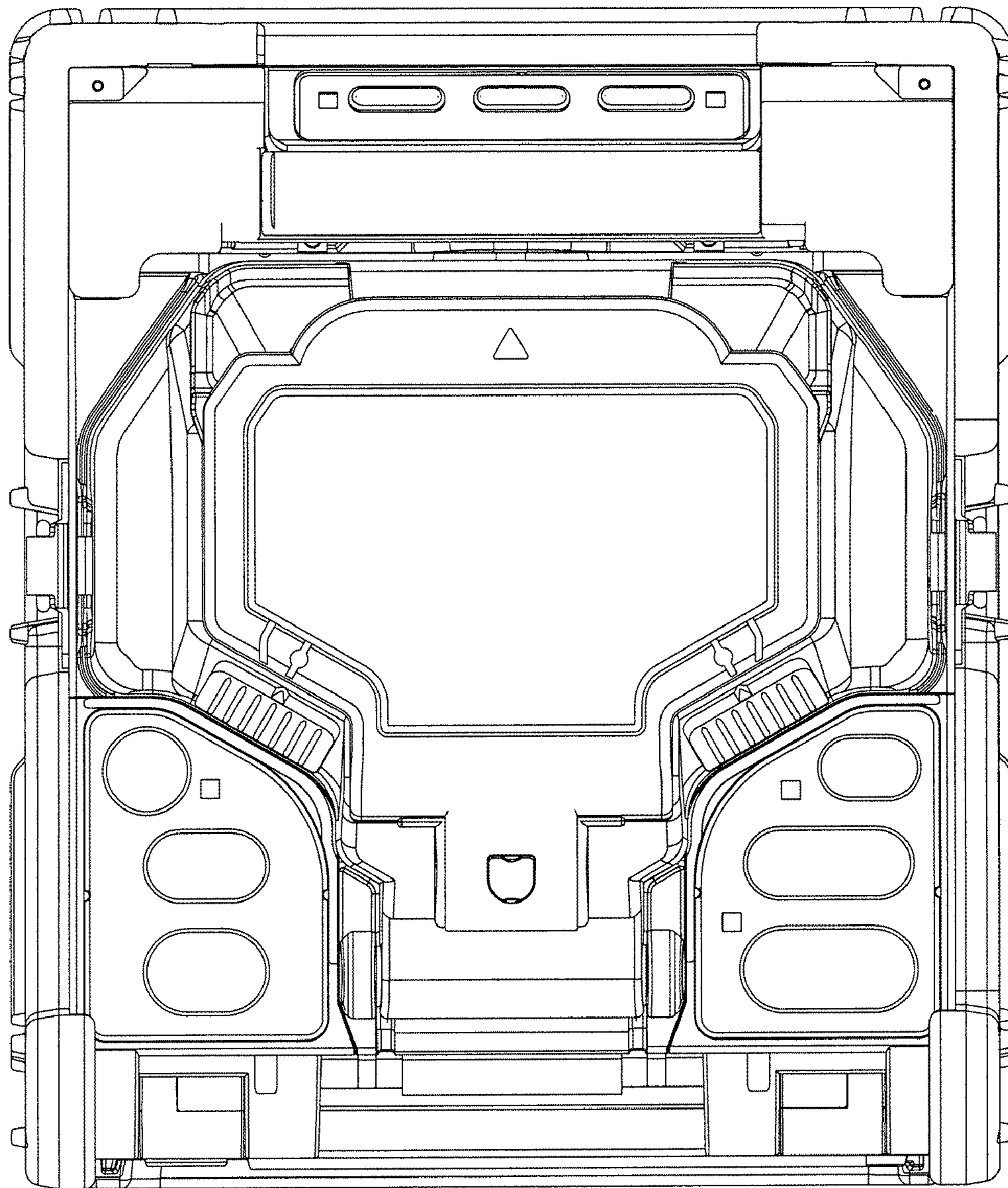
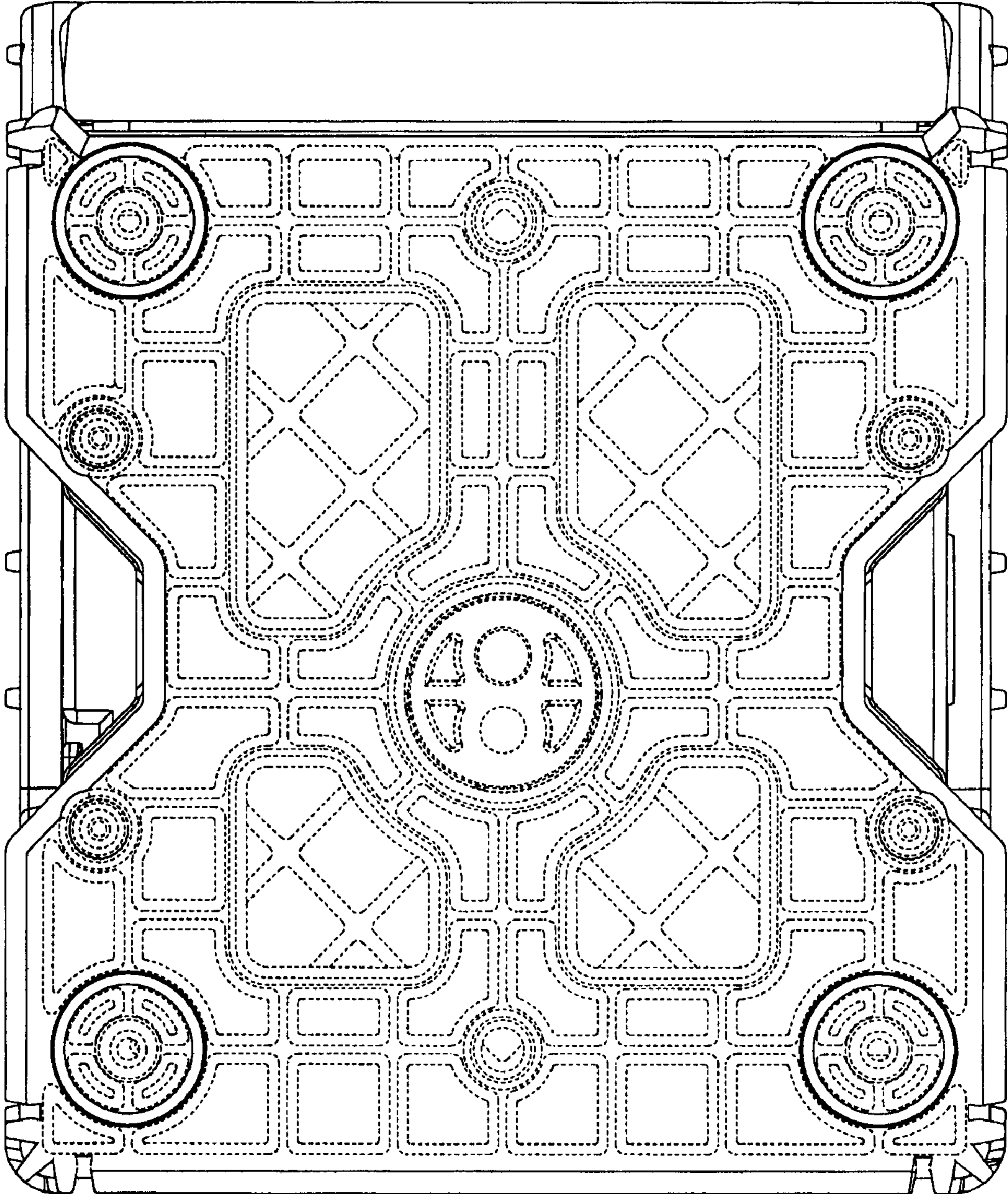




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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

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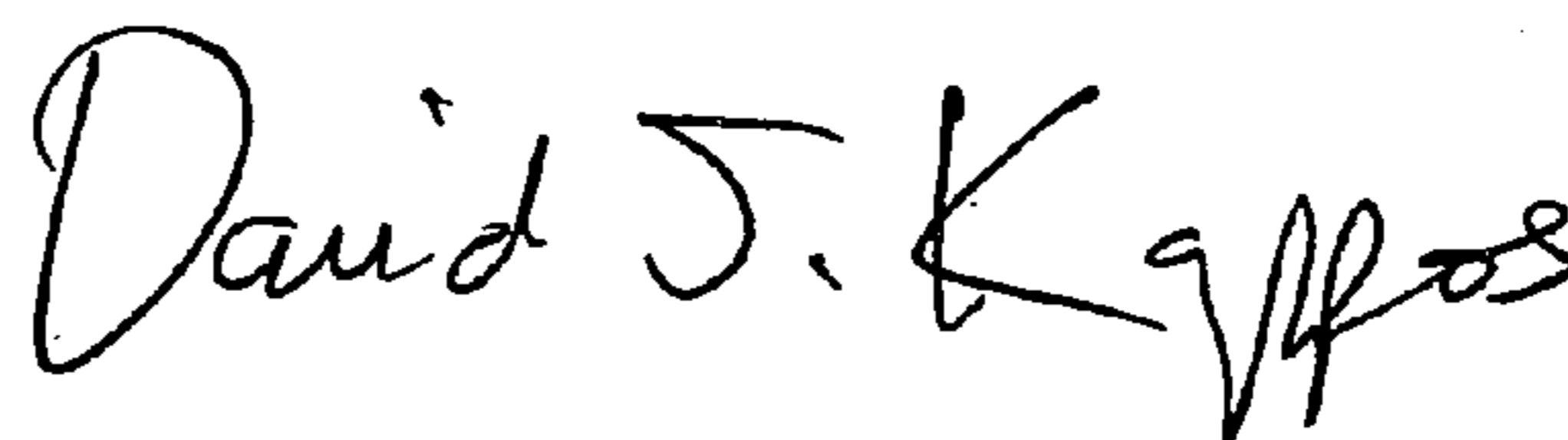
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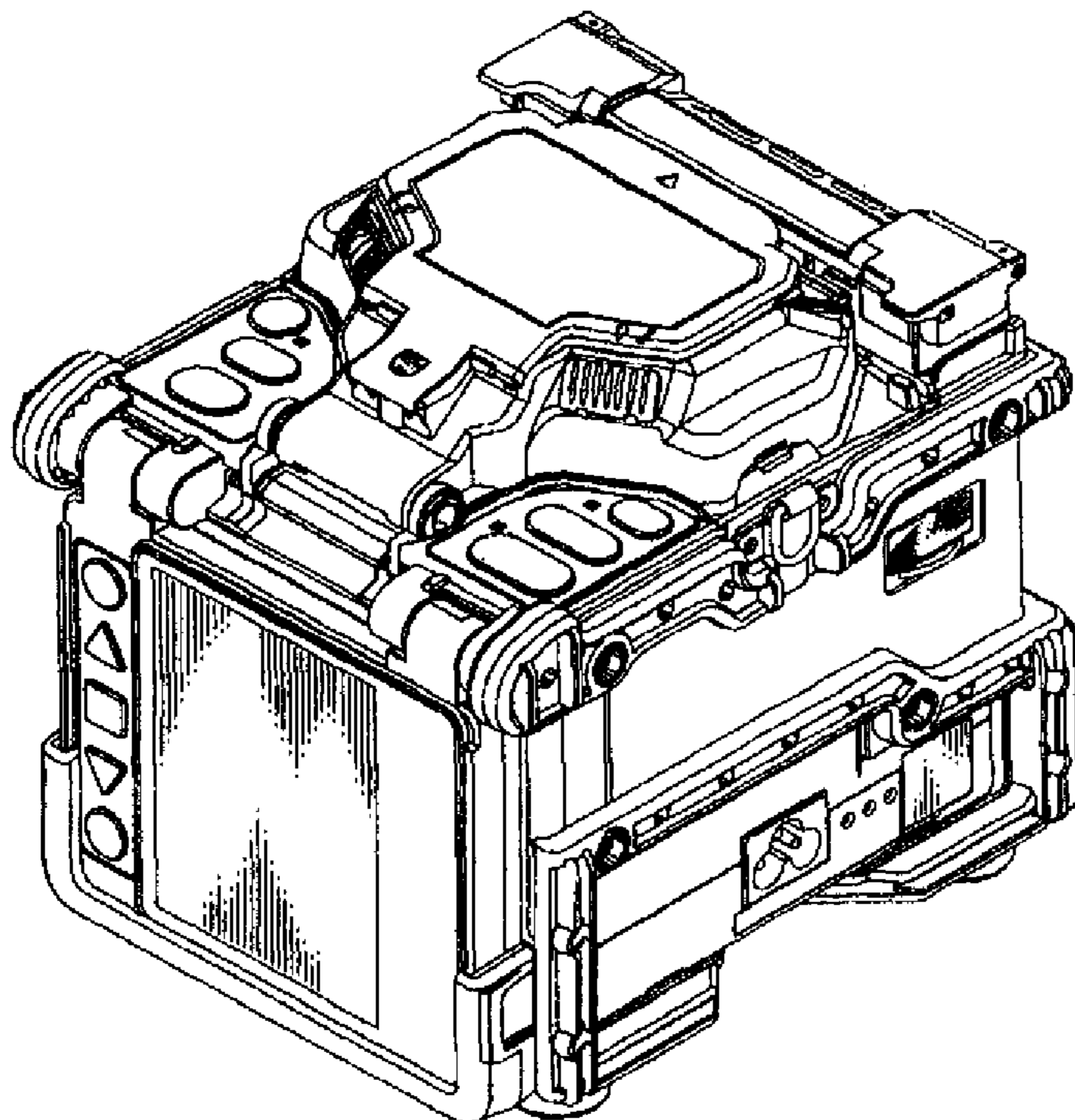


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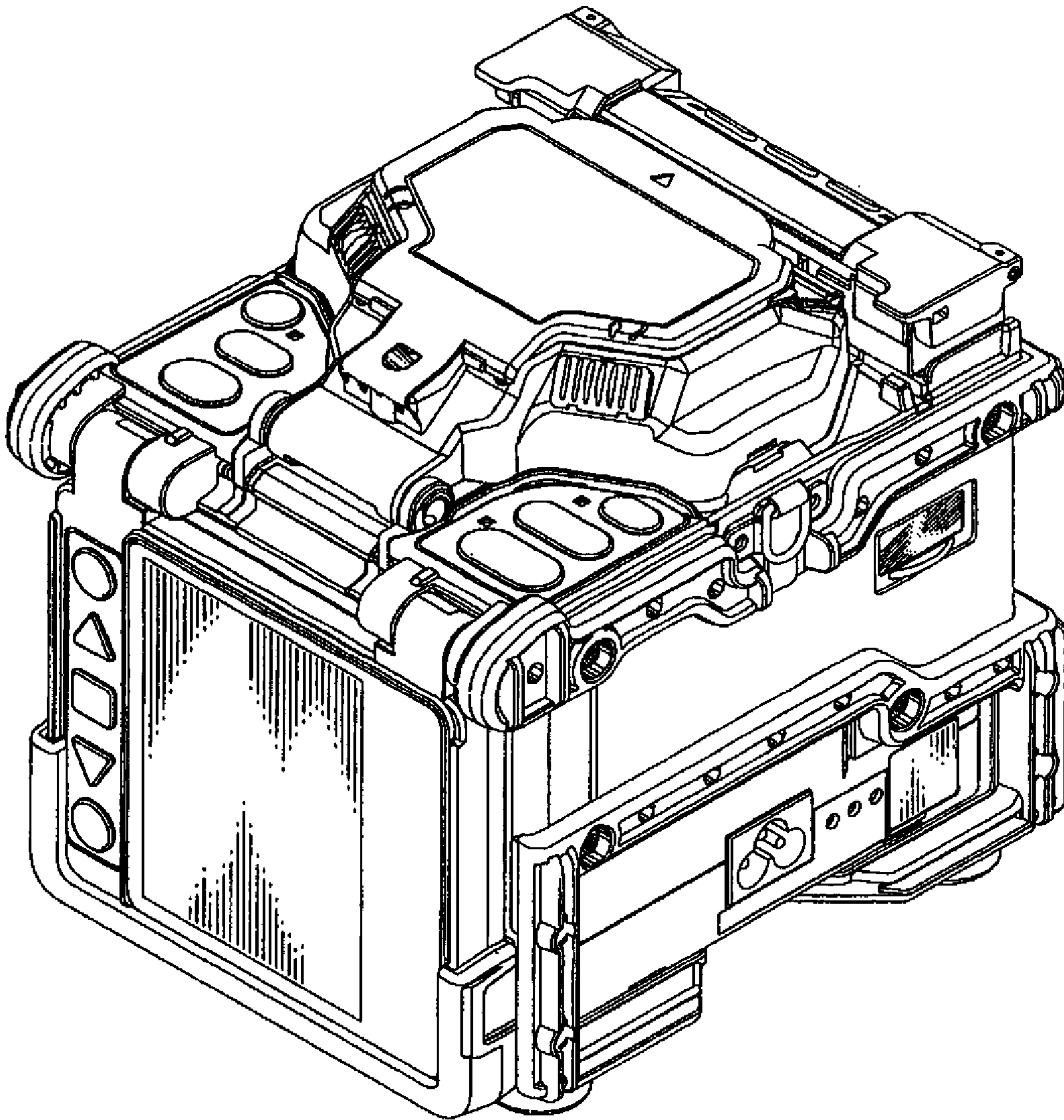


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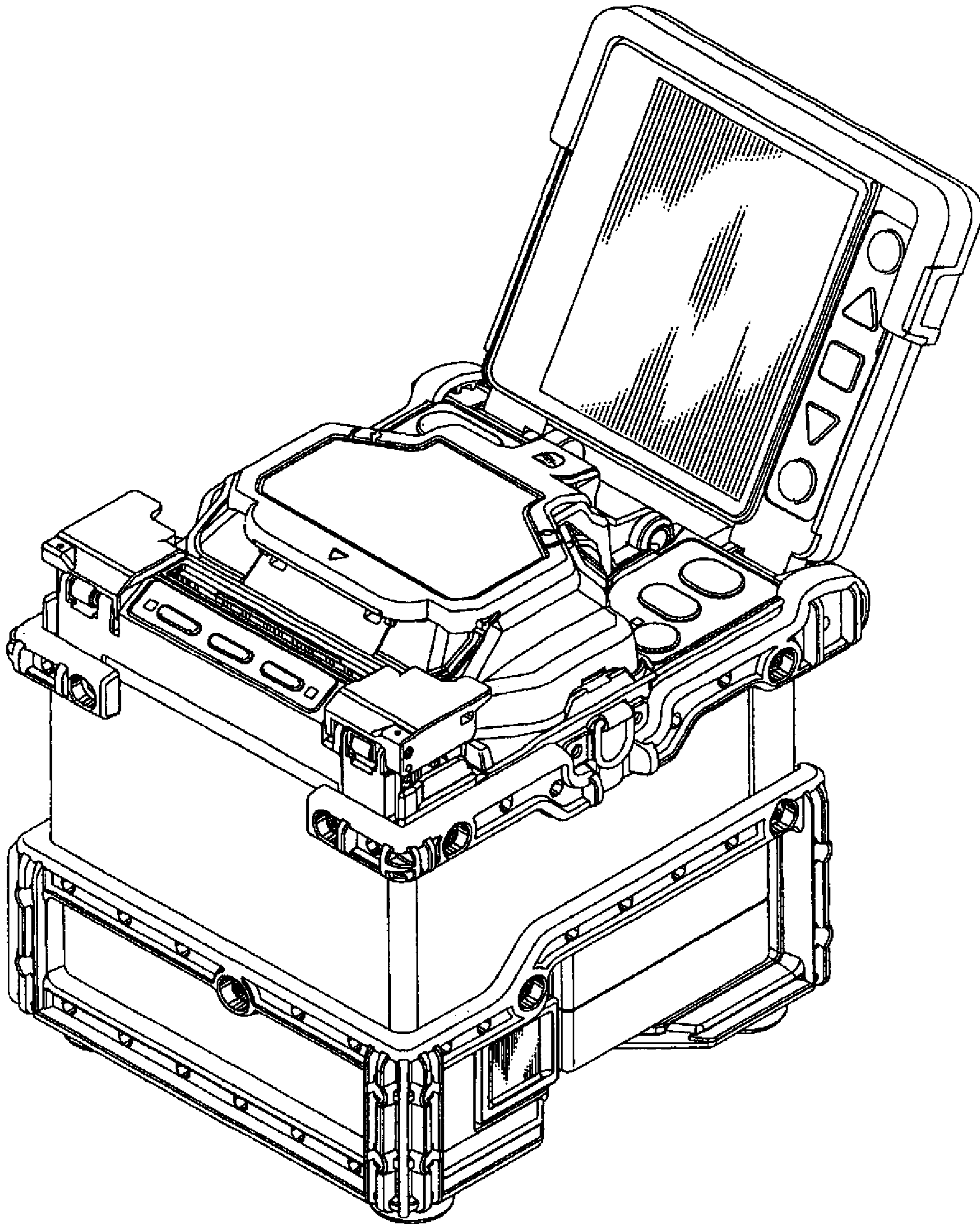


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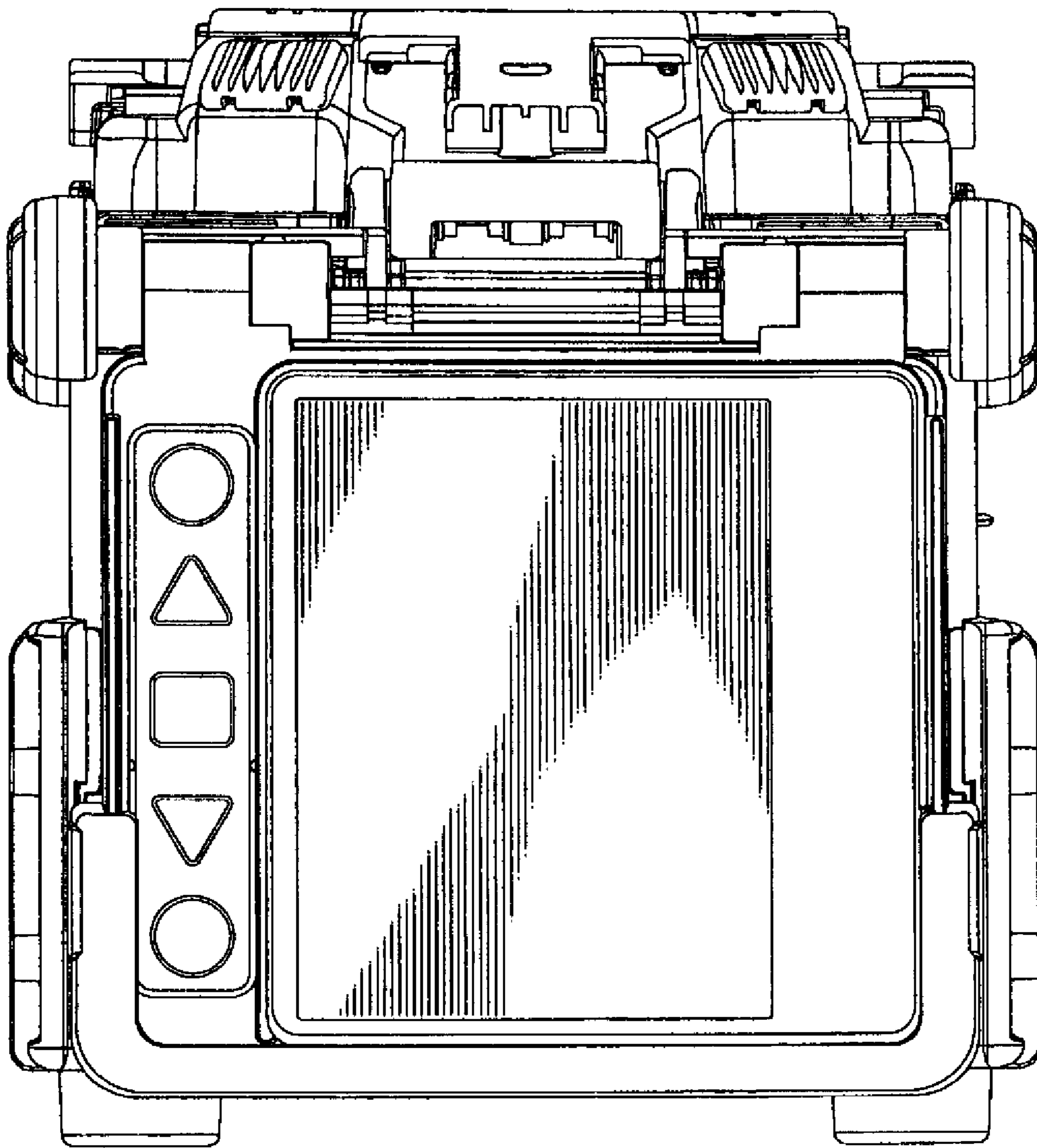


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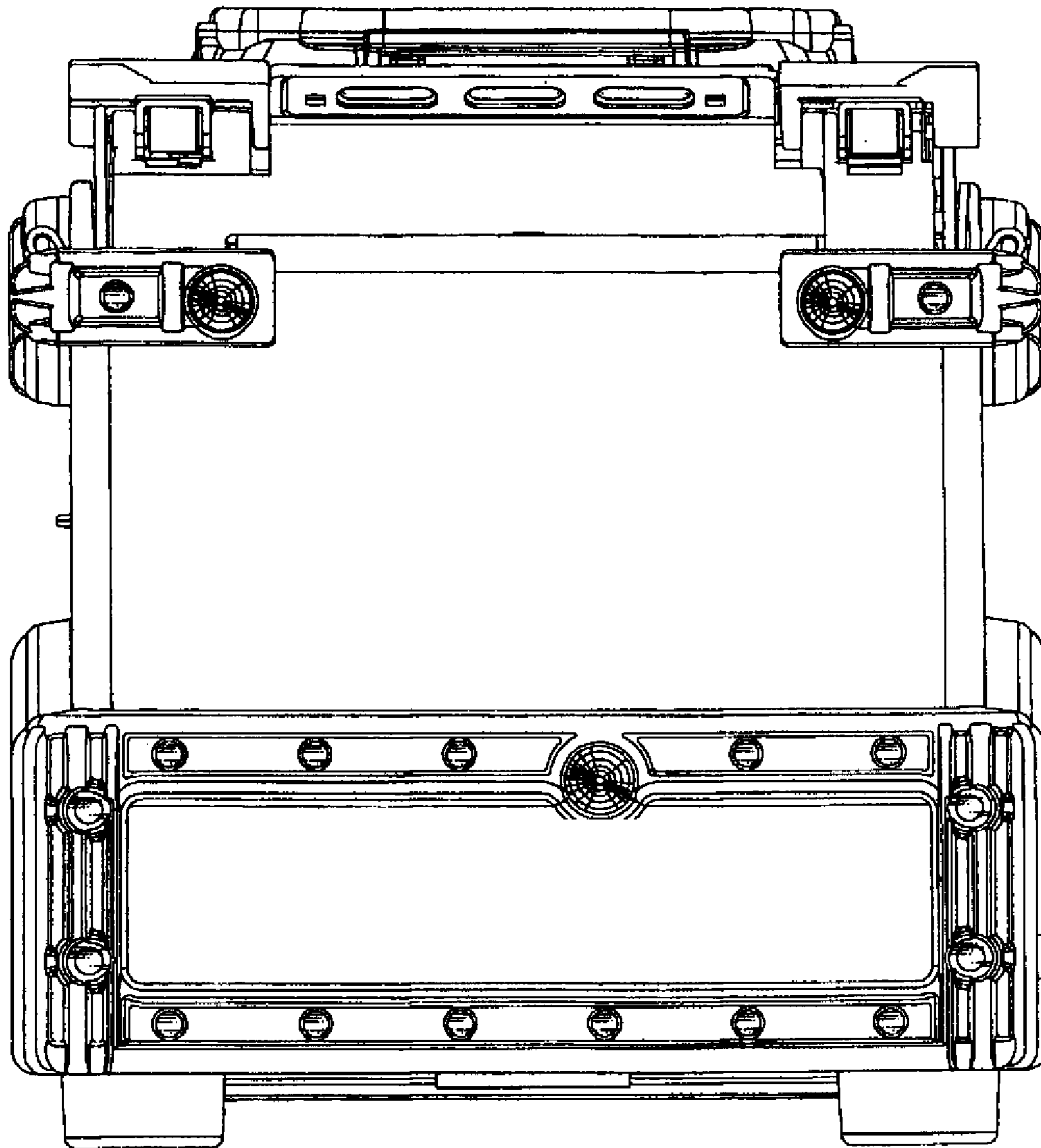


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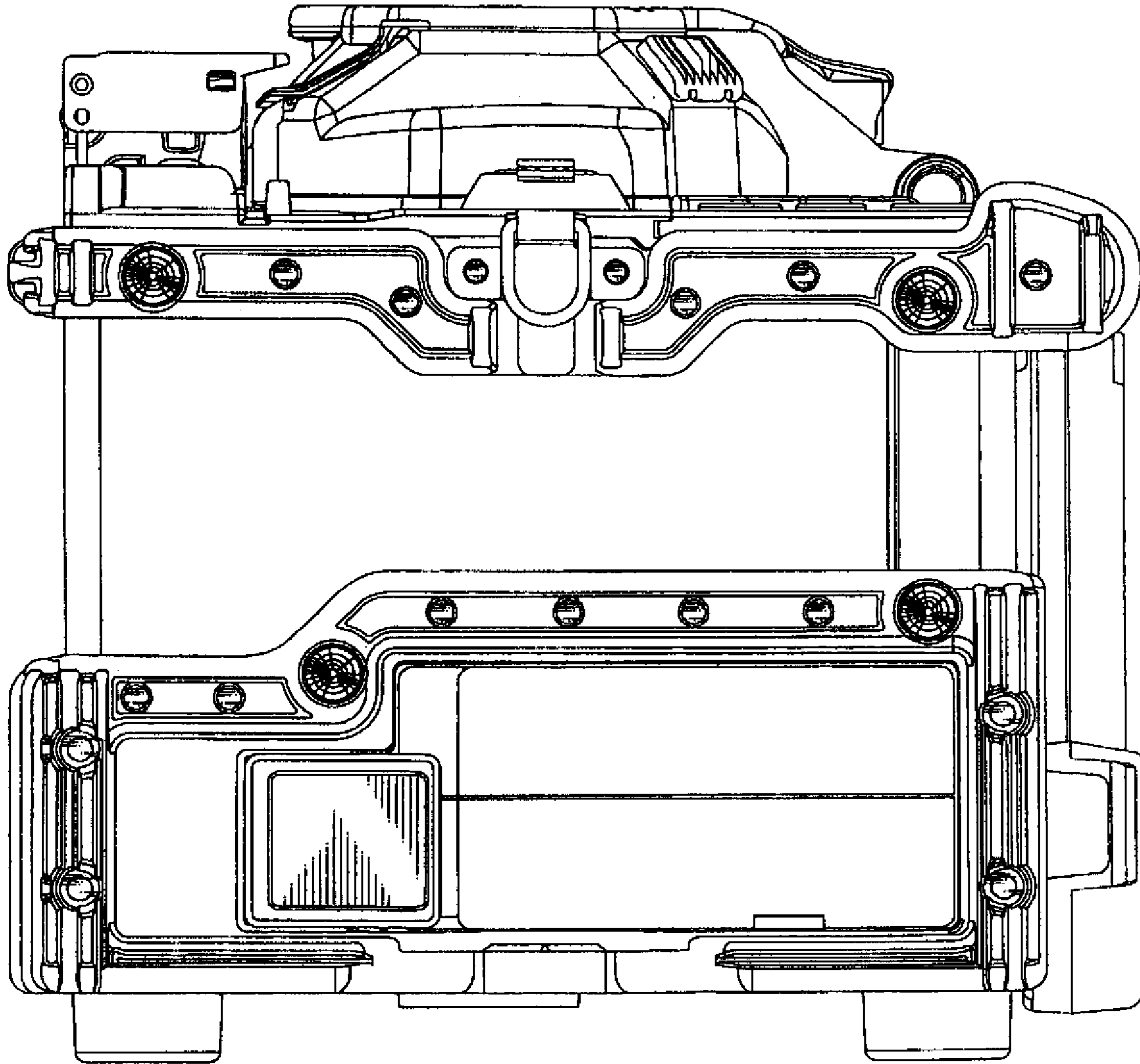




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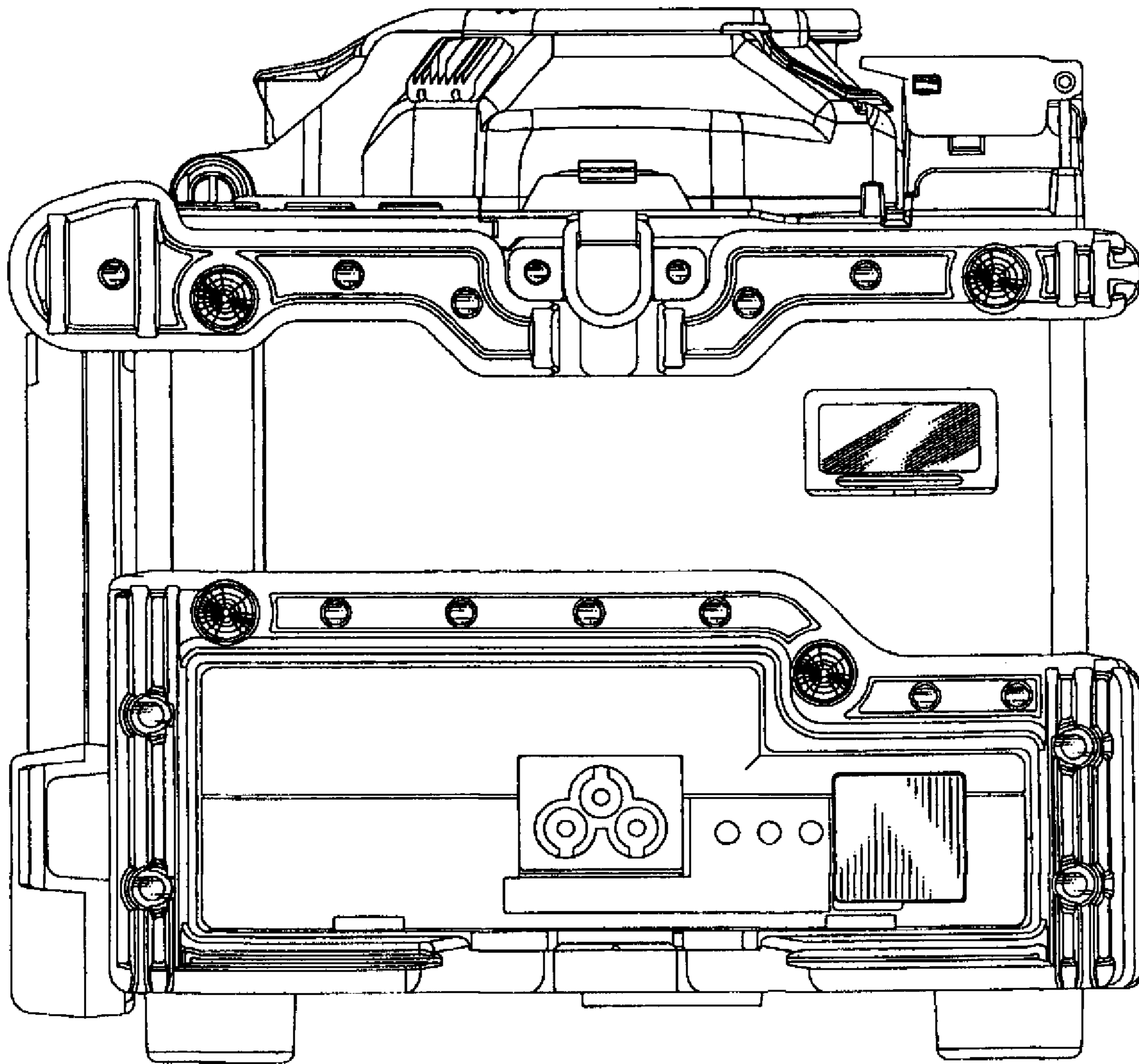


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