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- (54) **SHEARS**
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(57) **CLAIM**  
The ornamental design for the shears, as shown and described.

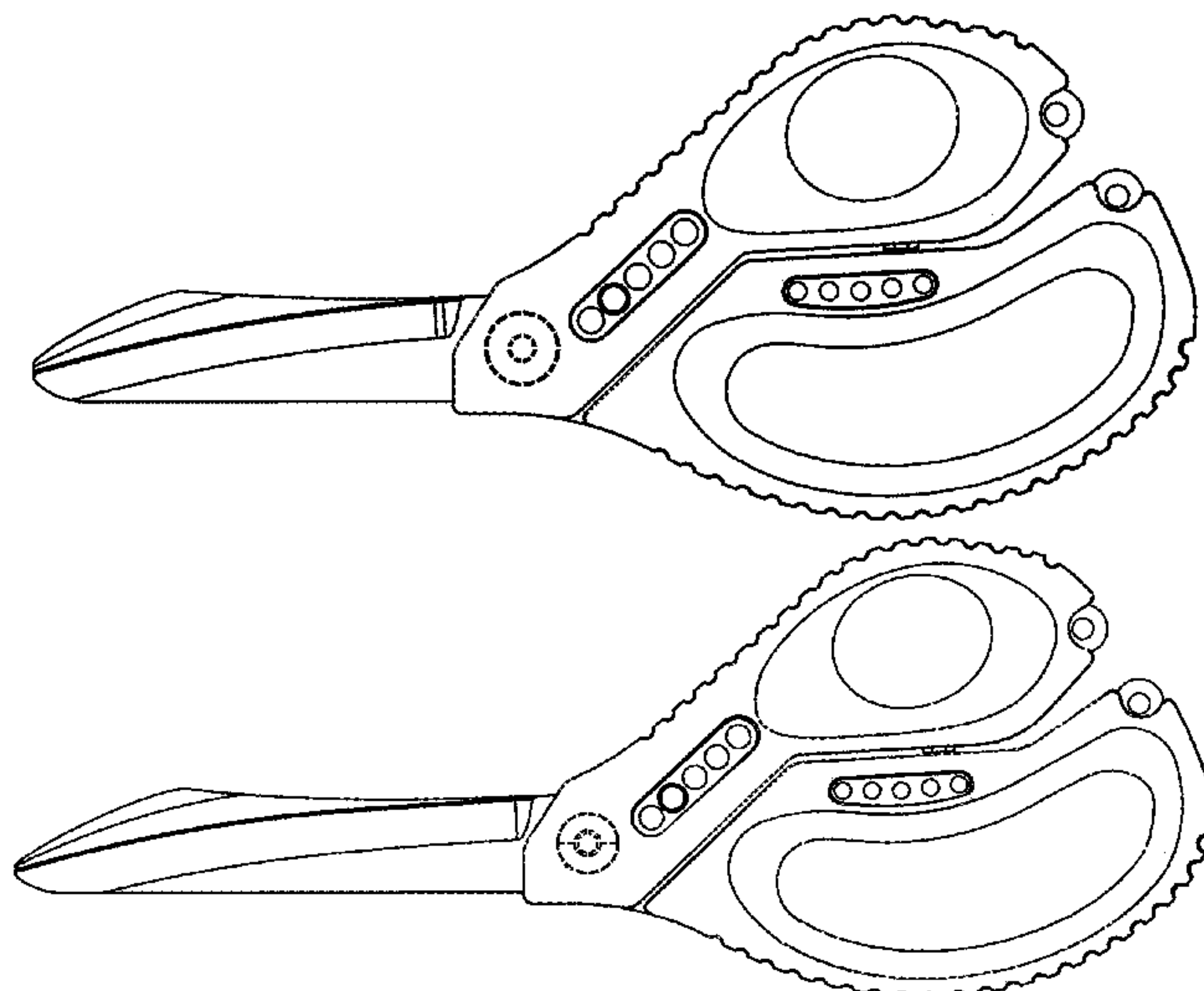
**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of shears according to the new design;  
FIG. 2 is a front view thereof;  
FIG. 3 is a rear view thereof;  
FIG. 4 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 5 is a top plan view thereof;  
FIG. 6 is a left side view thereof;  
FIG. 7 is a right side view thereof;  
FIG. 8 is a perspective view of a second embodiment of the shears showing the new design;  
FIG. 9 is a front view thereof;  
FIG. 10 is a rear view thereof;  
FIG. 11 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 12 is a top plan view thereof;  
FIG. 13 is a left side view thereof;  
FIG. 14 is a right side view thereof;  
FIG. 15 is a perspective view of a third embodiment of the shears showing the new design;  
FIG. 16 is a front view thereof;  
FIG. 17 is a rear view thereof;  
FIG. 18 is a bottom plan view thereof;  
FIG. 19 is a top plan view thereof;  
FIG. 20 is a left side view thereof; and,  
FIG. 21 is a right side view thereof.  
No claim is shown to the pivot portions shown in broken lines.

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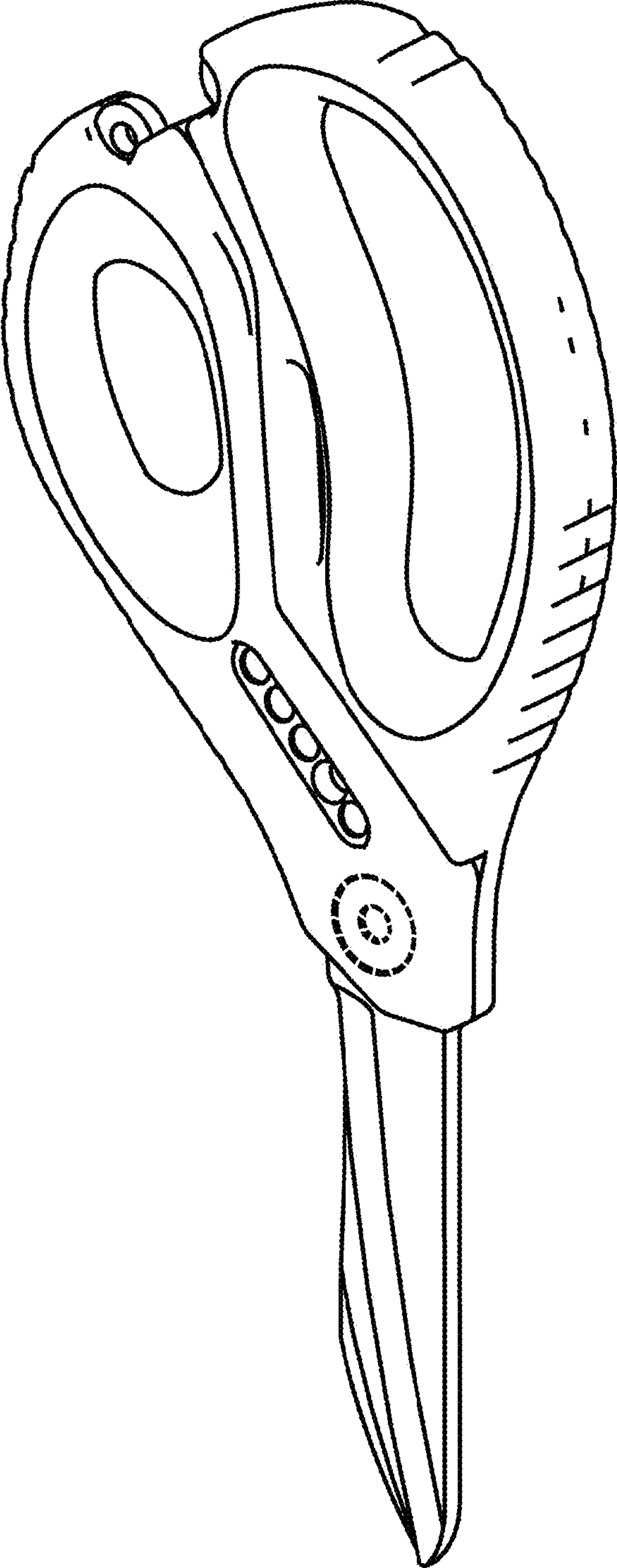


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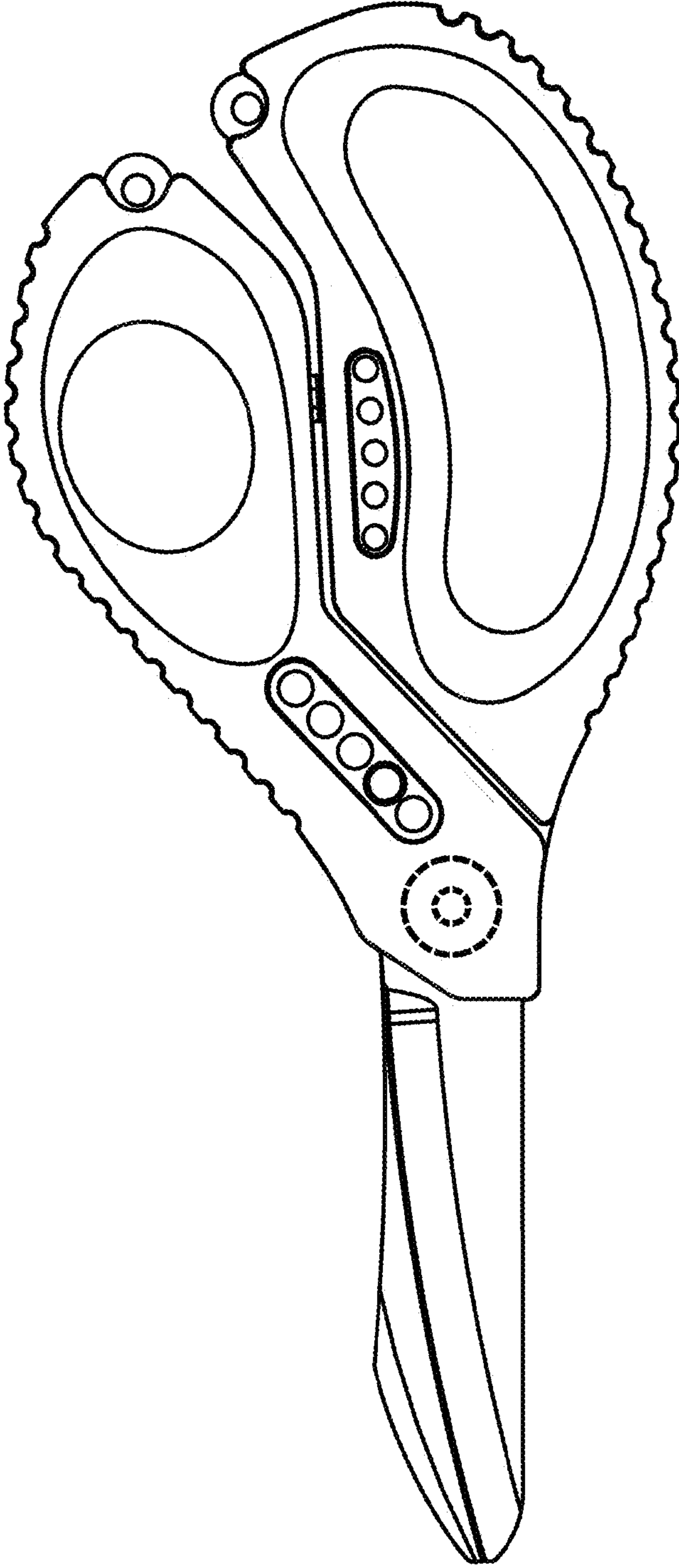


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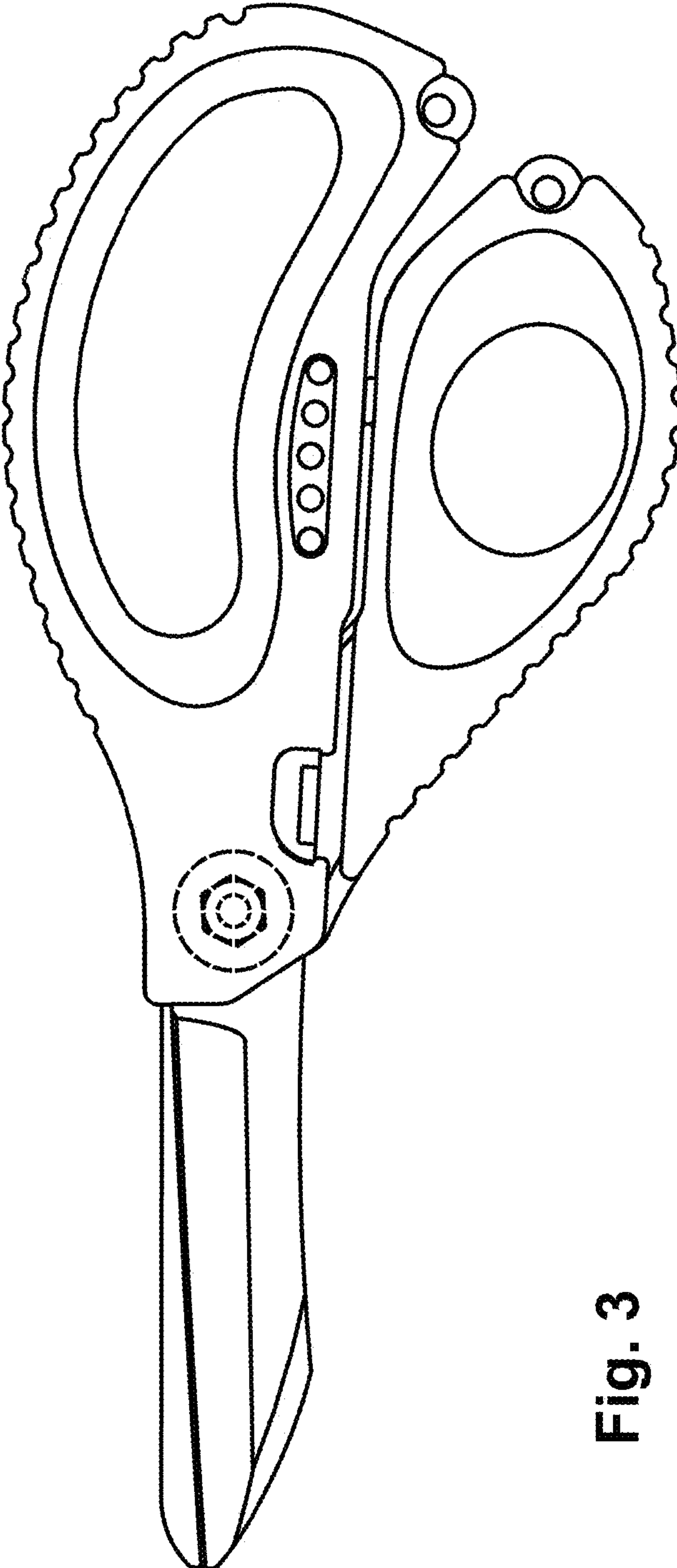


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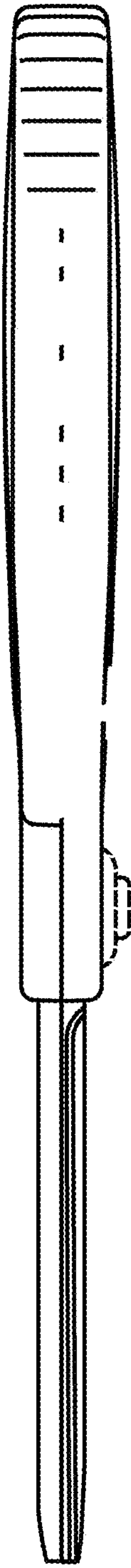


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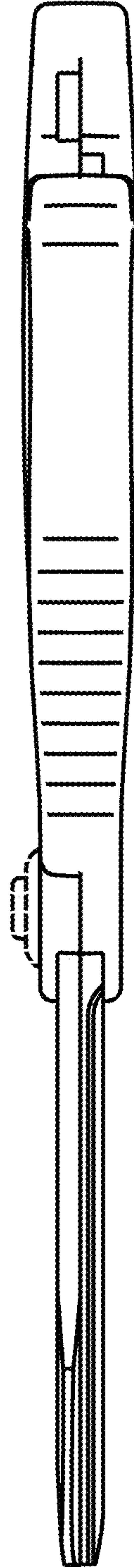


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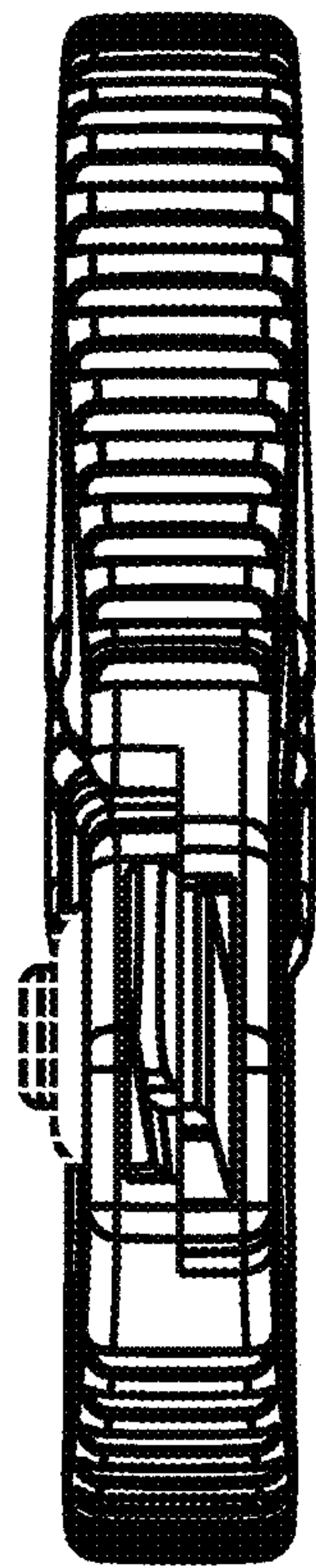


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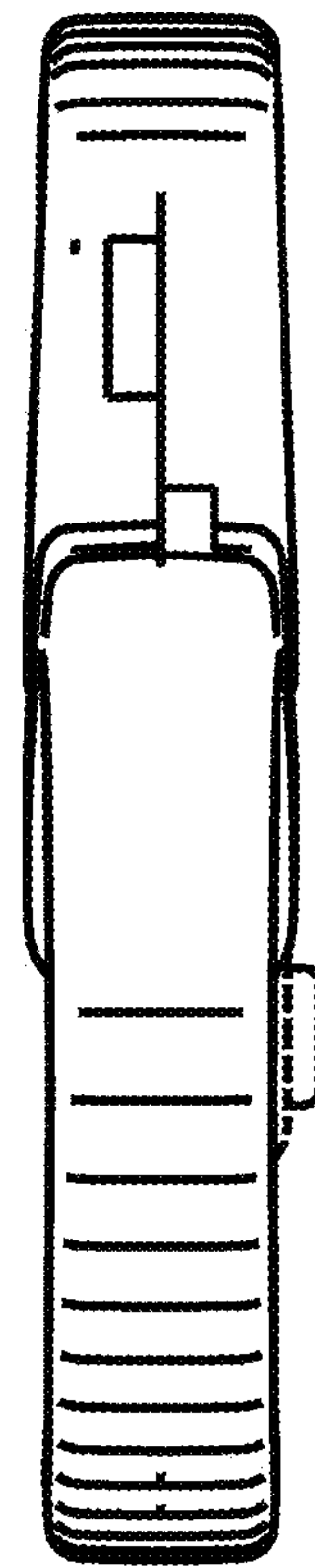


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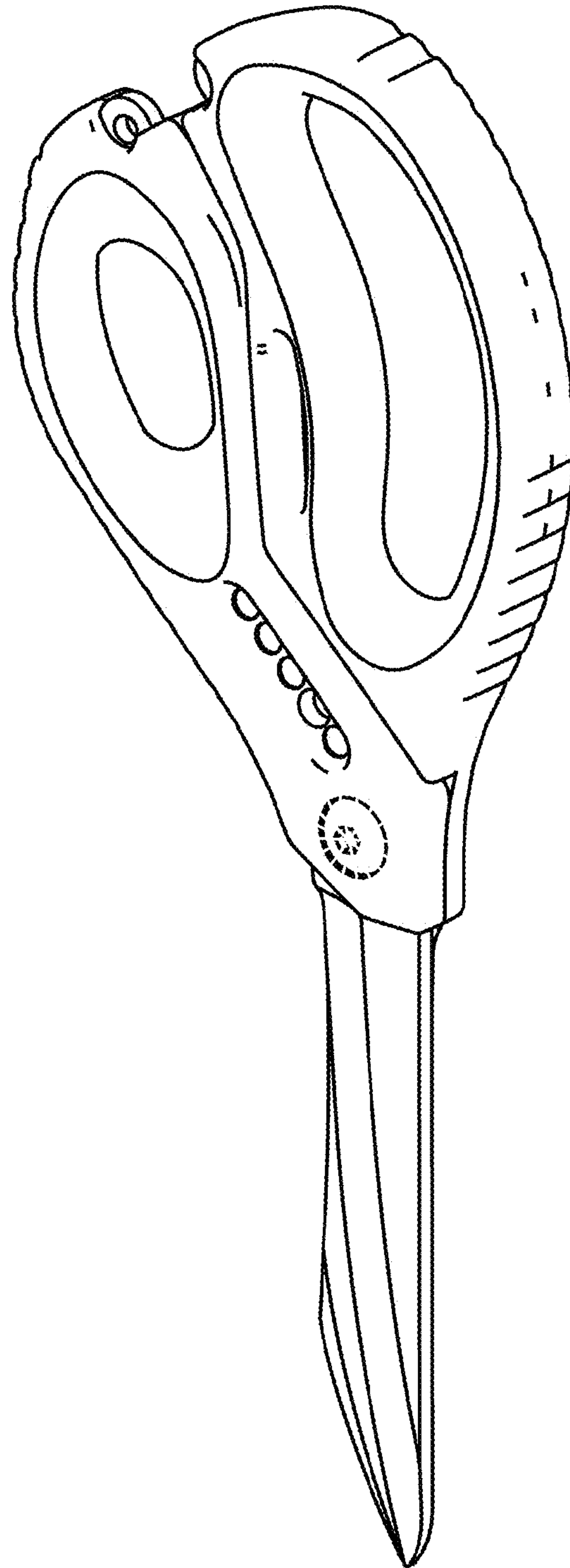


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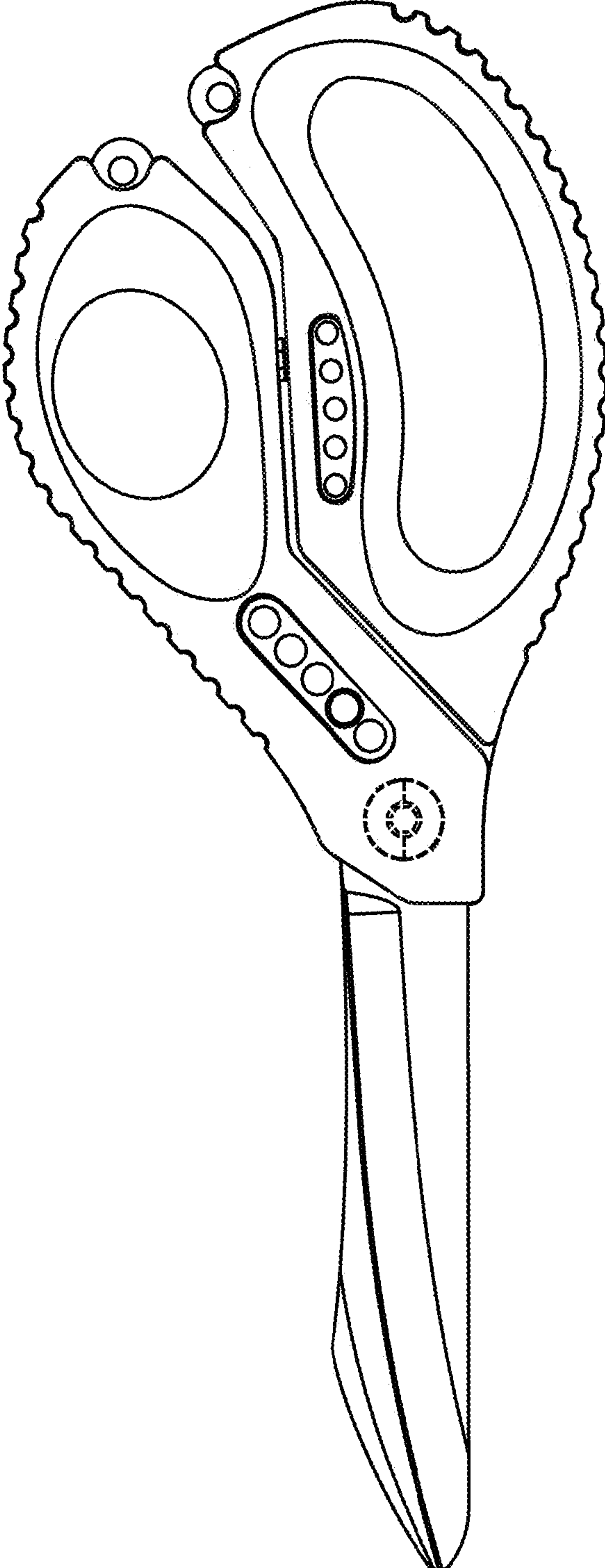


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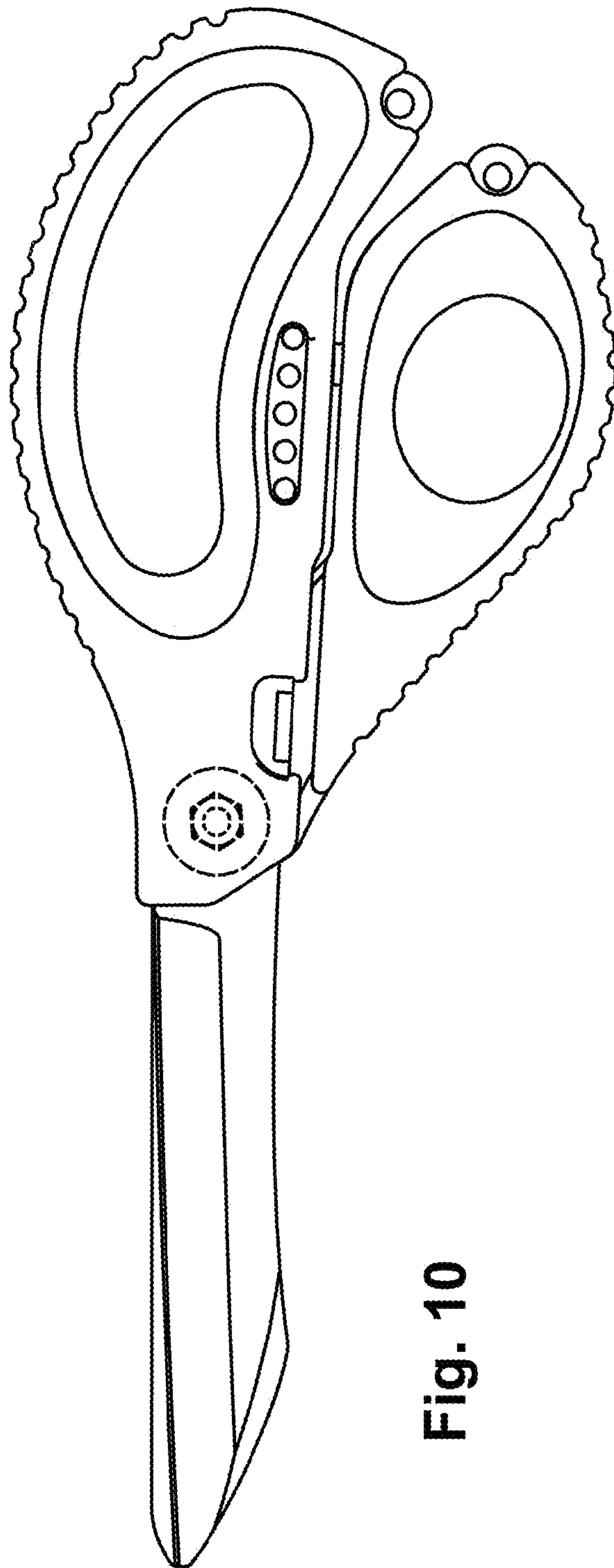


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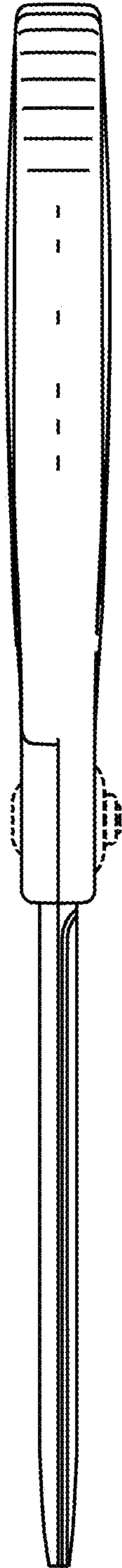


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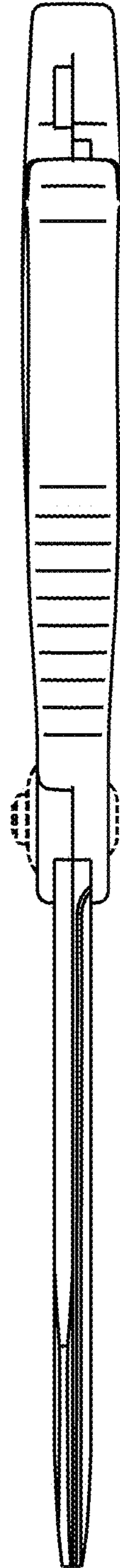


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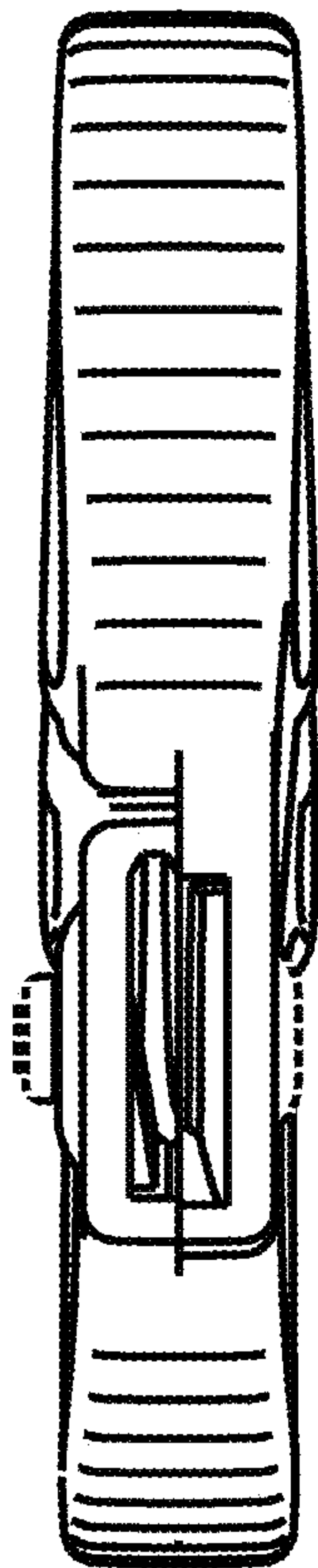


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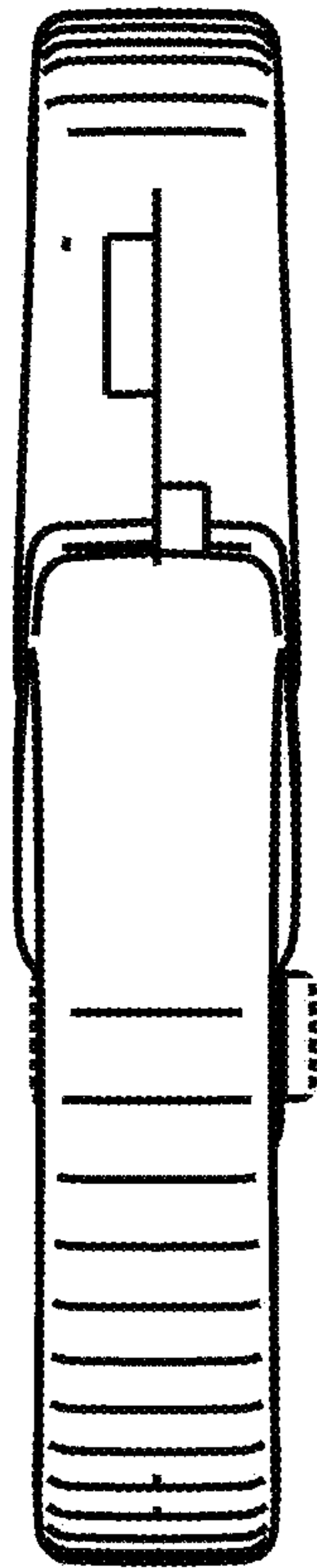


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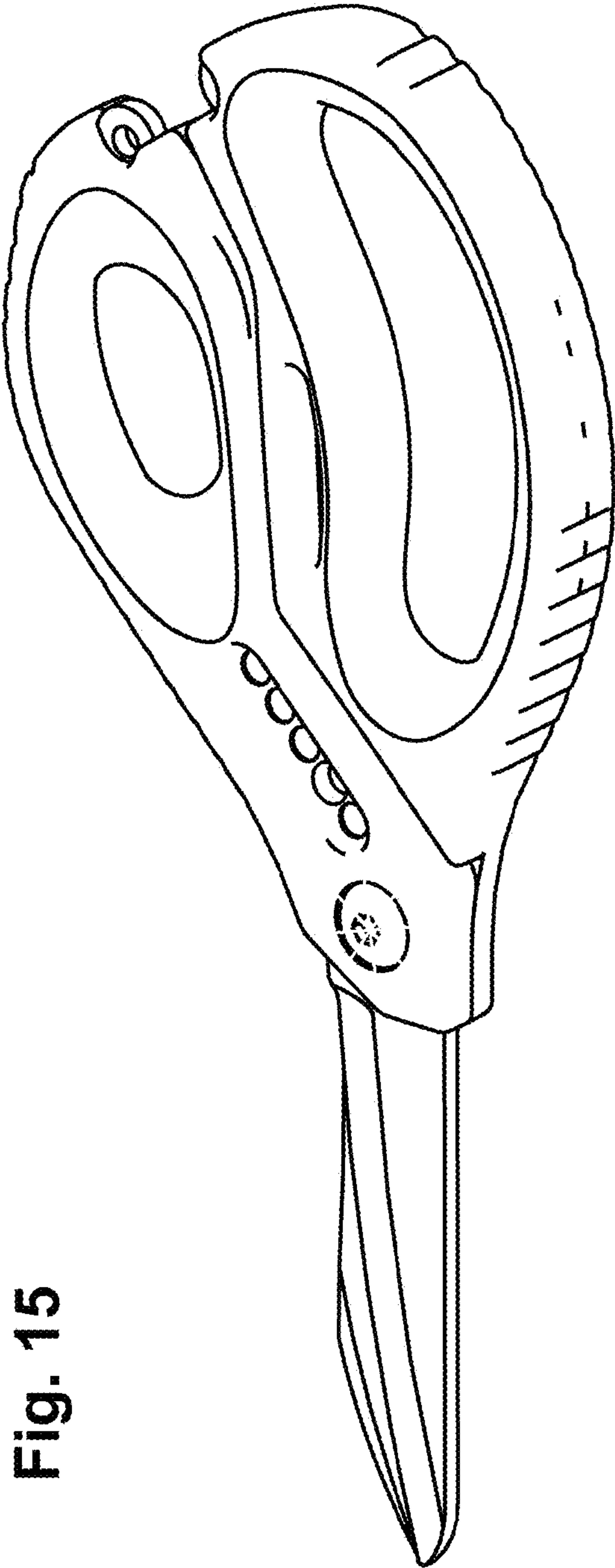


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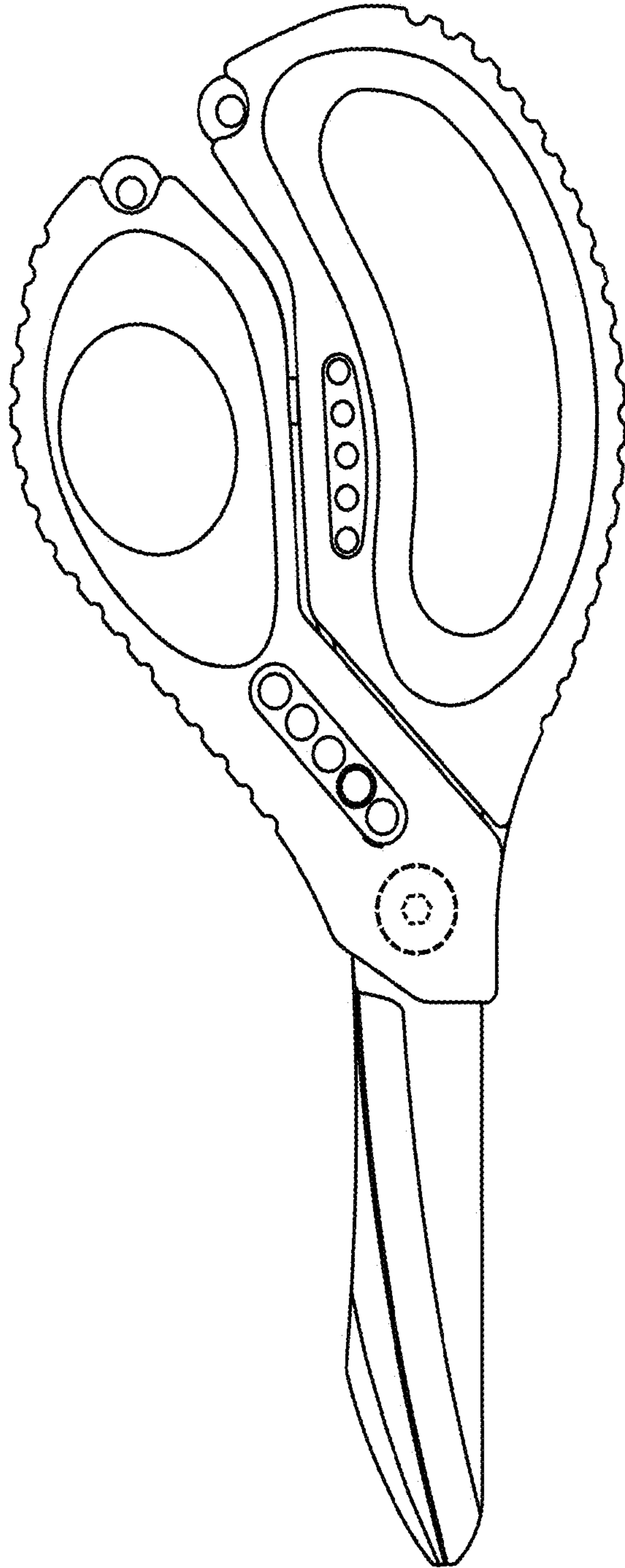


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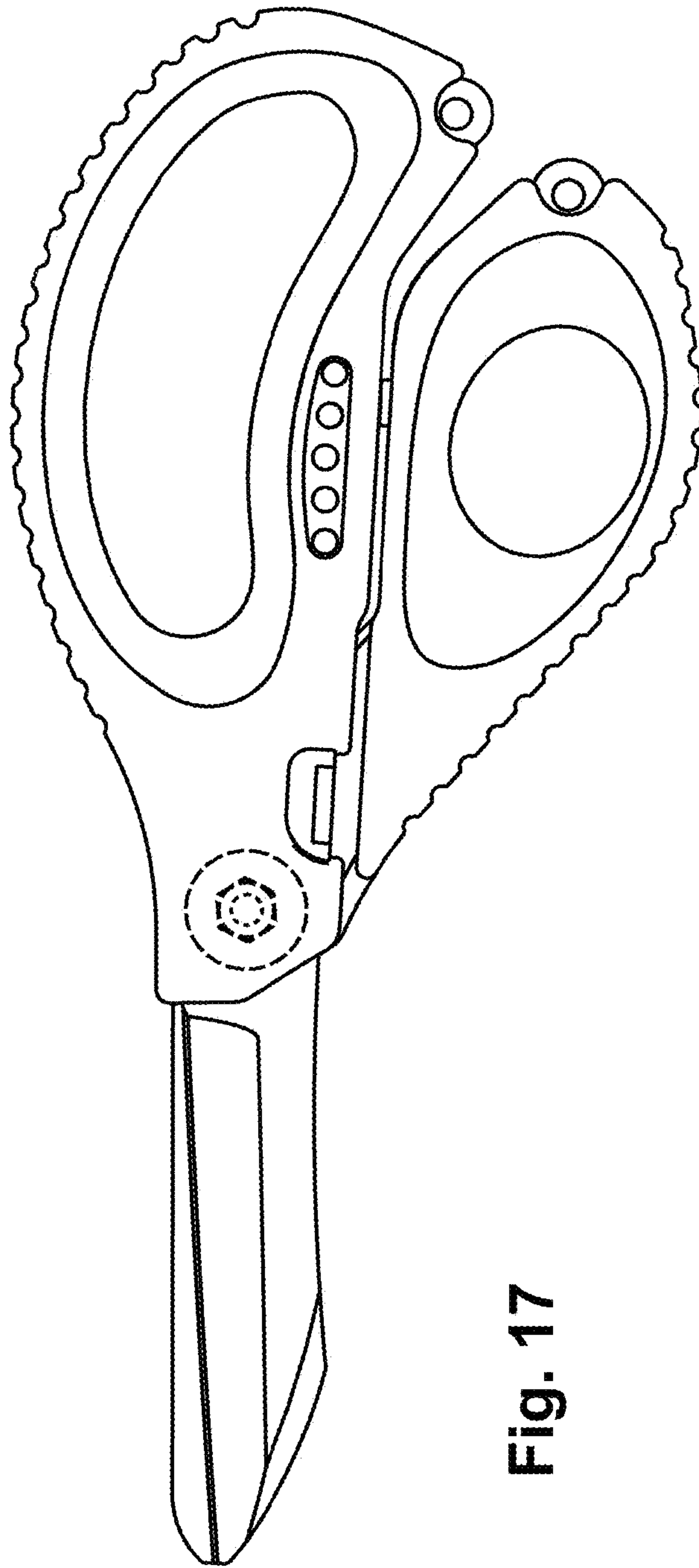


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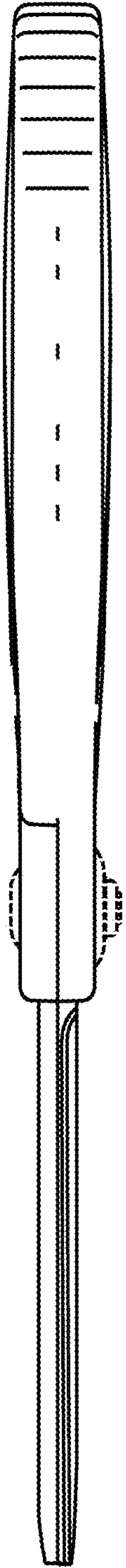


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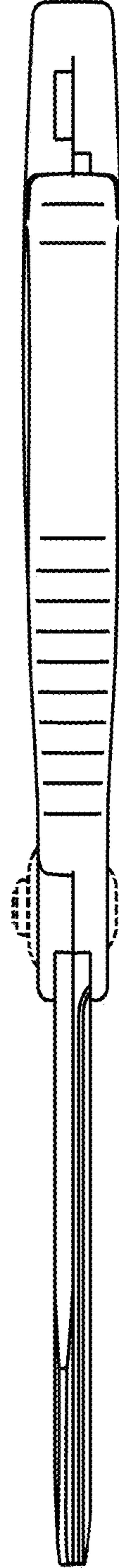


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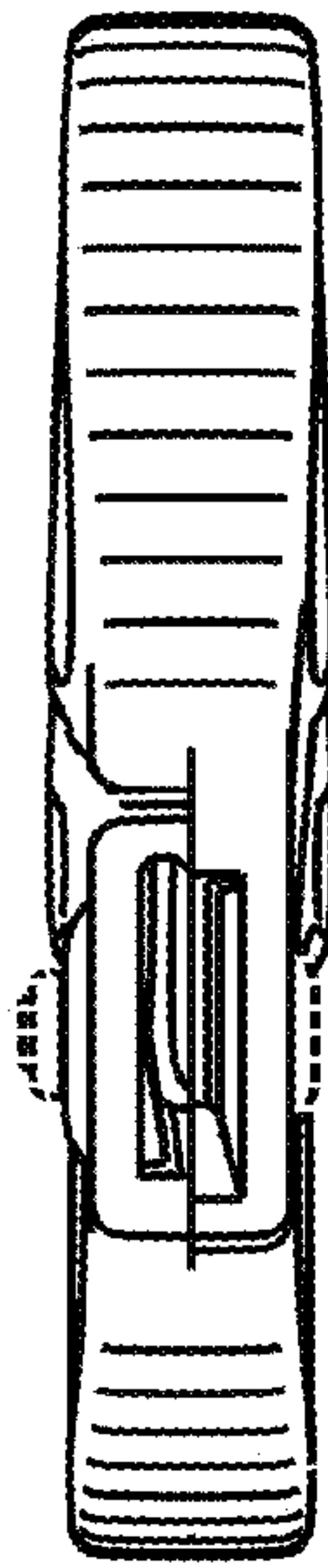


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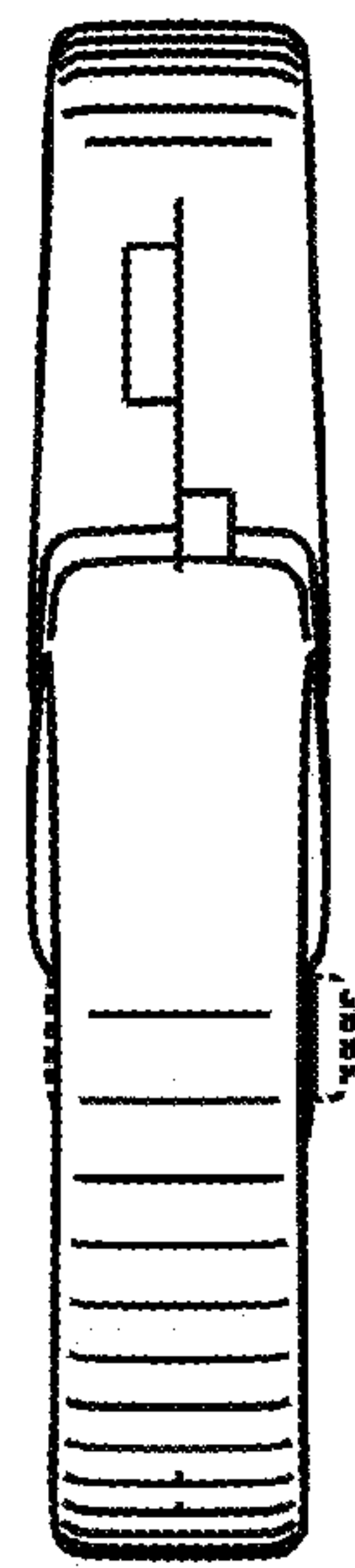


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