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COMBINED DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT USING APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)
(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT)

Title:

**Opening and Closing Mechanism Comprising a Dead-Center Spring
Element**

I. DECLARATION U.S. Application filing Date: November 29, 2017

As a below named inventor or joint inventor, I hereby declare that: U.S. Application Serial No. 15/825,380

This declaration is directed to:

- (a) the attached application, or
- (b) United States application or PCT international application number _____
filed on _____

The above-identified application was made or authorized by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application.

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

I hereby acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 USC 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.

PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

- (c) no such application have been filed.
- (d) such applications have been filed as follows.

**EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC §119		
DE	10 2016 123 242.4	01 December 2016	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
DE	10 2017 127 030.2	16 November 2017	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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As a below named assignor, for good and valuable consideration acknowledged and received I hereby sell and assign my entire worldwide right, title and interest in the application and the invention(s), so far as concerns the United States and the Territories and Possessions thereof to:

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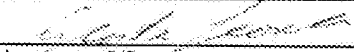
I hereby covenant that I have the full right to convey the entire interests herein assigned, and that I have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith and that such assigned rights are not encumbered by any grant, license or other right previously given.

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I authorize the patent attorney of record and/or having power of attorney in the U.S. patent application identified above to insert the serial number and filing date information for the patent application in the appropriate spaces in this document when that information becomes available.

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