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Dear Sirs,

With reference to the International Search Report dated 31 October 2018 we hereby under Article 19 submit amended claims 1-3. Regarding the cited documents D1-D3 our comments are as follows.

D1

Describes a trap with entrance (44) on the side of the trap. This has the disadvantage that there is no guarantee of the rat (86) being fully inside the trap when the trapping member (42) is triggered, and further that the rat (86) must be removed manually from the trap.

D2

Describes a trap, where the entrance (10) is turned downwards and where the trigger mechanism comprises an electronic control system, including an infrared transmitter (8) and a receiver (9). This control system, however, is not well suited because of the coating, which may emerge when the rat is injured by the strike member (14). The trap would not function with this coating.

D3

Describes a trap positioned on the ground driven by an explosive force with the entrance on the side. The killed rat must be removed manually, and also manually a new explosive device (71) must be placed.

Amended claims 1 and 3

In the amended claims 1 and 3 we have added that the entrance (5) to the room (6) turns downwards.

This ensures that the rat is completely inside the room prior to the release of the plunger and that the rat after the killing falls out of the trap by itself via the opening (5).

This ensures great accuracy of strike, as the rat does not have time to escape the room, if it hears the sound from the plunger release, and as the rat itself “empties” the trap, it is ready for use again.

Claim 2 is unchanged.

Best regards,
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