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Figure 2: Schematic cross-section through an elevator installation with a compensating means, a separating wall present in the lowest area of the hoistway between the counterweight space and the remaining hoistway space, and a compensating-means guide with brushes.

prises a brush frame 9.1 which is fastened in the hoistway or on the floor of the hoistway and fulfills the function of a brush carrier. The compensating-means guide 8.1 is shown enlarged as Detail "A" in figure 3 and described in more detail further below by reference to figures 3 and 4. Figure 2 shows an elevator installation in which the hoistway space occupied by the counterweight 2 in the lower area of the hoistway is separated from the hoistway space occupied by the elevator car 1 by a permanently installed separating wall 9.2. To allow the compensating means 7, which is fastened at one end to the counterweight 2 and at the other end to the elevator car 1, to pass from one of the hoistway spaces through to the other, the separating wall 9.2 has above the floor of the elevator hoistway a pass-through opening 9.2.1. The separating wall 9.2, i.e. in particular the part of it in the area of the so-called pass-through opening 9.2.1, is used as carrier for the brushes 12.1, 12.2 in the variant of the compensating-means guide 8.2 shown in figure 2.

In figure 3 the circled part of the drawing marked in figure 1 with "A" is shown enlarged so as to make the details of the compensating-means guide 8.1 visible, which comprise the brush frame 9.1 fastened as brush carrier to, for example, the floor of the hoistway. Figure 4 is a side view of the compensating-means guide shown in figure 3. The compensating means 7, which can be constructed with a wire rope, as an open round-link chain, or as a round-link chain encased in plastic, or as a flat-belt type belt with integral materials of high density, hangs in the area of its reversal 7.1 between bar-shaped brushes 12.1 which are fastened on side parts 9.1.1, 9.1.2 of the brush frame 9.1 and hereinafter are re-

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