

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

RE: Application for Patent of \*  
 WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN \*  
 Serial Number \*  
 549,086 \*  
 Filed \*  
 11 August 1944 \*  
 For \*  
 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM \*

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AMENDMENT

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 5 May 52*

The Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
 Washington 25, D. C.

Sir:

This is in response to Patent Office action of 4 May 1949 in the  
 above-identified application for patent which is being prosecuted  
 under the so-called three-year rule. Please amend the case as  
 follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

- Page 10, line 20 - Change "included" to - include - .
- 22 - After "2" insert - and similarly secured to the  
 machine by screws, as 60' - .

IN THE CLAIMS

- Claim 11, line 3 - Before "to" (first occurrence) insert - normally - .
- 4 - After "indicate" insert - only - .
- Claims 12, 13, 14,  
 and 15 - Cancel.
- Claim 16, line 4 - After "indicator" insert - immediately - .
- Claim 17, line 5 - After "being" insert - immediately - .
- Claim 24 - Cancel.

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## REMARKS

The Chief Draftsman has been requested to make the necessary changes in the drawings.

The additions to the specification appear to require no comment.

Further consideration is requested of Claim 11 as amended. None of the references discloses a combination which normally provides indications of both plain and enciphered text, yet under special conditions provides an indication of an enciphered character only.

Claims 16 and 17 also have been amended, and their reconsideration is requested.

The amended claims require, in addition to their other features, that each of the indicators be immediately adjacent its switch. It could not fairly be said of Hebern, number 1,683,072, that this condition is approached unless it be argued that the "Q" key, for example, is adjacent the "Z" indicator; in that case, it is obvious that the "P" key is considerably removed from the whole top row of indicators.

The construction of the claims provides for facility and accuracy of operation in the hands of relatively inexperienced persons.

Claims 12, 13, 14, 15, and 24 have been cancelled.

Claims 1, 2, 8, 10, 18, 19, 22, and 23 have been indicated as allowable.

Continued prosecution under the three-year rule is desired.

Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully,

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By \_\_\_\_\_  
His Attorney

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