The Honorable,

The Commissioner of Patents.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

It is requested that the patent application of William F. Friedman, an employee of the Signal Corps, War Department, relating to an improvement in Cryptographic System, Serial No. 661,096, filed July 25, 1935, be continued under the provisions of Section 4894, Revised Statutes, as amended, U.S.C., title 35, section 57. The title in and to this invention has been assigned to the United States, as represented by the Secretary of War by assignment executed by said Friedman under date of September 10, 1936, recorded September 17, 1936, U.S. 208-299.

It has been determined that the invention is important to the armament and defense of the United States, and it is therefore desired that the application be continued under Section 4894, Revised Statutes, as amended, to allow the War Department a further period of three years in which to make response to the Patent Office as provided by the said Statute.

Sincerely yours,

HENRY L. STIMSON

Secretary of War.

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