SIGNAL CORPS PATENT BOARD

MEETING NO. 12

1. The Board met at 10:00 A.M., June 24, 1937, in Room 3435, Munitions Building. All members were present.

2. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the following cases and make recommendations for appropriate action:

   a. A query from Mr. W. F. Friedman as to whether the Chief Signal Officer has any objection to his (Mr. Friedman's) disposal of his commercial rights in an invention described in memoranda dated March 24, 1937 and April 29, 1936.

   b. An invention by Mr. W. F. Friedman of a cryptanalytic coincidence counter.

   c. An invention by Mr. W. F. Friedman of a machine for locating idiomorphs and isomorphs.

   d. An invention by Mr. Albert D. Martin, Jr., of a radio system for radio range beacon.

3. The Board finds:

   a. The Board withheld final action on the matters described under paragraph 2.a and 2.d above pending receipt of further information.

   b. With reference to the inventions described under paragraph 2.b and 2.c above:

      (1) That the inventions have military value and that they should be kept secret.

      (2) That these inventions arose in connection with and as a result of the official duties of Mr. Friedman but that there is no advantage in filing a patent application and thereby risking premature disclosure.

4. The Board recommends:

   a. That Mr. Friedman's inventions described under paragraph 2.b and 2.c above be filed as a matter of record and for possible future use if and when development should become desirable.
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APPROVED JUNE ______, 1937:

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