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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

In re Application of
 William F. Friedman
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Division 70

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AMENDMENT

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

Sir:

In response to the Patent Office letter of 15 February 1956 in the above-identified application, and in further response to the rejection of 5 February 1953, it is requested that the following paragraph be incorporated in the amendment of 3 February 1956, page 2, after line 23:

Reconsideration is requested of the rejection of claims 11, as amended, as vague and indefinite. In addition to eliminating certain functional material in the claim, the proposed amendment, it is believed, points out that the authenticator represents a portion of the function of the cryptographic device with another portion thereof being disabled. With respect to the rejection on references (especially Scherbius) since any "indicator in each of the references can be used for authentication purposes," it appears that an adequate anticipation should show a cryptographic device which normally prints or otherwise indicates clear and cipher texts and which, when used as an authenticator, prints or indicates only enciphered text. Reconsideration is therefore requested also of the rejection on references.

Applicant regrets the oversight of claim 11 in the Remarks accompanying the amendment of 3 February 1956.

Respectfully,

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