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Commissioner of Patents.

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For Cryptographic System

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Responsive to amendment of September 26, 1932.

The rejection of claims 1 to 3 inclusive and 33
on Hovland of record is repeated for the reasons of
record.

The Examiner agrees with applicants that the
specific elements he refers to in his remarks are not
found in the reference but neither are they found in
these claims. The claims refer to means and these may
embrace any form of elements such as the mixing commutator
of Hovland. The means for displacing the switching device
in an aperiodic manner is a manual means which is all that
claim 33 requires.

The remaining claims appear at present to be
allowable.

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Examiner.