

Nov. 20, 1931

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

C Reference is made to your letter of October 29, 1931, with regard to assistance to be rendered by Mr. W. F. Friedman, cryptanalyst in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer, in your investigation of the cipher machine submitted for your consideration by the International Telephone and Telegraph Company.

O The Department is pleased to forward herewith the report rendered by Mr. Friedman as a result of his investigation of the degree
P of cryptographic security afforded by this machine.

Y Should any further assistance or advice in this connection be necessary or desirable, this Department will be very glad to cooperate with your Department in whatever manner possible.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) F. H. Payne
Acting Secretary of War.

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Copy for the Chief Signal Officer.