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The Instructions in question consist of a separate printed sheet bearing a proper copyright notice and explaining the use of the Duplex Slide Rule.

It seems to the undersigned member of the Board that this sheet is quite obviously subject matter for copyright and acceptable for registration in the Copyright Office (in)regardless of the fact that it accompanies a device which is not registrable.

The Register of Copyrights permits the registration of printed instructions accompanying blank books, although blank books are not registrable.

The Register of Copyrights permits the registration of printed instructions accompanying games, although games are not registrable.

The Register of Copyrights permits the registration of printed instructions accompanying dress patterns, although dress patterns are not registrable.

I can see no difference between printed instructions accompanying a device and printed instructions accompanying a blank book, game or pattern. If the latter three are registrable, then it seems only logical to say that the former is registrable also. I am for registration of the Instructions.

Respectfully,

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