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Dear Sirs:

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Examination has been completed on the Model 700 BDL 7mm-08 Rem. caliber rifle, serial number B6299888, that you returned to us a short time ago because "at times when bolt is closed rifle will discharge without touching trigger".

The returned firearm, which was produced in May of 1981, has been thoroughly examined and found to contain our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all necessary tests and inspections prior to being shipped from our factory.

The general condition of the gun appeared to be very good. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal.

Examination of the rifle and trigger assembly could not duplicate the reported malfunction. Many attempts were made to cause the firing pin to fall upon bolt closing; all to no avail. Factory seals were intact on the trigger adjusting screws, indicating that no adjustment had been made to the trigger outside our factory. Trigger pull was measured to be 4 pounds, and sear lift with the safety in the "on-safe" position was well within specifications at .012". The only manner in which the rifle could be made to fire was with the safety off and the trigger pulled, as designed.