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Dear Remington, CONSUMER SERVICE

I purchased, new, a Remington Model 700 ADL (270 Win.) in July 1981. I was impressed with its accuracy from the first time I fired it at the range. I love the rifle, but during the Wisconsin gun deer season (November 1982) as I was starting to unload to climb a tree the gun discharged leaving a large hole in the ground uncomfortably close to my feet and a very shaken deer hunter. I assumed that I had inadvertently bumped the trigger while removing the safety. I finished unloading the rifle and climbed the tree to finish the day of hunting. Later during the same season, with 10 other hunters standing in a circle, I was removing the safety of my 270 with an open hand (After all we wouldn't want to bump the trigger a again would we?) when the gun discharged. Let me tell you! after that little explosion it was mighty quiet as I, shocked, embarrassed, and ashamed, looked at my friends 1 by 1 and heard myself say "I didn't touch the trigger that time." I finished unloading the rifle and finished the hunting season with my old standby 30-30 Winchester 94.

Following the gun deer season I took the gun back to the place where I bought it and had it repaired—at my expense. After all, one can't hunt with a gun that goes off when the safety is removed. The gun worked fine for three seasons. During the November 1986 gun season that same 270 discharged as the safety was removed blowing a 4" hole in the frozen ground a mere 2' from my left foot.

To say that I am disappointed with the safety feature of my Remington Model 700--270 would be an understatement. I feel this problem needs the attention that only Remington can give it. I can no longer use this rifle in its present condition. I cannot take that kind of chance with the lives of my wife, children or friends.