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Mr. Monty W. Lannoye
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Dear Mr. Lannoye:

Our experts have completed their examination of your Model 700 270 caliber rifle, serial number 362889, which we received less the stock assembly, and magazine components, with the alleged complaint that the rifle fired when closing the bolt, and when releasing the safety.

The returned firearm, which was produced in September of 1968, has been thoroughly examined and found to contain our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stamping, indicating that it had successfully passed all our necessary tests and inspections prior to shipment from our factory.

The general condition of the rifle appeared to be good for its age and, 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 produce any malfunctions. All tolerances and dimensions were found to be normal. However, it was noted that the sealant had been removed and not replaced on the over-travel adjustment screw, indicating that adjustments have been tampered with outside the factory. The trigger assembly contained an excessive amount of lubrication, the sear-safety cam was sticky with partially solidified oil (?) and was moving very sluggish.

It is entirely possible that in cold temperatures the oil accumulations in the trigger assembly caused the internal trigger components to hang-up, resulting in the malfunctions that were exper-