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Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is in response to the 60 MINUTES story on the quality of guns being sold in the United States that aired on Sunday, March 20, 1994. I did not personally watch the show, but my roommate did and he summarizing the theme of the story for me. He stated that parts of the story he said dealt with the discharge of the weapon when the safety was moved to the fire position (without pulling the trigger). I own many Remington guns and have experienced this on one of my guns on two separate occasions. The gun that this has happened on is a Model 700 BDL, 308-Win. Serial #A6430465 purchased on 11-27-92 at Harry's Army & Navy Stores in Robbinsville, N.J. 08691. The first occurrence of a unexpected discharge happened on Sunday 11-29-92 at a range in Crawford County, Pa. I shot about 6 to 8 rounds to check the sights of the weapon before going hunting. After looking at the targets I realized that the sights were adjusted fine and decided to stop shooting. One round was still left in the chamber of the gun. I was standing and I rested the gun against my leg, with the barrel pointed into the air. In order to open the bolt, the safety must be moved from the safety position to the fire position. As I moved the safety the gun discharged. This greatly upset me and my shooting partners, along with people on both sides of our shooting table. The second instance occurred at the range at Fort Dix N.J. A friend of mine, Mike Mulroy, was sitting at a table getting ready to shoot my gun. He asked me about the safety on the gun. As he moved it to the fire position, to his and mine dismay, the gun discharged without him touching the trigger. After hearing about the story on 60 MINUTES and my own experiences with this rifle, I am very concerned about this gun. I hope to be hearing from you shortly about this problems.

Sincerely,

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