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TO: G. E. Pinckney

FROM: S. M. Alvis

SUBJECT: MODEL 721 BUTT PLATES

Because of the present aluminum situation, arrangements were recently made to conserve the metal by using the present Sportsman-'48 (black) plastic butt plate on the Models 721-722 rifles.

As you know, a sample Stock sub-assembly fitted with one of the shotgun butt plates was sent down and we received word of approval, however, do not believe this was actually formalized by the Operations Committee. After giving this further consideration, we anticipate possibility of adverse complaints regarding use of a shotgun style of pattern on this butt plate. In other words, we believe that our customers will go along with use of plastic as a butt plate, but desire serrations or a pattern characteristic of what we have been using for rifles. For example, on the Model 521-T 22-Cal. butt plate we use plastic with serrations for the full length of the surface. It might also be practical to use a checkered pattern similar to the present aluminum plate, however, would anticipate higher die cost.

In view of the above, we have requested Merle Walker to work with the Plant and vendors in this connection and advise what might be worked out. If you have any thoughts on the subject, please let us know, and in the meantime, suggest that W. L. Clay review for Operations Committee action.

S. M. Alvis

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