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OPERATIONS COMMITTEE - ARMS DIVISION MEETING

Ilion
January 7, 1958

PRESENT: Members	Others
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SHOTGUNS

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MODEL 870

28 and 410 Gauges

Research and Development was delayed somewhat by Plant shutdowns in the end of December but they now expect to have sample guns in Model 870 and Sportsman-58 convertible between 28 and 410 gauges by January 15. Revised economics should be available by February 3.

At the last meeting it was suggested that the cost of introducing these guns might be reduced by using a 12 gauge receiver with a steel lined aluminum barrel similar to that used on the Model 572 Lightweight. Research and Development and the Ilion Plant are hesitant to pursue this at the present time for a number of reasons. With respect to acceptability, they are concerned about the large size of such a gun which might be unacceptable to the customer expecting a 28 or 410 gauge gun to be smaller than a 12 gauge. The gun would presumably also be muzzle light compared to the larger gauges. This would arise from the use of a standard receiver but a lighter barrel. It would be further compounded by the