

CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.MODEL 742X - AUTOLOADING CENTER FIRE - contd.

- . It is necessary to try to anticipate what the market will be several years from now. Everything will be more expensive.
- . The total competitive market is changing.

MODEL 700 BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE - IMPROVEMENTS
(Introduction 1974)

Production reported that it is expected that final assembly of the Model 700 improved rifle will begin August 15 as scheduled.

BDL Stocks are being produced at a 100 per day rate. Checkering is being done in the plant and by two vendors.

The Du Pont development program for the new N/C checkering machines is on schedule. Material deliveries are longer than anticipated but plans have been made to gain time in the assembly phase. One machine is to be shipped to Ilion the end of February and the other at the end of March, 1974.

Mechanical design is complete and all other design will be complete by the end of July. Mechanical parts are 95% ordered; all parts will be 95% ordered by the end of July. Software debugging is over 50% complete.

MODEL 788 BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE - INTERNATIONAL

R & D reported that it has recommended to International Sales that the Swedish military 7.62 NATO ammunition should not be considered for use in the Model 788 rifle. It may be possible to adapt either the Model 700 or 600 for use with this ammunition.

Marketing withdrew the request for a rifle for use with the Swedish 7.62 NATO ammunition. Reporting will be dropped.

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