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Dear Sir:

Examination has been completed on the Model 700 ADL, 30-06 caliber rifle, serial number 6788021, which you returned to us because it "had misfired while unloading".

The returned firearm, which was produced in October of 1974, has been thoroughly examined by our firearms experts who report that it contained our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all necessary tests prior to shipment from our factory.

The general condition of the gun appeared to be good, but it was noted the stock contained numerous mars and scratches. In addition, scope mounts and sling swivels had been added after the rifle left our facility. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace, recoil shoulders, and chamber all to be normal.

Examination and testing of the rifle and trigger assembly did not produce any malfunctions. All parts tolerances and dimensions were found to be normal, including sear-connector engagement. Also, factory seals were intact on the trigger adjustment screws, indicating no alterations were made on the trigger outside our company. Trigger pull was within our specifications at 5½ pounds.

Based on our findings, the rifle operates normally in every respect and, we can only assume that accidental contact was made with the trigger, with the safety in the "fire" position, which caused the rifle to fire.

We do want to be as helpful as possible, and even though there is nothing wrong with the present trigger assembly, we can replace it with a new one that will allow opening the bolt while the safety is in the "safe" position, at no-charge, in the hope that our customer's faith in the rifle is restored, or, the rifle can be re-