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Gentlemen:

Examination has been completed on the Model 700 243 caliber rifle, serial number 349138, that you returned with the alleged complaint that the rifle fired when closing the bolt.

The returned rifle, which was produced in May of 1968, has been thoroughly examined by our experts and found to contain high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all necessary tests and inspections prior to being shipped from our factory.

The general condition of the rifle appeared to be good, but well used. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal.

Examination of the rifle and trigger assembly could not duplicate the reported malfunction. Removal of the barrel-action from the stock assembly revealed that the trigger assembly, bolt stop, and bolt stop release was wet with excessive (oil)? Also, it was noted that the factory sealant had been removed and not replaced on the trigger engagement, trigger stop screw and weight of pull adjustment screw. Weight of pull was measured at 2 pounds, well below our minimum specifications of 3-1/2 pounds. These conditions indicate the adjustments have been tampered with outside the factory. In future use, we strongly recommend that oil be used sparingly and