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Mr. Richard Verardi
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Dear Mr. Verardi:

Examination has been completed on your Model 700 243 caliber BDL rifle, serial number 6539387, which you returned to us because the firing pin would not stay engaged.

Our experts found that the returned firearm, which was produced in March of 1972, contained our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all our necessary tests and inspections prior to shipment from our factory.

The general condition of the rifle appeared to be good, however, it was noted that the stock contained several mars and scratches. The black fore-end tip was found broken in half when the rifle was received. In going over the individual parts, we found the head-space, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal.

The initial testing and functioning of the rifle, in its as-received condition, revealed that the trigger assembly was not functioning properly, as the firing pin would follow-down when the bolt was closed; i.e. the rifle would not cock. Subsequent disassembly of the rifle disclosed that the sear safety cam was covered with a sticky substance and moved very sluggish, and the underside of the receiver and barrel was dripping wet with oil of some type and, the trigger assembly contained an excessive amount of both wet and solidified lubrication. It was also noted that the sealant had been removed and replaced with a red colored foreign substance on the over-travel adjustment screws, and weight of pull trigger adjustment screw, indicating that adjustments have been tampered with outside the factory.