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TO: W. H. Forson
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FROM: N. S. Wilson

SUBJECT: USMC - QUANTICO, VA.
PLANNING INQUIRY
SNIPER RIFLE/TARGET RIFLE

Chief Warrant Officer Goddard has an assignment to prepare the USMC Small Arms forecast for budgets in the 1983-84-85 time frame. Included in these projections are (a) initial replacement of all USMC Sniper rifles and (b) rimfire target rifles. Their Sniper rifle is a modified Remington 700, and their .22 Target rifle is our old M/40X.

Sniper Rifle. They requested information on receiver/action assembly only, since one of their modifications was the replacement of our chrome-moly barrel with stainless (416R) steel. They use a 24" length, .3080" bore. The present six land/groove rifling is under review and may be modified. The stock is fiberglass-camouflaged; the Redfield scope we mated to each rifle has been replaced with Unertls. Since our production run, we have entered the field of stainless barrels; they will consider our barreled action. Other parameters: Clip slotted action. Also, memory suggests we supplied 700 actions with 40X adjustable triggers (Please see if Ilion can pinpoint the exact specs).

Their first year replacement is estimated at 100 units. Stainless steel need not be colored. "First year", he thinks, is 1984-85, with ongoing replacements thereafter until the conversion has been completed.

Target Rifles. No quantity estimate given. Acquisition may occur a bit sooner, in 1983-84. They are aware of, but not familiar with, our current line of target rifles. It is recommended that they receive a test and evaluation consignment rifle of both the 40XR and 540XR styles.

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Price Estimates. Price estimates for a barreled action of the above description can be made, if the concept is acceptable to Remington, on current values. Also, current pricing can be applied to 40XR, 540XR Models. Quantico will factor in any inflation growth they feel is required to give them adequate budgetary coverage.

This letter invites (1) Policy O.K's, to consider the semi-non-standard barreled action and develop for it a price estimate.
(2) Approve a consignment for the test sample .22's.

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