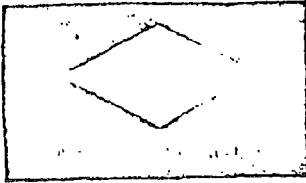


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Mr. W.J. Boettner,
Manager Far East & Latin American Sales,
Remington Arms Co. Inc.,
939 Barnum Ave.,
Bridgeport,
CONNECTICUT, U.S.A.

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Dear Bill,

SUBJECT: MODEL 700 TRIGGER SAFETY.

We have been advised of a fault in the Model 700 which potentially could be very serious.

The fault is the trigger adjusting screw working loose after several cockings. This results in the discharge of the rifle without using the trigger when the safety is released from "safe" to "fire". This recently resulted in a person being shot by a 700 ADL .243W (Serial 6463258).

It is obvious the owner of the rifle had removed the glue applied in the factory over the trigger adjusting screw and the trigger stop screw on the trigger housing assembly. We must accept the fact that people will remove this glue to adjust the screw and will not replace the glue.

Discussions with the N.S.W. Police and the Commonwealth Police lead to a probable solution - this is to either fit a lock nut or limit the amount of adjustment possible with this screw.

The N.S.W. Police have advised us that their report will state only the cause of the accident and not make any recommendations or place the blame directly on the rifle. There will be no publicity.

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Mr. W.J. Boettner,
SUBJECT: MODEL 700 TRIGGER SAFETY 2.

9th February, 1973.

The Commonwealth Police, through Bill Grist (whom you have met), will take no action in Sydney unless Canberra advise them to. Bill has advised Canberra of the circumstances and is awaiting a reply. He is quietly confident no action will eventuate.

We would appreciate your people looking into this matter and would appreciate an early reply to pass onto the two Police Departments.

Yours sincerely,
HOUSTEAD WOOD PTY. LTD.


G. WILLICK,
SALES REPRESENTATIVE.