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Augusta Jumper & Glass, Inc.
Attn: Mr. David Mims
1424 Broad St.
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Dear Mr. Mims:

In reference to our telephone conversation of February 27, 1981, examination has been completed on your Model 700 BDL 30-06 Springfield caliber rifle, serial number A6815020, which allegedly fired as the safety was moved to the "fire" position and bolt lift was started.

The returned firearm, which was produced in October of 1979, has been 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 our necessary tests prior to shipment.

The general condition of the gun appeared to be good; however, it was noted there were slight marks and scratches on the stock. In going over the individual parts, we found the headspace normal, recoil shoulders normal, and chamber normal.

Examination of the rifle and trigger assembly could not duplicate the incident that was reported. All parts tolerances and dimensions were found to be normal, including sear-connector engagement. Also, factory seals were intact on the trigger adjusting screws, indicating no alterations were made on the trigger outside our company. Trigger pull was within our specifications at 5 1/2 pounds.

Based on our findings, Remington Arms Company, Inc. cannot accept any liability or responsibility for the accident. It is possible that while you were moving the safety lever from the "safe" position