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April 12, 1980

Five Points Sport Shop
Attn: Mr. John L. ZaRuth, Mgr.
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Bangor, Pennsylvania 18013

Dear Mr. ZaRuth:

Examination has been completed on your customer's Model 700 ABL 308 Win. caliber rifle, serial number 6173996, which you returned to us when it allegedly fired when the safety was disengaged.

The returned firearm, which was produced in October of 1972, 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 like new and, 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 you have described. 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 well within our specifications at 4 pounds.

Based on our findings, Remington Arms Company, Inc., cannot accept any liability or responsibility for the incident. When the safety is in the "on safe" position, the sear is lifted off of the trigger connector. At this time, very little effort is required to pull the trigger rearward, allowing the connector to be moved away from under the sear and, in this condition, on moving the safety to the "fire" position, the rifle will fire if the trigger is touched.