

See attached letter.
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cc: E.F. Barrett
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December 18, 1979

Mr. James K. Maner, Jr.
Bostick Oil & Tire Distributors
P.O. Box 726
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Dear Mr. Maner:

Examination has been completed on your Model 700 BDL 270 Win. caliber rifle, serial number 6627830, which allegedly fired when the safety was pushed to the off position.

Our experts thoroughly examined the rifle and trigger assembly and 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 adjustment screws, indicating no alterations were made to the trigger outside of our Company.

Based on our findings, Remington Arms Company, Inc. cannot accept liability or responsibility for this incident. We can only assume that, as the safety was pushed to the off position, accidental contact was made with the trigger. 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 off position, the rifle will fire.

We trust that we have clarified the circumstances that could possibly have caused the accidental firing. The firearm can be returned as received, or, if you so desire and as a gesture of good will, even though there is nothing wrong with your present trigger assembly, we can replace it with another assembly at no charge. We will await your decision and reply.

Thank you for having afforded us this opportunity to examine your rifle and to be of service.

Sincerely,

J.A. Stakl, Supervisor
Firearms Product Service

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