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RE: Tommy Smith

Dear Mr. Hudson:

Examination has been completed on the returned Remington Model 700 ADL, .243 Win. caliber rifle, serial number A 6897821. Also received were six (6) live and seven (7) fired Remington .243 Win. cartridges, index R243W3.

The firearm which was produced in April 1980 contained our proof, gallery and final inspection stampings indicating it had passed all tests both metallurgically and manufacturing wise, prior to shipment.

As received, we found that on opening and closing the bolt with the safety switch in the fire position, the firing pin would follow down the cocking cam way and it would not cock for firing. With the safety switch in the on position, the firing pin would momentarily cock, but could fire by smartly hitting the stock. Measurements taken on the trigger pull varied between 12 to 20 oz., which was far below our factory minimum specifications of 3 lb.

Removal of the stock from the barrelled action and examination of the trigger assembly showed that the sealant on the trigger engagement screw located at the rear of the trigger assembly, was removed and the screw was turned to create zero sear engagement. This gross alteration was performed by someone after it had left our factory.

The owners manual that accompanied this firearm clearly stated that the "trigger pull has been factory adjusted. Should any adjustment be necessary, return rifle to factory or see a Remington approved Gunsmith."