bcc: E.F. Barrett
F.T. Millener
K.D. Green
R.B. Sperling
D.J. Sanita

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Dennis: Please hold this rifle for reply. Thank you, JAS

February 19, 1982

Surplus City, U.S.A. 4455 Hiway 80 West P.O. Box 20425 Jackson, Mississippi 39209

## Gentlemen:

Examination has been completed on your customer's Model 700 BDL 30-06 caliber rifle, serial number 6749631, which you returned to us because "when the safety is thrown off, the gun goes off".

The returned firearm, which was produced in May of 1974, 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 fair, and it was noted that a scope mount had been added after it originally left our factory. In addition, it was noted that the stock contained slight mars. In going over the individual parts, we found the headspace, recoil shoulders, and chamber all to be 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 factory. Trigger pull was well within our specifications at four (4) pounds.

Based on our findings, Remington Arms Company, Inc., cannot accept any liability or responsibility for the incidents. It is possible that while your customer was moving the safety lever from the "safe" to the "fire" position, he, at the same time inadvertently contacted the trigger. When the safety lever reached the "fire" position, the gun then discharged - as it is designed to do - because the trigger was being pulled with the rifle no longer on "safe".