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Remington Arms Co.  
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ATTN: Customer Relations

Gentlemen:

I read with great interest the article which appeared in the May 23, 1994 issue of Business Week regarding problems with Model 700 rifle.

I purchased a Model 700LH, Ser. No. A6488000, calibre .30-06 in 1978. I had two "surprise firing" incidents with the rifle the first season I had it, but put those up to it being new and my not being accustomed to it. Between 1979 and 1991 the rifle was not used because of my being geographically located away from Pennsylvania where I hunt.

In 1991 I had the rifle at deer camp and experienced another unintentional firing while loading it. A fellow camp member who witnessed this incident then also loaded it and had the same thing happen. I took the rifle to a gun dealer near our camp, and was told that while he had heard of the accidental discharge with Remington 700's before, he was unaware of any recall or corrective action recommended. Last Fall, I had another accidental discharge while loading the rifle, witnessed by two fellow camp members. To give you an idea of how little the rifle has been used, I still have several cartridges remaining from the original box. As an NRA member and very experienced hunter, I find it both frustrating and frightening to have a rifle which I like but which is clearly defective.

Since the accidental firing problem has now come to light, I would like Remington to make whatever repair or adjustment is needed to make my rifle safe. Please feel free to contact me at the above address or telephone number at your convenience.

Sincerely,

*Ralph H. Lightner, Jr.*

*7/22/94 Called Customer  
Agreed to return rifle -  
sent rifle for 7/22/94 - will return  
call try after for in mind*