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October 1, 1993

Mr. Mike Kantor Remington Arms Company Ilion, NY 13357

> Re: Model 7.243 Rifle Serial No. 7667686

Dear Kantor:

I am writing with regard to the Remington Model 7 .243 rifle which I purchased from the Mountain & Stream Sport Shop in October, 1991. As I explained to you during our telephone conversation, I purchased this gun for the use of my son. Upon purchasing the rifle in 1991 we immediately took it out to sight it in. While ejecting the third shell in this new rifle, the gun fired when I closed the bolt. I immediately took the gun back to the dealer and it was returned to you under repair order number 91-21193.

The gun was repaired and returned to me in a few weeks and we again sighted it in and took it deer hunting. During our hunt I was preparing to shoot a deer and while crouched behind my vehicle I flipped the safety off and the gun fired. Luckily the gun was pointed away from myself and my son, however, it damaged the fender and hood of my vehicle.

I am now returning the gun to you for inspection to determine why the gun malfunctioned. The gun has not been fired since the time it malfunctioned. I brought the gun home and placed it in my gun cabinet while I decided what to do about it. I have talked to several people and understand that there was a similar malfunction which resulted in a recall several years ago. I do not know whether this is the same problem, however, I do know that the gun fired when the safety lever was flipped off.

Pursuant to your request I am enclosing a copy of the estimate for the damage to my vehicle and also a copy of the invoice from Mountain & Stream Sport Shop where I purchased the rifle. I would appreciate very much either you or someone from Remington letting me know at your earliest convenience the results of your inspection of the qun.

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Needless to say I am "gun shy" as to this rifle and really don't want to use it or own it. Under the circumstances, I can't even sell it. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours very truly

Timothy R. Ruckman

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