

February 19, 1969

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Dear Mr. Duncan:

Thank you for your letter of January 19, 1969 and for the photograph and copy of the cover sheet of your patent.

By an interesting coincidence, it appears that your patent application and those of Remington employees, Chambers and Leek, were in the Patent Office at about the same time. The XP-100 Single Shot Pistol to which our Patents #3,255, 545 and Des. 201,366 apply started out using a .222 Remington cartridge but so much unburned powder remained at the end of the barrel that the design was revised to use a new cartridge which we identified as the .221 Remington "Fire Ball". This cartridge is particularly designed for optimum performance in pistol barrels and has proven to be a consistent performer.

We have not found people standing in line to buy the XP-100 pistol and if it were not for the fact that many of its components are interchangeable with one of our centerfire rifles, it would probably be dropped from the line. Accordingly, it would not be practicable for Remington to consider acquiring any rights to your design in which the significant functional difference is the inclusion of a five shot magazine. We have not found that the absence of a magazine has been a significant deterrent to sales of the XP-100 pistol.

We thank you for this opportunity to consider your design and return herewith your excellent colored photograph.

Very truly yours,

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