

P.I. YES GUN EXAMINATION REPORT NUMBER: 68 MODEL: 700 BDL
 GENERAL CONDITION: GOOD R # : 05858
 OUTSIDE WORK: SCOPE SCREWS AND SIGHTS DATE: 2-15-79
REMOVED FROM: KENNETH ARNOLD
 FIRED AMMO TYPE: UNKNOWN 3401 POSTWOOD
LUFKIN TEXAS
 & CONDITION: --- GUN # : A6427943
 PROOF: REP(2) INSP.: 45 TEST: 117 CODE: A-0-3-77
 HEADING: OK GA./CAL.: 2506
 BREACH OPENING: OK CHECKED BY: M HAROLD
 RECOIL SHOULDERS: OK APPROVED: SOL 3/10/79
 CHAMBER: OK APPROVED: WOLF
 TEST: --- APPROVED: 2-15-79
 COMPONENT CONDITION: (Damaged, Broken, Old Style) APPROVED: WAV 3-9-79
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 COMMENTS: unable to duplicate incident

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bcc: E.F. Barrett
E.G. Larson
J.E. Preiser
J.H. Chisnall
R.B. Sperling
F.D. Cole ✓

R-05858

March 16, 1979

Mr. Kenneth L. Arnold
3401 Rustwood
Lufkin, Texas 75901

Dear Mr. Arnold:

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We trust that we have clarified the circumstances that could possibly have caused the accidental firing and, as a gesture of good will, even though there is nothing wrong with your present trigger assembly, we can replace it with another assembly at no charge, to insure that your faith in the rifle is restored, or, the rifle can be returned as received. We will await your decision and reply.

Thank you for having afforded us this opportunity to examine your rifle and to be of service.

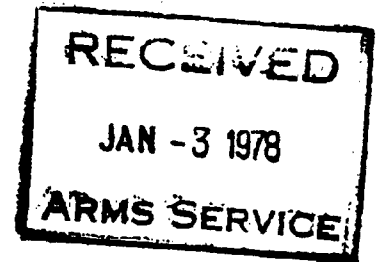
Sincerely,

J.A. Stékl, Supervisor
Firearms Product Service

JAS:tp

December 18, 1978

Remington Arms Company, Inc.
939 Barnum Avenue
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06602



Gentlemen:

Recently, I purchased a Remington Model 700 BDL, 25;06 rifle, serial no. A6427943. The gun is in excellent condition and was purchased as a used rifle from a local trader.

The gun has gone off twice now, once shooting a hole in the floorboard of my fathers truck and the second time knocking a chunk out of my front porch. Both times the safety was pushed foward to remove a shell from the chamber when the discharge occured. The trigger was not touched in either incident.

I haved carried the gun to three different gunsmiths and dealers concerning this matter. All three believe the trouble lies in the trigger. Each suggested I write a letter to you stating the problem and return the gun with the letter.

I have hardly shot a full box of shells through the rifle and the gunsmiths state that not much more than that was shot before I bought it. These incidents concern me greatly and I would like to correct the problem as soon as possible. No one has taken the gun apart to actually locate the trouble.

Please notify me of your procedures concerning such matters as this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kenneth L. Arnold".

Kenneth L. Arnold
3401 Rustwood
Lufkin, Texas 75901

ph. no. (713) 875-2865

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Mr. Kenneth L. Arnold
3401 Rustwood
Lufkin, Texas 75901

January 9, 1932

Dear Mr. Arnold:

Your letter of December 18th, in regards to your Remington Model 700, which was addressed to our Bridgeport, Conn. office, has been forwarded to this office for reply.

Under the circumstances, due to the nature of your complaint, may we suggest that you return the gun direct to our Arms Service Division, Ilion, N.Y., for our examination.

We would like to be of all possible assistance to you, therefore, we do suggest that you return the gun C.O.D., and we will be glad to accept the shipping charges.

Upon its receipt, you will be further advised of the gun's disposition.

When effecting its return, please tag with your name, address, and refer to this letter for identification.

Cordially,

F. D. Coleman

Arms Service Division

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F. D. Cole

Arms Service Division

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January 26, 1979

Remington Arms Company
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Arms Service Division
Ilion, New York 13357

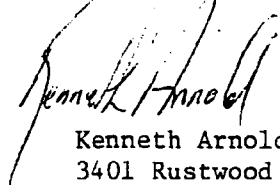
Dear Mr. Cole,

I am forwarding my gun as requested by you in the letter attached.

The gun itself is not tagged. You may wish to lable it.

I will be looking forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Arnold", is written over the typed name.

Kenneth Arnold
3401 Rustwood
Lufkin, Texas 75901

RECEIVING and ESTIMATE REPORT

ORDER R 05858

 AM. DATE 3-15-79 RECEIVED 3-15-79 ESTIMATED 3-27-79 VIA WP CHARGES MAR 28 1979
FROM KENNETH ARNDT3401 RUSTWOOD LUEKIN TEXAS
 MODEL and GRADE 700 BDL 25-06 Rem SERIAL NO. A6427943 DATE CODE A0
 GRADE CODE 3-77

FOR COMPUTER REFER. ONLY

				<u>L/SIGHTS</u>	REPAIR CHG. <u>80-55-</u>
				<u>PI</u>	INS. _____
					PARCEL POST _____

GUN CONDITION (New) (Slightly worn) (Very worn) (Misused) (Quote)

TOTAL _____

CUSTOMER'S COMPLAINT

New Trigger Housing assn
Fired on safety

MAIN FAULT

New Trigger Housing assn

GALLERY REPORT

 DEMERIT
CODE

2655 - Trigger Housing assn
Patish Chamber
OK to Ship

MAR 28 1979

(Clean) (Test) (Target)

Repairman CTH

bcc: E.F. Barrett
E.G. Larson
J.E. Preiser
J.H. Chisnall
R.B. Sperling
F.D. Cole

R-05858

*Received
3/17/79
Notified Person
able to return
as is*

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J. A. STEKL

April 5, 1979

J. A. Stekl, Supervisor
Firearms Product Service
Remington Arms Company
Ilion, New York, 13357

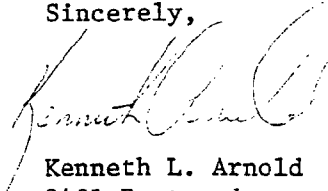
Dear Mr. Stekl,

I have hesitated in replying to your letter of March 16, 1979 to give myself time to study the text of your message.

I hardly see any point in replacing the trigger assembly but the offer to do so is appreciated.

Please return the gun "as is" and accept my thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Kenneth L. Arnold
3401 Rustwood
Lufkin, Texas 75901