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CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.

1969 Version - contd.

Blanks have been received for the semi-shrouded Bolt Assembly and these are being machined to prove out the tooling.

Production should start in October as scheduled.

350 and 6.5mm Rem. Magnum Calibers

Tooling for the 350 and 6.5mm Rem. Mag. calibers should be received in November. Assuming GFM added capacity is available, pilot Barrel production should start the latter part of November. The February 1969 warehouse date for the 350 Rem. Mag. and March 1969 for the 6.5mm Rem. Mag. calibers should be met.

MODEL 760 SLIDE ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE

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Tooling is available for the production of the Model 760,65m ADL rifle but since now operating at espacity to fill 1968 orders, pilot production is not scheduled to start until January 1969.

MODEL 742 AUTOBOADING CENTER FIRE RIFLE

A summary report and estimated economics of the teflon coating of Model 742 Action Bar Assembly, Bolt and Bolt Carrier is attached as Exhibit 2.

Marketing would like an improvement in the rifle. The teflon coating should provide an advertising feature to combat the growing customer interest in the new Browning rifle.

The production of the Model 742 autoloading rifle has always required a close control of manufacturing operations and the combination of various factors that affect performance of this model. At present when there is a significant increase in initial gallery testing rejects, a concentrated review is made to determine the cause so that immediate corrective