

SHOTGUNS - contd.THE 3200 SHOTGUN
(Introduction 1973)

R & D reported that the six guns, including the latest revisions, will be completed approximately April 15 for endurance and field testing. Five will be rebuilt guns from previous testing. One will be new and will include the proposed dog scene engraving.

Production reported that trial and pilot operations have started on major components. N/C machining operations on the Frame and Mono-Block are progressing satisfactorily and subsequent operations have been started. These two components will enter sub-assembly phases in March.

Three charts were presented: Overall Project Schedule (Exhibit 1), Critical Path Schedule (Exhibit 2), and Trial and Pilot Operations Schedule and Performance (Exhibit 3). Also a sample Frame and Mono-Block were shown. In discussing these schedules, attention was directed to the short time allowed for design modifications after initial production testing. 83

Marketing reported that the first high grade gun will be the 1 of 1000 Trap gun to be introduced in mid-1973. A schedule has been established for high grade models to follow. This program is designed to provide more rapid return of investment early in the model life.

Marketing expressed concern over the December, 1972 warehouse date for The 3200 Shotgun. Production guns should be available in October. The gun should be proven in production before samples are shown at sales meetings.

Production reported that there would be no vacation shutdown on The 3200 Shotgun work.

It was emphasized again that the introduction date for The 3200 Shotgun must be met.