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Remington Arms Co. Inc.  
1007 Market St. -- Brandywine Bldg.  
Wilmington, DE 19898

Attn.: Director of Consumer Affairs

Sir, I purchased a Remington 700 ADL (S/N - 6255392) in 30-06 caliber in 1967 or 1968 at Gibson's Dept. Store, Irving Texas. I have owned this gun since that time; it hasn't been touched by any gunsmith or anyone else since I bought it new. I have had (3) AD'S (Accidental Discharge) with this rifle. All 3 happened with the chamber loaded and the rifle discharged when I released the safety to unlock the bolt to empty the rifle.

The 1st AD happened while I was in a tree stand and the gun discharged into the ground. The 2nd happened when I was attempting to unload the rifle and released the safety and the gun discharged and went through the right hand door of my pickup. The 3rd time the rifle discharged while in my house and went through the frame of our china cabinet, which we still have, hole and all.

In 1975 I called Remington's toll free number to report these AD'S. The lady representative told me they did not have any problem with the Remington 700's only the shorter version. She took my name and address, but I never heard a word from anyone.

Tonight I was watching 60 minutes on Sunday Night TV and saw the piece on firearm safety. I am sure that you know what was said, as well as I do. I am a licensed Firearm's Dealer and have handled weapons of all kinds, since I was in my teens. I am now 50 years old so I can usually tell when a firearm is defective -- This rifle does not have any outward signs of a defect, however after the 3rd AD I would not loan the rifle to anyone. This included my Father In Law who was my Hunting Partner for many years. Also I would not allow either of my sons to use this rifle. Because, I knew the rifle is unsafe and dangerous.

I will expect and await your written answer.

Yours Truly,

*Ray Brown*  
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