

April 12, 1980

Mr. Dennis Diaz
1808 South 15th. Avenue
Yakima, Washington 98902

Dear Mr. Diaz:

Examination has been completed on your Model 700 Varmint Special 22/250 Rem. caliber rifle, serial number A6260722, which has allegedly fired on two (2) separate occasions when the safety was pushed to the "fire" position.

The returned firearm, which was produced in February of 1976, has been examined by our firearms experts who report that it contained our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all our necessary tests prior to shipment.

The general condition of the gun appeared to be poor and it was noted that a scope had been mounted after it originally left our factory and that the barrel channel had been opened up. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace normal, recoil shoulders normal, and chamber normal. The stock and barrel contained numerous scratches and mars, the floor plate and trigger guard are damaged and bent, and the trigger is bent and has rubbed on the bent trigger guard.

Examination of the rifle and trigger assembly could not duplicate the incident you have described. All parts tolerances and dimensions were found to be normal, including sear-connector engagement. Also, factory seals were intact on the trigger adjustment screws, indicating no alterations were made on the trigger outside our company. Trigger pull was well within our specifications at 4 pounds.

Based on our findings, Remington Arms Company, Inc., cannot accept any liability or responsibility for the incidents. When the safety is in the "on safe" position, the sear is lifted off of the trigger connector. At this time, very little effort is required to pull the trigger rearward, allowing the connector to be moved away from