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Mr. Tommy Whitton
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Dear Mr. Whitton:

Examination has been completed on the Model 700 BDL 30-06 caliber rifle, serial number B6219506, which you returned to us when it allegedly fired as the safety was moved to the "fire" position.

The returned rifle, which was produced in June of 1980, has been thoroughly 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 from our factory.

The general condition of the rifle appeared to be very good, but it was noted that the stock did contain slight dents and marks. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal.

Removal of the barreled-action from the stock revealed that the trigger-pull adjusting screw sealant had been removed and the screw adjusted after the gun left our factory. Trigger pull was measured at from $1\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 pounds, well below Remington's minimum specifications. It was further noted that, due to the improper adjustment, trigger retraction and sear-engagement were very inconsistent and would sometimes cause the firing pin to follow-down on cocking.

The Remington minimum trigger pull of 3 pounds has been established to assure that the trigger and connector are returned properly into a full engagement position under the sear-safety cam for safe and reliable operation. Your adjustment of the trigger pull, as not recommended by Remington in the owner's manual for this rifle, did cause malfunction of the rifle as evidenced by your experience as of the rifle firing upon release of the safety and the firing pin follow down malfunctions noted during our examination.

Inasmuch as the incidents you experienced resulted from a condition beyond our control, the Remington Arms Company, Inc. cannot assume any responsibility or liability for the damage to your home. However, we do want to be as helpful to you as possible and, as a gesture of good will, we will either re-adjust your present trigger assembly to our specifications or, if you desire, replace it with a trigger and safety assembly that will allow opening the bolt while the safety is