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TO: A. J. Greene  
FROM: S. H. Alvis  
SUBJECT: M/721 SAFETY

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*721. Quality*

We note from paragraph 3 in your letter of August 31st that the M/721 Rifle (Serial # 44580), which was examined by you failed to have a seal on the fire control adjusting screws. We were very much surprised to learn this because it is a standard practice for these screws to be sealed in Assembly, which has been in effect for at least a year. This gun was one which was drawn directly from warehouse stock and was not dismantled or inspected here.

In discussing the above incident with H. J. Hackman it is understood that they have had occasion to find these seals omitted when making their quality audit but it is very rare. He is investigating further and will advise as to any information which may develop.

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