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 Mr. S. H. Alvis ✓  
 Mr. S. W. Rose

Bridgeport, Connecticut,

October 8, 1956

TO: MR. J. H. MILLER,

From: Mr. J. H. Lewis, Jr.,

Subject: MODEL ROY - DESIGN - FIRE CONTROL MECHANISM  
Capt. Benjamin Nathan

Upon receipt of our copy of Mr. Alvis' letter of October 2, 1956, to you, we borrowed your file for a review of the subject, and return your file herewith.

We must suggest, however, that more caution should be exercised in receiving and in encouraging the submission of ideas from the outside without following the procedures set forth in the "Remington Procedure for Handling Outside Suggestions". This material is reproduced as Part 12, Item 4, of the Research and Development Procedures Manual, and copies of this part were widely distributed in January 1956 for the guidance of all Remington personnel having occasion to handle outside correspondence. I am sure that one or more copies were sent to Foreign Sales.

Remington personnel should not, as set forth in the Procedures Manual, review an outside suggestion until they have:

- 1- Warned the suggestor that he should consider carefully the adequacy with which he has protected his patent rights, and
- 2- Secured the suggestor's signature on a copy of the "Form Release" included as an Exhibit in the Procedures Manual.

Neither step has been taken here. We suggest that your reply convey to Capt. Nathan our thanks for his continued interest in our rifle and quote the reasons given by Mr. Alvis to explain why we cannot adopt his design.