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Substance of letter to be sent to parties known to be  
modifying our Model 700 bolt assembly with an AR-15 extractor

Recently, Remington received from a custom shop for evaluation a Model 700 - 222 Remington bolt assembly fitted with AR-15 extractor, ejector removal, and shroud sleeve modifications. Our evaluation consisted of comparative high pressure testing of a standard Remington design and the altered bolt assembly. The following is a summation of the findings derived from our tests.

Major amounts of gas and other debris exited the port area and major gun damage resulted from the firing of a full case (23 grains) of 4227 handload due to lack of case head support with the altered bolt assembly. No major failure was recorded with the standard bolt assembly when firing the same handload.

Our tests indicate that this modification of our present Model 700 - 222 bolt assembly can be a dangerous practice and should be discontinued for shooter safety. Remington has a strong interest in making sure that its products are not being used in any way that could cause personal injury. Consequently, we must insist that modifications of the type discussed above be immediately discontinued until the present problems inherent in said modifications can be satisfactorily corrected.

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