

The Australian Commonwealth Police in conjunction with the Department of Customs and Excise have siezed all 700 and 5418 firearms offour recent shipments and will not release them until we undertake to correct what they declare is an unsafe trigger mechanism.

This current problem is the result of a situation described in our letter 9th February, 1973 to which you subsequently replied 8th March, 1973.

The adhesive that you apply to the various adjusting screws is inadequate according to our authorities and we have to provide a locking nut to both the trigger adjusting screw and the trigger engagement screw (both part no. 1705) on model 700). We are not required to install a lock nut on the trigger stop screw.

Are you able to help us immediately with a countity of 200 trigger screws similar to 17053 but about 1/8 to 3/16 longer complete with a locking nut?

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We have not yet received a 5415 into Australia prior to this problem, nor do we have a parts break down shear to confirm the type and size of the various trigger screws. If the 5415 trigger is different to the 700 we will require a quantity of 12 only longer screws and lock nuts to fit the 5415 also.

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Please attend to this request immediately as we are involved in bond storage charges and also have no stock to sell of these items until this problem is resolved.

We must resolve this problem quickly and then consider orders outstanding for shipment as these too must be rectified.

The writer has been involved in personal discussions with the authorities and there is no likelihood of any other solution being acceptable. We trust you will help us promptly.

Yours sincerely, BOUSTEAD WOOD PTY. LTD. D. TIETYEN MANAGER. 2 of 2

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