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for your use in developing a better
Bolt Action Gun
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Ilion, New York
March 5, 1980

SAFETY-RELATED COMPLAINTS-BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLES
JULY, 1979 - JANUARY, 1980

In response to Earl Larson's letter to D. J. Sanita dated January 23, 1980, the following data is supplied. Listed are items where Bolt Action firearms were returned for a safety complaint. We have been previously reporting on all customer returned Model 700's that failed the trick test and fires off safe (see attached letter).

<u>Model</u>	<u>Production for the Period</u>	<u>Complaints</u>	<u>Total No. Unable to Duplicate</u>	<u>Total No. Verified</u>
700	83,862	133	89	44
788	14,735	10	4	6
600	-	5	3	2
660	-	1	-	1
721	-	1	1	-
722	-	1	-	1
725	-	1	-	1

Complaints - Unable to DuplicateTotal No.I. Model 700

1) Rifle discharged when Safety is released	54
2) Trigger stiff - misfires	1
3) Follows Down	4
4) Bolt closes hard and discharges	2
5) Delayed firing	5
6) Fires on closing Bolt when unloading	3
7) Rifle discharged when Bolt handle raised	2
8) Push Safety to "Off" position - slight touch of Trigger and rifle discharges	1
9) Accidental discharge	5
10) Fires on closing	8
11) Safety does not work	1
12) Defective Safety - works hard	1
13) Faulty Trigger - gun goes off	1
14) Goes off prematurely	1
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Complaints Unable to Duplicate - Contd.Total No.II. Model 788

- 1) Fires on Safe
- 2) Fires when chambering round
- 3) Fires on closing
- 4) Close Bolt with Safety on - discharges

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1
1
 $\frac{1}{4}$

III. Model 600

- 1) Follows Down
- 2) Safety doesn't work
- 3) Fails to fire when Trigger pulled,
Fires on closing and
Fires when Safety released

1
1
 $\frac{1}{3}$

IV. Model 721

- 1) Fires on closing

$\frac{1}{1}$

Complaints VerifiedI. Model 700Complaints:1) Rifle discharges when Safety is released

Total No. = 19

Causes:No.

- a) Insufficient Sear lift
- b) Trigger bent
- c) Adjusting screws adjusted
outside of factory
- d) Safety Detent ball missing
- e) Excess oil in housing
- f) Interior of housing dirty
- g) Excess movement of Trigger
- h) Trigger binds on Trigger Guard
- i) Excess clearance - Trigger and
Trigger Pin
- j) Safety not responsive

3
1
8
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1

2) Follows Down

Total No. = 8

Causes:No.

- a) Sear binds
- b) Adjusting Screws adjusted
outside of factory
- c) Connector broken
- d) Engagement surfaces of Sear
and Connector chipped

4
2
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Complaints Verified Contd.I. Model 700 - Contd.3) Accidental Discharge

Total No. = 2

Causes:No.

- a) Insufficient Sear lift
- b) Adjusting Screws adjusted outside of factory

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1

4) Safety Does Not Work

Total No. = 3

Causes:No.

- a) Safety clearance cut in Stock miscut
- b) Safety binds in Receiver
- c) Detent ball missing

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5) Fires on Closing

Total No. = 4

Causes:No.

- a) Interior of housing dirty - oily
- b) Sear rubs in housing
- c) Adjusting Screws adjusted outside of factory
- d) Connector broken

1
1
1
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6) Rifle Discharges with Safety On

Total No. = 2

Causes:No.

- a) Trigger binds on Trigger Guard (could not verify on Safe - only when Safety released)
- b) Safety not responsive (could not verify full on Safe - only null location)

1
1

7) Trigger Will Not Work

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

- a) Chip lodged in front of Trigger

1

8) Trigger Pull Light

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

- a) Adjusting Screws adjusted outside of factory

1

Complaints Verified Contd.I. Model 700 - Contd.9) Safety Malfunction

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

- a) Follows down - housing very
-
- dirty - Sear sluggish

1

10) Gun Has Gone Off Several Times

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

- a) Follows down - adjusting Screws
-
- adjusted outside of factory

1

11) Delayed Firing

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

- a) Safety interferes with top
-
- of Stock

1

12) Trigger Has Hesitation

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

- a) Adjusting Screws adjusted
-
- outside of factory

1

Total Verified 44

II. Model 788Complaints:1) Rifle Discharged When Safety is Released

Total No. = 2

Cause:No.

- a) Insufficient Sear Lift
-
- b) Steel chip embedded in housing
-
- (Trigger not retracting under
-
- Sear fully)

1

1

2) Safety Defective

Total No. = 3

Cause:No.

- a) Trigger and Sear altered
-
- outside of factory
-
- b) Safety works hard
-
- c) Foreign substances in
-
- Receiver and on Bolt Stop

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Complaints Verified Contd.II. Model 788 - Contd.3) Misfires

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

a) Safety hits top of Stock

1

Total Verified 6

III. Model 600Complaints:1) Trigger Will Not Move

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.

a) Excessive Sear engagement

1

2) Trigger Defective

Total No. = 1

Cause:No.a) Follows down - Housing dirty
Sear binds

1

Total Verified 2

IV. Model 660Complaints:

Total No. = 1

1) Fires on Closing and Opening BoltCause:No.a) Housing not centered in Firing
Pin head slot in Receiver

1

V. Model 725Complaints:

Total No. = 1

1) Accidental DischargeCause:No.

a) No Sear lift - Fire Control worn

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Complaints Verified Contd.

VI. Model 722

Complaints:

1) Rifle Discharges When Safety is Released

Total No. = 1

Cause:

No.

a) Insufficient lift

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