

REMINGTON ARMS COMPANY, INC.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE



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EXHIBIT 32

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SUBJECT: FLOOR PLATE LATCH FOR BOLT ACTION CARBINE WITH
STAMPED TRIGGER GUARD

I have made a patent search on the latch shown in Drawings C-91840, '841, '843, '850; B-91845, '848; and an unnumbered assembly drawing you signed on April 1. Nothing has been found that could raise any risk of patent infringement if Remington adopts this design.

There are any number of patents showing examples of magazine or floor plate latches of the type having a pivot pin mounted in the receiver, in the magazine, or in the trigger guard. None of these is any more similar to your design than the Model 700 floor plate latch you showed me. As one example generally illustrating the type of designs shown in prior patents, I am enclosing a copy of Patent 667,856 - Wagner.

On the basis of this search, it appears to me that we may be able to secure some patent protection on the new latch, and I will undertake to prepare an application.

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