

# IN THE NEWS RELEASE

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BRIDGEPORT, Ct., October 25, 1978 -- On October 23, 1978, a product liability case against Remington Arms Company, Inc., and one of its dealers was settled for \$6,800,000 by Remington's insurance carriers. The case involved an alleged accidental discharge of a Mohawk Model 600 rifle manufactured by Remington. Injuries to the plaintiff were extremely serious, leaving him partially paralyzed. The plaintiff alleged that at the time the gun fired the trigger was not pulled. Remington's investigation indicated that this was unlikely but possible due to the fact that under certain unusual circumstances the safety selector and trigger could be manipulated in such a way that subsequently moving the selector to the fire position could result in accidental discharge. Settlement costs are substantially covered by the Company's liability insurance.

A recall program has been initiated in connection with Mohawk Model 600 rifles and Remington Model 600 and 560 rifles and XP-100 pistols manufactured prior to February 1975.

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October 24, 1978

*via telephone call*

Today, the Remington Arms Company, Inc., announced the recall of Models 600, 660, Mohawk 600, ~~and 660~~<sup>RP-160</sup> bolt action guns, produced prior to February, 1975, because of a possible safety problem.

As a Remington Recommended Gunsmith, your shop has been listed with an 800 Enterprise message receiving center in Atlanta, Georgia. Upon receipt of a call from an owner of one of the guns involved, the message receiving center will direct him to the Remington Recommended Gunsmith located geographically nearest to him, for repair of the gun. We estimate you may receive up to 200 of these guns for repair.

To provide the simplest and most positive repair, you will be supplied with new trigger assemblies for replacement of the original. The repair will be done at no charge to the gun owner.

Our Arms Service section reports that the replacement of the trigger assembly can be made in 7-1/2 to 10 minutes. Based on this, we plan to allow you a \$5.00 bench charge for this work. Where transportation or other special handling costs are involved, we will reimburse you.

While full details have not been developed, we did want to give you this advance notice, and we will contact you in the very near future, covering all details.

Meanwhile, should any guns be returned to you, please record the date, name, address, zip code, and serial number and caliber of the gun, and hold until you have our instructions.

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*This went to participating Jew as well.*

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TELEGRAM

Thank you for agreeing to assist us in the installation of a new trigger assembly in Remington 600, Model 660 and Mohawk 600, and XP-100 pistols, covered by our recall.

Our toll free Message Center is advising customers in your area of your availability to make this installation.

We are sending you under separate cover special repair and information forms, plus an initial supply of replacement trigger assemblies.

For your information, Remington will assume full and complete responsibility for any and all claims that may arise out of the design or manufacture of the trigger assembly provided to you by Remington for this modification.

The <sup>only</sup> guns included in the recall are all Remington Model 600 and 660 rifles, and all Mohawk Model 600 rifles, except those with a serial number starting with an "A". Also included in the recall are any XP-100 pistols with a serial number between 0001 and 7,507,983.

If you have any questions, please call Ed Sienkiewicz collect at (315) 894-9961.

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Person calls in on 800 numbers, asks for Operator 61 or Remington  
recall information.

Operator asks for Model No. \_\_\_\_\_ & Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_.

Checks Model and Serial Number blocks for recalled guns -

if gun is not involved, inform caller  
and thank him.

if gun is part of recall, operator will ask for

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

The operator will say:

"Remington recommends prior to any further usage of your gun  
that you bring it directly to a selected gunsmith in your  
area for inspection and modification which will be done free  
of charge. If you have a pencil and paper handy, the closest  
gunsmith is\* \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any further questions you should write to:

Remington Arms Company, Inc.  
Box EGL  
Bridgeport, Ct. 06602"

\*The phone number will be used to determine the nearest Remington  
gunsmith (out of 179).

If there is more than one gunsmith in the area, the caller will be  
given a name and address. The gunsmiths will be rotated after each  
call to assure a balance of customers per gunsmith.

# REMINGTON ARMS COMPANY, INC. Trigger Assembly Special Replacement Program

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GUNSMITH

GUN OWNER

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

(Area Code)

(Area Code)

Control No. \_\_\_\_\_

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## (B) FIREARMS INFORMATION

Model (Check One)

- ☐ 1. Rem 600
- ☐ 2. Rem 660
- ☐ 3. Mohawk 600
- ☐ 4. XP-100

Caliber (Check One)

- ☐ 1. 222 Rem.
- ☐ 2. 6mm Rem.
- ☐ 3. 243 Win.
- ☐ 4. 308 Win.
- ☐ 5. 6.5mm Rem. Mag.

Caliber (Check One)

- ☐ 6. 350 Rem. Mag.
- ☐ 7. 35 Rem.
- ☐ 8. 223 Rem.
- ☐ 9. 221 Rem. "Fireball"
- ☐ 10. Rechambered

Serial No.

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## (C) MODIFICATION INFORMATION

Method Gun Received From Owner:

(Check One)

- ☐ Hand Delivered
- ☐ UPS
- ☐ U.S. Mail
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Specify)

Date Gun Received From Owner

Estimated Completion Date

Month Day Year

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IMPORTANT — This Copy Must Be Completed and Mailed Immediately Upon Receipt of Gun.

PARTS CONTROL COPY

(completed form to be mailed immediately upon receipt of gun)

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We have set up toll free numbers to handle gun owner complaints. These numbers will be in operation beginning Saturday, October 28;

In Connecticut 800-972-9379

Outside Connecticut 800-243-9275

We are doing everything possible to expedite shipment of replacement trigger assemblies; however, the initial supply will be limited. Because these trigger assemblies are the only ones approved for this replacement program, please do not use trigger assemblies you may have in stock.

If you have Model 600 series trigger assemblies in inventory, return them to us freight collect and we will credit your account.

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	<u>Rem. M/600</u>	<u>Rem. M/660</u>	<u>Mohawk 600</u>	<u>Total</u>
1963	100	--	--	100
1964	25,279	--	--	25,279
1965	24,851	--	--	24,851
1966	22,307	--	--	22,307
1967	19,061	87	--	19,148
1968	2,488	24,373	--	26,861
1969	--	14,196	--	14,196
1970	2	7,694	--	7,696
1971	--	3,993	4,979	8,972
1972	--	193	4,961	5,154
1973	--	--	8,739	8,739
1974	--	--	12,110	12,110
1975	--	--	13,120	13,120
1976	--	--	13,318	13,318
1977	--	--	17,631	17,631
1978	--	--	16,927	16,927
			(as of 10/18)	
TOTAL	94,088	50,536	91,785	236,409

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