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March 20, 1970

IN REPLY REFER TO BI47112

Mr. Emory L. Brown, Jr.
Route 4, Box 82
Squankum Road
Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

Dear Mr. Brown:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 7 regarding 6.5 MM Mannlicher-Carcano ammunition.

The bullet jacket is composed of 10 per cent zinc and 90 per cent copper. There would be very little difference between our bullet and those produced by the Italians inasmuch as we used Italian drawings for our design. We would not expect an appreciable difference between our bullet and the Italian bullet in regards to animal tissue penetration or deformation or fragmentation.

Trusting that this clarifies any questions you may have had, I remain

Yours very truly,

Howard G. Boker

Product Service Manager East Alton Operations

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March 7, 1970

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Winchester-Western East Alton, Illinois 62024

Attention: Mr. Howard G. Boker Product Service Manager

Dear Mr. Boker:

Thank you for your letter of 26 February in reply to my inquiry of 14 February concerning the 6.5x52mm Mannlicher-Carcano ammunition. Your reply to the questions asked in my letter would have been most appreciated, as I require such data for research that I am presently involved in. I am therefore taking the liberty of writting you again in this regard.

It seems that there are several types of jacketed bullets used for military purposes, Cupro-nickel, copper gilding with tin and zinc and plated steel jackets. Of which variety were those manufactured by your company during and immediately following the Second World War?

With regards to the bullet loaded into your WWII 6.5s and those loaded into the imported rounds of Italian manufacture, would you please advise me as to whether or not one could expect them to have degree of deformation during tissue penetration?

Your reply to the foregoing questions would be most appreciated.

Sincerely,



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February 26, 1970

IN REPLY REFER TO BI47112

Mr. Emory L. Brown, Jr.
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Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

Dear Mr. Brown:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated February 14 regarding 6.5 MM Mannlicher-Carcano ammunition.

The cartridges you referenced were manufactured by our company during and immediately after World War II. All production was of military type and produced at the request of the Government. The ammunition became the property of our government or our allies and was never offered for sale or use for sporting purposes.

Thanking you for writing to us and assuring you that we are pleased to have been of assistance, I remain

Yours very truly

Howard G. Boker

Product Service Manager East Alton Operations EMORY L BROWN, JR.

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February 14, 1970

Ammunition Product Service Manager Sales Department Winchester-Western East Alton, Illinois 62024

Dear Sir:

Subject: 6.5x52mm Mannlicher-Carcano cartridge of Western Cartridge Company manufacture during WW II

I need your assistance in obtaining the following information on the above mentioned cartridge for a research project that I am now involved in.

- 1. Can you tell me what the percentage of each of the several metals used to form the jacket of this particular bullet was?
- 2. Could you tell me or speculate as to whether there would be any appreciable difference between your bullet and those produced by the Italians?
- 3. With regards to animal tissue penetration, would you say that your bullet and those of Italian manufacture would probably be affected in about the same way, as far as deformation or fragmentation?

Your kind reply to the above questions would be very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,