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FIREARMS BULLETIN #10-1

TO: ALL REGULATED FIREARMS DEALERS

SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON .22 CALIBER RIM FIRE "ASSAULT WEAPONS"

The purpose of this bulletin is to disseminate information pertaining to .22 caliber rim fire semiautomatic rifles that are reproductions or imitations of an assault weapon.

In recent years manufacturers began producing reproductions or imitations of various assault weapons as defined in Public Safety Title 5, subtitle 1, section 101(P)(2) in .22 caliber rim fire. A firearm that is cosmetically similar alone does not make it a "copy" of an assault weapon.

Therefore, the Maryland State Police Firearms Registration Section will no longer require an individual to complete an Application to Purchase a Regulated Firearm (MSP 77R-1, 77R-2, 77R-3) for a semiautomatic .22 caliber rim fire rifle that is only cosmetically similar to an assault weapon. The individual will have to complete and comply with any Federal Regulations regarding the purchase of firearms.

It is hoped that the information in this bulletin regarding these reproductions or imitations of assault weapons in .22 caliber rim fire will help your business comply with the various State and Federal laws. If you have any questions about this information please contact the Firearms Registration Section at 410-653-4500.

Sincerely,

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