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Mr. Benjamin Cannon
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Re: JP Rifles CTR-02

Dear Mr. Cannon:

I am writing in response to your letter to Tim Rieger dated September 20, 2005. You asked about the legality of purchasing and possessing a JP Rifles CTR-02 in California. As you pointed out in your letter, that particular make and model is not listed as an assault weapon in the list promulgated by the Department in response to the *Harrot v. County of Kings* case.

As long as the rifle does not have the characteristics listed in Penal Code section 12276.1(a)(1), (a)(2) or (a)(3), it is legal to purchase and possess in California. You should be aware, however, that the JP Rifles CTR-02 is virtually identical to rifles that are now listed as assault weapons by the Department, and may be considered an assault weapon in the near future.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alison Merrilees".

ALISON MERRILEES
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For **BILL LOCKYER**
Attorney General