

**Rauner, Allan (A.H.)**

**From:** Oscar Romero [oromero@gw.ford.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 19, 1999 3:41 PM  
**To:** arauner@mail.ford.com  
**Subject:** RE: [Fwd: Venezuela Knock Down Kits]

MY 96 Explorer assembled in FoV: 4,769 units  
MY 97 Explorer assembled in Fov: 12,435 units  
My 98 " " " " : 5,403 units  
These units were sold in Colombia and Venezuela.

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96 4769  
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Regards,  
Oscar Romero  
FOV Vehicle Standards, Validation and Service Eng.  
Tlf: Ford Dialnet 9-1-7650-145 Fax: 9-1-7650-311  
\*\*\* Forwarding note from ARAUNER -FORDNA1 05/19/99 09:56  
To: OROMERO -FORDMAIL Romero, Oscar (O.)

**From:** Rauner, Allan (A.H.)  
**Subject:** RE: [Fwd: Venezuela Knock Down Kits]

You import knock down kits for Explorers. I need the number of '96 and '97 kits you have sold.

Allan Rauner  
Explorer OPD Chassis  
Tire and Wheel Engineer  
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313-390-6744 (fax)  
ARAUNER@FORD.COM  
36 months and counting

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Oscar Romero [mailto:oromero@gw.ford.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 19, 1999 9:00 AM  
**To:** vcolatru@gw.ford.com  
**Cc:** dlugo@gw.ford.com; adasilva@gw.ford.com; arauner@mail.ford.com;  
jzambran@gw.ford.com  
**Subject:** [Fwd: Venezuela Knock Down Kits]

We received approximately 1500 units in Colombia in 1995.  
We build the Explorer locally, so we do not import.  
As for tire problems, we are analyzing a recall on a local tire issue that  
see  
ms to apply to imported tires.  
These tires blow up or loose there tread when car is driven continuously  
above  
140 km/hr. The situation has become critical in the Venezuelan Guiana where  
customers will drive their Explorer for at least 2 hours continuously at  
speeds  
close to 160 km/hr. Tire life expectancy is averaged at 40.000 km, but we  
have  
seen cases under 20.000 km.  
We checked with Firestone and they informed us that at bench test, full load  
ca  
pacity, 160 km/hr, the local tires will last no more then 24 minutes, and  
import  
ts no more then 8 minutes.  
We are also analyzing F150, which uses same tire.  
Do you need additional info?

Regards,  
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\*\*\* Forwarding note from VCOLATRU--DRBN006 05/18/99 10:46 \*\*\*  
To: GROMERO --DRBN007 DLUGO --DRBN007  
JZAMBRAN--DRBN007  
cc: ARAUNER --FORDNA1 VCOLATRU--DRBN006

FROM: VINCE COLATRUGLIO USAET(UTC -04:00)  
Subject: Venezuela Knock Down Kits-Explorer

Allen Rauner (Explorer-Tire/Wheel Engineer) is investigating a Tire and Wheel issue on 1996 and 1997 Explorers. Can someone in your activity or at your plant inform Allen how many 1996 and 1997 Explorers were sent to South America.

Regards,  
VINCE COLATRUGLIO, South American Regional Specialist  
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\*\*\* Forwarding note from DGLASS --FORDSMTP 05/18/99 07:27 \*\*\*  
To: VCOLATRU--FORDMAIL Vince Colatruglio ABARROS --FORDNA1 Andre Barros  
cc: ARAUNER --FORDNA1

From: Diana B. Glass  
Subject: [Fwd: Venezuela Knock Down Kits]

Vince or Andre,  
How many 96 and 97 Explorers were sent to South America, specifically Venezuela? There is an investigation into a potential recall, and Allan is looking for this information.

----- Part 2

\*\*\* Forwarded Message \*\*\*  
From: Rauner, Allan (A.H.)  
To: Gumz, Melanie (M.)  
Glass, Diana (D.)  
Subject: Venezuela Knock Down Kits

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----- Part 3

Do either of you know how I can get the Venezuela knock down kits sent in '96 and '97.

Thanks.

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