## Herron, William

From:

Leach, Joshua

Sent:

Wednesday, 11 April 2012 9:22 AM

To:

Leach Joshua

Subject:

Details for MARS matter: 981045 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Security Classification:

**UNCLASSIFIED** 

Matter id: 981045

Complainant: Anonymous

Contact name: Address: City: State: NSW

Post code: 2000

Fax:

Mobile: N/A Home phone: N/A Work phone: N/A

Email:

Trader(s): Pro Teeth Whitening (Aust) Pty Ltd

Description: C wants to remain anonymous.

C is concerned about the Take-Home Whitening Kits sold in various pharmacies.

## C asks:

1) whether T is required to state in the product where the product is manufactured

- 2) T stated on the product: "8 shades whiter teeth in 2 days!". C asks, it is misleading as C tried the product and his teeth did not 'whiten' after 2 days.
- 3) T states, 'Australia's Advanced Take-home kits' is M&D as it means products are manufactured in Australia.

Advice given: 1) No requirement to state country of origin under TPA. But any rep made must be accurate. 2) Rep must be made on a reasonable basis. If a rep turns out to be inaccurate, it may raise concerns under s52. Info is logged to est POC.

3) Whether a rep is M&D depends on the overall impression it creates in the mind of a reasonable consumer. le whether a reasonable consumer would take that phrase to mean that the product is manuf in Aus. Ultimately, only a court can say yes or no.

Conduct details: Part: V Section: 52

Industry details: teeth whitening

ANZSIC code: 1841

Description: Misleading or deceptive conduct: Other