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Facts: An EU alcohol brand (hereinafter "A Company") encountered CFT challenges in China.



(A bottle of wine consists of an external container and an internal liquid. An external container includes a bottle and a cap, collectively known as dry goods.)



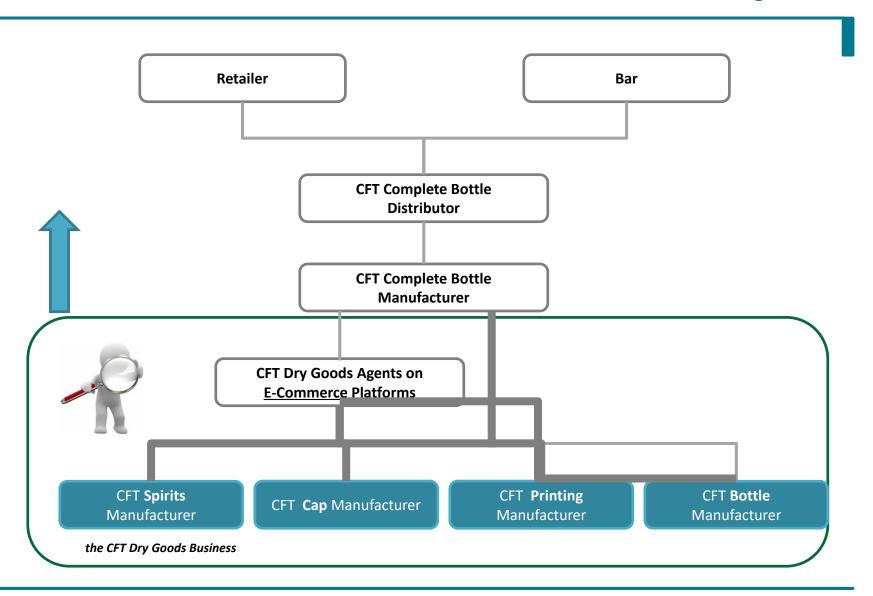


# Why?

- Flowcharts of counterfeiting spirit
- Data analysis in four years
- Why more dry goods counterfeits: economic reason?
- What if we do not stop counterfeit bottles or cap now?
- Why civil litigation?

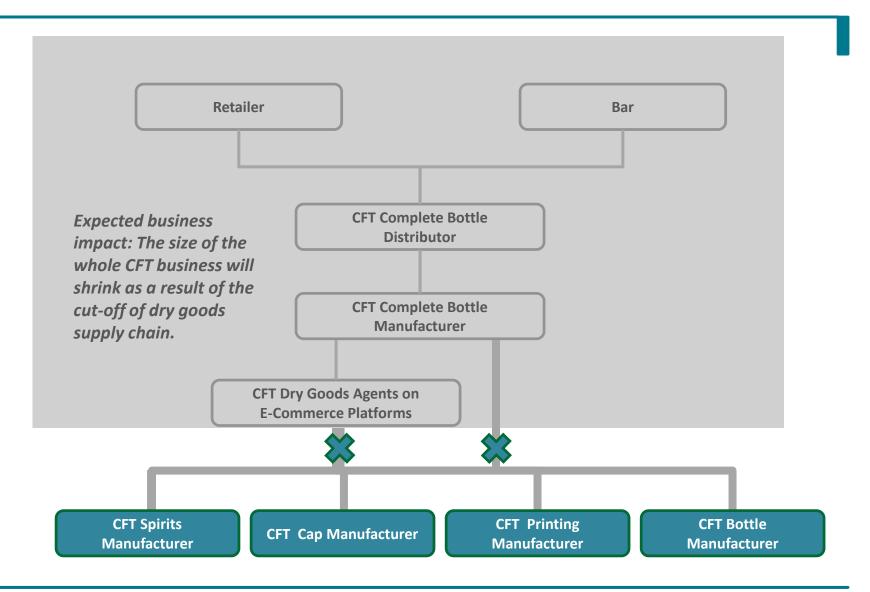
















# **Recycled** Counterfeit **bottles bottles** Bigger profits margin Smaller profits margin Same legal risks Same legal risks Any other reasons? We need to find out.

Average price of recycled bottle: RMB 10/bottle

Average price of counterfeit bottle: RMB 2/bottle







2. Lower market price of counterfeit bottle/cap



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5. More chance to generate CFT profit margin

3. Stimulated counterfeiting spirit market









 Sending a strong message to the CFT industry to curb the rampancy

 Putting a complete stop against the most aggressive dry goods manufacturers

Thorough understanding of the glass bottle/cap industry in the dry goods counterfeits' hot spots

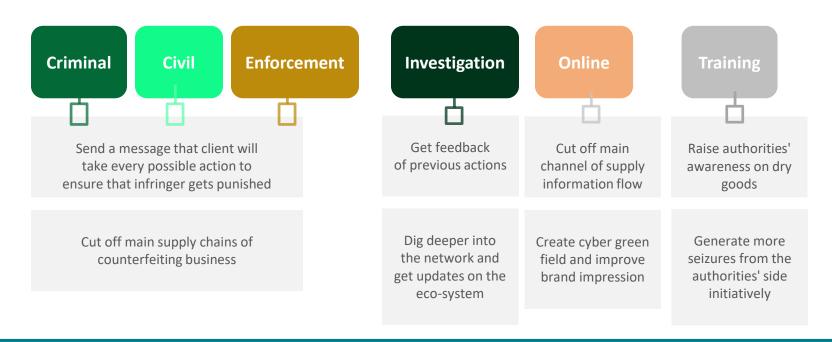




## **MAIN PURPOSE**

To cut off the supply chain of counterfeit production and thereby bring the counterfeit rate down

## **MEASURES & EXPECTED EFFECTS**







## Step 1: Enforcement options



- Criminal prosecution
- Strong deterrent effect
- High threshold and not transparent
- No substantial monetary penalty



- Administrative enforcement
- Swift
- Local protectionism is a barrier
- Minimum penalty
- The deterrent effect is limited



- Civil litigation
- High transparency
- Cause monetary and reputational damages to the infringer





- The penalty set in the PD is too light and the local AIC did not set specific date to destruct the bottles.
- ➤ Three defendants were all granted probation in the criminal judgment. is too light and the local AIC did not set specific date to destruct the bottles.
- > The PSB dropped the criminal procedure.





# Step 2: So many targets, but which target is our "lucky boy"?

 Infringing Infringing • Assets: have • Position in the Other activity is clear history and reasonable local industry: if considerations: scale: repeated such as the and straight assets to they are a forward. Either infringer, or enforce, leading the target was production including car, company, our business name raided before, volume of real estate, action against it and address, or we can counterfeits is reasonable will exert a comparatively deposit in bank. bigger influence manage to arrange big. IP assets will on the local notarized also be industry. considered. purchase or another administrative enforcement against them.





# **Evidence collection** such as previous enforcement records, notarized **Assets information** purchase, etc collection to ensure the targets have assets to be enforced





- Investigation shows that nearly all dry goods businesses apply **production-on-order-only pattern**.
- Investigation shows that nearly all dry goods businesses only accept orders from "acquaintance".
- Online monitor and investigation shows that a common pattern of the O2O dry goods business is that several companies (factories) in the same area hire <u>a same sales agent</u> who posts listings for all factories.
- Criminal case files reveal that dry goods business transaction is often originated from <a href="mailto:online.contact">online contact</a> (such as joining a QQ group).

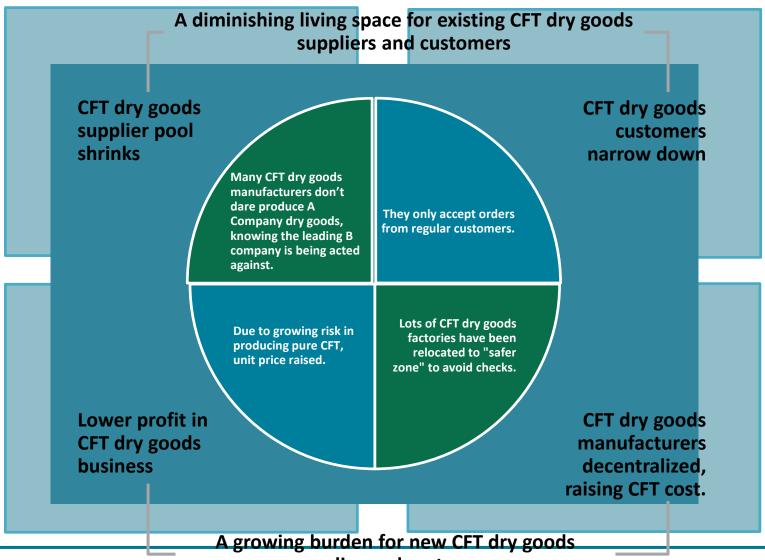




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## Work flow of online action and investigation

#### Ascertain online searching The dry goods market is not for ordinary range (1688 & Alibaba) consumers, so B2B platforms shall be **Online** preferred search range. Use A Company product key Investigation words to search Conducted respectively by three teams in order to ensure the Involve authority to follow the lead investigation findings are not biased. Arrange webpage notary for all identified infringing targets CFT stock Does target meet criteria Initial contacts such as phone found or Yes 🥆 Onsite visit Filter criteria for onsite call and online check suspicious of manufacturer / big nvestigation? so? scale trading No No company Submit infringing links to E-■in key locations commerce platforms whose name appeared in PSB's other campaigns as a related party Is submission Is escalation Supplement complaint letter to Arrange warning letter to the supported by supported by platforms to escalate target directly platforms? platforms? Yes Yes Monitor the target regularly for new links If new links Yes identified? √ No ROUSE Close the process, put target 17 on watch list







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The new E-Commerce Law has brought a positive impact on intellectual property protection. The most related Articles are as follows:

Article 10 E-commerce business operators shall complete market entity registration formalities pursuant to the law, except for individuals selling self-produced agricultural products and home-made handicraft products, and individuals using their own skills to engage in convenient labour activities and sporadic small transactions for which licensing is not required by law, as well as e-commerce business operators who are not required to register pursuant to the laws and administrative regulations.

Article 15 E-commerce business operators shall display, prominently and continuously on their homepage, their business licence information, administrative licensing information relating to their business operation, and information that they are not required to complete market entity registration pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 of this Law, or hyperlinks of the aforesaid information. Where there is any change to the information stipulated in the preceding paragraph, the e-commerce business operators shall promptly update and announce the information.





Article 15 of the new E-Commerce Law will make it easier for right holders to target infringing manufacturers.

Because Article 15 requires e-commerce operators to publish business license information and administrative licensing information related to their business, which greatly alleviates the difficulty to locate the defendant's information that right-holders may encounter in the process of locating the target.





# Impact of the new E-Commerce law

## Taobao

#### 卖家信息





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创店时间: 2014-02-05

卖家信用: 67031 🚇 🚇 🚇



经营类型: 经销代理/代购

营业执照注册号:

#### 公司简介

CN潮牌,经营VANS范斯、NIKE耐克、ASICS亚瑟士、CONVERSE匡威等品牌鞋、服装、背包等,专柜渠道货源,正品有保障 CN潮牌,经营VANS范斯、NIKE耐克、ASICS亚瑟士、CONVERSE匡威等品牌鞋、服装、背包等,专柜渠道货源,正品有保障

#### 店铺服务



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卖家当前保证金余额 ¥5000 元

若卖家未履行上述承诺,淘宝使用保证金 进行先行赔付。了解赔付流程

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企业注册号: 企业名称:爱

类 型:有 住 所:上 法定代表人:

成立时间:2012-06-28 注册资本:210万欧元

营业期限: 2012-06-28至2042-06-27

经营范围:男装、女装、童装、婴儿装、内衣、服饰、泳衣、家用饰品、针纺织品、服装面料及辅料、太阳镜、香水香料、护肤产品、化妆品及相关用品、皮革制品、手表、人造首饰、鞋类、眼镜、婴儿车、纤维织品、厨房用具、卫生洁具、五金交电、文化用品、钟表、箱包、日用百货、床上用品、工艺品(文物除外)、文具用品、布艺产品、洗涤用品、精油、芳香类制品、室内除臭剂、灯具、花卉、干花、纸制品、陶瓷制品、金属制品(钢材除外)、竹木制品、橡塑制品、玻璃制品、卫生用品、玩具、婴儿用品及上述产品零部件的批发、网上零售、进出口、佣金代理(拍卖的除外),提供相关的配套业务、售后服务和咨询服务。(不涉及国营贸易管理商品,涉及配额、许可证管理商品的,按国家有关规定办理申请)。【依法须经批准的项目,经相关部门批准后方可开展经营活

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