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On 24 October 2017 the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) launched a new report regarding intellectual property rights infringement and domain name abuse.

Namely, in a two month period between December 2016 and January 2017, more than 27,000 e-shops in four EU Member States may have marketed products which infringe trade marks. The report shows that of these e-shops, over 21,000 were using domain names that had previously been registered in the name of others.

The four studied Member States were Spain, Sweden, Germany and the UK.

The report is a follow-up on the 2016 EUIPO report on Online Business Models Infringing Intellectual Property Rights, which detailed a business practice in Denmark and showed that this model is also used to market goods to consumers in Sweden, Germany, UK and Spain, and possibly other EU Member States.

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