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Submitted Via Portal
Registry Services, LLC
GoDaddy Registry Operating Company, LLC
https://domainabuse.registry.godaddy/s/

Re: Impersonation of the Federal Trade Commission by a Domain Registered by Registry Services / GoDaddy Registry Operating Company, LLC (together, "GoDaddy")

Dear GoDaddy:

I write to inform you that https://federaltradecommission.co ("federaltradecommission.co"), a website registered by GoDaddy, appears to impersonate the Federal Trade Commission. In addition to using the entirety of the Federal Trade Commission's official government agency name as its second-level domain, the website also uses the FTC's name, in full, at the top of its landing page. As shown in the attached screenshot, the website in no way disclaims a relationship to or affiliation with the government which, while a disclosure is not *per se* curative, furthers the apparent impersonation.

The FTC is not affiliated with the entities or individuals operating federaltradecommission.co. Please be advised that it is a violation of the Rule on Impersonation of Government and Businesses ("Impersonator Rule"), 16 C.F.R. § 461, to "materially and falsely pose as, directly or by implication, a government entity or officer."

We hope to hear from you promptly regarding this important consumer protection matter. In that communication, we would appreciate it if you would please provide data or other information identifying any other webpages associated with federaltradecommission.co. Please respond directly, and direct any questions, to Sara Tonnesen, stonnesen@ftc.gov or 202-326-2879.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lois C. Greisman
Lois C. Greisman

Attachment

GoDaddy Airo Go from idea to live site in minutes. Get 50 free credits Start for free

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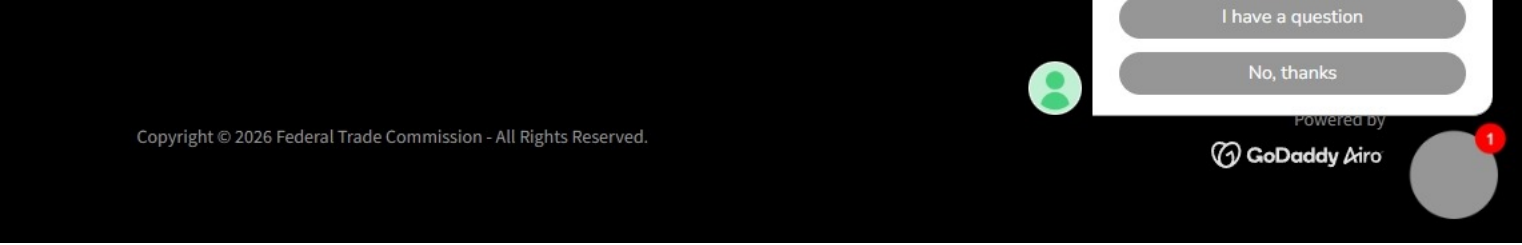

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