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19 Feb 2021

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured \$30,870 in penalties in court against the operators of a Perth manufacturer of custom-fit floor, boot and cargo mats for vehicles.

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12 Feb 2021

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured a total of \$256,000 in penalties in court, including for five 'serious contraventions' under the Protecting Vulnerable Workers laws, against a Melbourne toy retailer company and its director for deliberately underpaying migrant employees.

Note: Allegations outlined in the FWO's media releases relating to the commencement of litigation reflect those put forward in our Statement of Claim at the time of filing. Some details may vary over the course of the proceeding.

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