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“YOU’VE MADE ME LOOK GOOD” – BARACK OBAMA

Singapore, 10th November 2009. A renowned artist, Mr. Young, created history by painting a dual portrait of President Obama depicting the hope people have on him to bring about the much needed change. It was presented to President Obama at the Annual NAACP Convention in Ohio, USA, where it received an unprecedented honour. Looking at the painting, President Obama like it so much that he endorsed the painting with his signature and said, “You’ve made me look good.”

Young created the portrait after receiving an invitation to attend a reception for the President during the NAACP Annual Convention held in Cincinnati, Ohio. Speaking on the occasion, Young said, “When I handed my card to President Obama, he said he knew my work and it was all worth it. He told the crowd that I was a legend. I felt I received the greatest honour of my artistic life.”

Young has signed the Indian owned Singapore based boutique investment banking advisors, DeConseil Pte Ltd to advise him on a private art deal for this only Barack Obama portrait signed by President Obama himself.

Speaking on the deal, Mr. Gaurav Shah, Group MD & CEO said, “This is indeed a very special project for me. President Obama is the *change* that people across the globe look up to. He is an inspiration, a change of the millennium and the one who has taken humanism to a new height. And this historic painting symbolises that *hope*, which he has given the world.”

Gaurav further added, “We are very pleased that Mr. Young has signed us as exclusive advisors for this very special project. It is a great pleasure for Singapore that President Obama will be attending the APEC Summit in Singapore on 14th – 15th November.”

About DeConseil Pte. Ltd., Singapore

Founded in 2007 by experienced professionals, DeConseil is an exciting young company to work with because of its expertise, experience and a dynamic work culture. The culture across the group is based on our fundamental client-first vision. We are driven by a collaborative culture of problem-solving to add value in our services to our clients.

It is our belief that the critical ingredient for unlocking the potential of any business is a blend of leadership and a financial support system, both of which are scarce in supply. It is this belief that has given rise to DeGroup, where we look to assemble both of these scarce but critical resources.

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About Mr. Gaurav Shah, Group MD & CEO, DeGroup

Mr. Gaurav Shah is the Group Managing Director & CEO of the DeGroup and is currently based in Singapore. He has a degree in Business Administration from Mumbai University. Gaurav, 30, has worked with TAS, VNPL, NetCore, JPMC.

During his professional journey he has lived in various countries including India, Hong Kong, and Singapore. He has closely worked with clients like Wockhardt Hospitals, Actis Biologics, amongst others.

Gaurav brings in the necessary global experience, business acumen and intelligence to run a niche group of companies successfully and help clients truly optimize their critical resources.
