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**TESTIMONIAL**

**Mr Yousouf Jhugroo**

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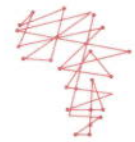
**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

It gives me great pleasure to write this testimonial for Mr Yousouf Jhugroo. I feel competent to do so as I have known him fairly well during the time he was associated with the campaign for the protection of consumer in Mauritius. Though this association dates back to the late 1980's principally, I believe that it is very relevant to his present endeavours, and gives a fair reflection on his sense of commitment and his driving force to any project he takes on.

Yousouf was the founder of ICP (Institute for Consumer Protection - a successful organisation that was funded by the Government. In his capacity as ICP CEO, Yousouf was led to work with various international and multilateral bodies such as Consumers International, IBFAN (International Baby Food Action Network), The International Code Documentation Centre, WHO and UNICEF.

It was in his capacity as CEO of the ICP that I first encountered Yousouf in the late 1980s when I was working at the Attorney General's Office as a Senior Crown Counsel (as the post was then styled). I was deputed by the Office to discuss and work with him towards the elaboration of a proposed legislation to regulate the marketing of breastmilk substitutes in Mauritius based on the WHO International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes.

Yousouf was also appointed UNICEF Consultant and worked in many African countries to assist with putting in place policies, processes and procedures for the implantation of the UNICEF



Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative. He worked in both Anglophone and Francophone African countries. Yousouf was also appointed by the Government of Mauritius on various Boards, such as the Mauritius Standards Bureau, the Central Water Authority, Central Electricity Board. He also sat on the Mauritius Assay Office and participated regularly in Consultation meetings with the Bank of Mauritius still in his role as observer of consumer protection rights. During his 11 years of stewardship of ICP, Yousouf was working closely with the Mauritius Economic Council and Mauritius Chamber of Commerce and Industry as well as with Trade Unions such as the Mauritius Labour Congress.

Yousouf presented a weekly programme on consumer issues on national television and radio over many years. He also wrote a weekly column in a national newspaper (L'Express) on compliance issues.

I have also knowledge of the incisive action of Yousouf in exposing a financial scam when ICP, under his leadership, investigated and reported on the clandestine operation of a fake Islamic bank in Mauritius, which turned out to be a Ponzi Scheme. The perpetrators were arrested and the activities of the so-called 'bank' were closed down.

It is safe to say that Yousouf has left an indelible imprint in the field of Consumer Protection in Mauritius, which has him earned a reputation that is still standing to his credit on the Island in spite of the years he spent out of the country.

I know that Yousouf is presently involved in the field of Compliance and he is the Chief Executive of Compliance and Risk Consultancy (CRC) based in London. CRC is proposing to roll out in Africa and in Mauritius to provide consultancy services and training, and I am confident that Yousouf will give the best of himself in realising his project.

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