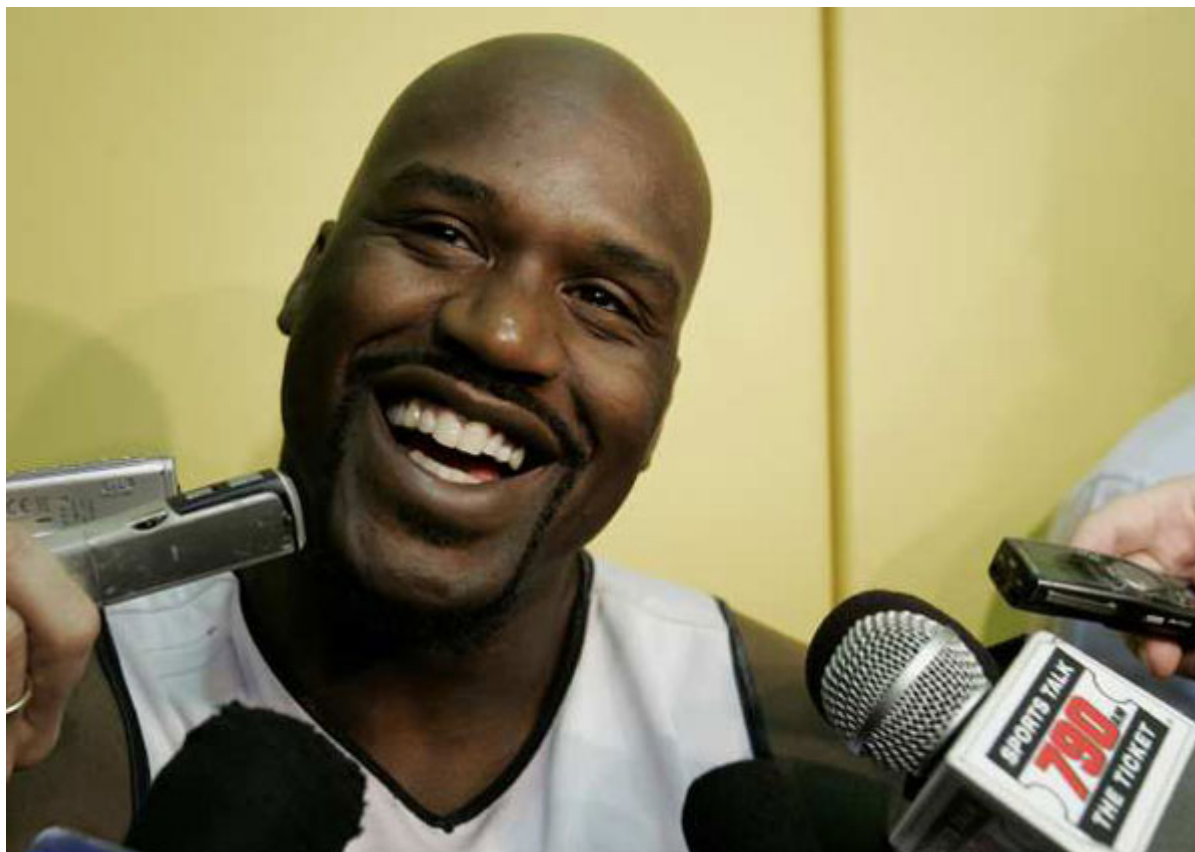


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### Shaquille O Neal Retires-Via Twitter

After 19 years Shaquille O Neal is calling it QUITs!! Yesterday, he announce on Twitter via video. Celtics spokesman Jeff Twiss says that O'Neal has not notified the team of his plans.

"It was a pleasure to play with the Big Fella," Celtics teammate Kevin Garnett through a statement released by his management company. "It was most definitely a life experience. My big brother from a different mother. It's love all day and I wish him nothing but the best. The game's gonna miss you. Look out world, here comes Shaq."

"He's a giant," commissioner David Stern said Wednesday at the NBA Finals in Miami. "He's physically imposing; he has an imposing smile. In the game, he imposed his will, and he has done it for quite a long time. It's been a great run here, and we're going to miss him greatly. We hope we can find ways to keep him involved in the game."

Stern added later in a statement: "On behalf of the NBA, its teams, and his millions of fans around the world, I want to thank Shaq for everything he has meant to the league and to the sport of basketball, both on and off the court. We wish him and his family all the best."

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