

Dip. Ing. Guenter Gehrke
Brandenburgische Str. 16
1000 Berlin 12
West Germany

July 14, 83

To whom it may concern.

During my 20 years' academic involvement at the Technical University in Berlin, tutoring in Technical Mechanics, lecturing in Civil Engineering and Engineering Mathematics, and researching and publishing on the matters of aluminium and copper-zinc products, I was always concerned to find some sort of clue to life with its very profound universal background, especially in my study of theoretical physics.

As a well-educated Christian and scientist, I couldn't trust the Christian-made jealous omnipotent God, who is supposed to have created the universe in six days, taking one day off and since then never showed up again. I do trust in godliness but I can't trust such an irresponsible God.

On my spiritual search I met Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, practising the so-called "siddhis", Patanjali's most esoteric and ego-fulfilling yoga techniques and two years later I met Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, first through his non-traditional meditation techniques, various religious books, audio and video tapes.

Bhagwan's comments cover a tremendously wide range of science and wisdom I never met before; he speaks on any subject with such a great insight that I couldn't stop listening to him and living his devices and advices.

Of the siddhis I got taught by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, he told me on August 18, 1980: "Guenter, it is not that I am not aware that there are many hidden powers in man, but I don't want you to become interested in them. Hence I say simply that they are stupid, and there are far more miraculous things happening all around. Become interested in them, because my whole effort here is to help your spiritual growth, not to hinder it". Feeling his overwhelming love, also by giving me advices Bhagwan brought me back to my senses from many power trips I really did not enjoy.

Bhagwan's meditation techniques and comments helped me loosening up and enjoying my whole life much more with a certain lightness and awareness, naturally including my research and lecturing in mathematics which more and more I recognized with Bhagwan's help as my special meditation.


Guenter Gehrke

EXHIBIT "A-1470"