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To whom it may concern

In my quality as lecturer in the subjects sociology, philosophy and pedagogics at the 'Johann-Wolfgang-v. Goethe-University Frankfurt/Main', holding a doctorate in philosophy and a diplome in sociology, engaged in the research on and having published about the process of individuation in today's society, I have been involved in the teachings of the spiritual Master Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, Having known some of his disciples in my seminars and having read many of his lectures I want to stress the unique approach and message which this Master makes available to us today: that individuation and personal growth is not a matter of ideologies, an intellectual question, but the courage to take one's own responsibility day by day. Whereas in the history of Social Sciences the critic, negative, head-oriented attitude against the existing society has always prevailed, he shows clear ways how to come out of man's misery by seeing directly the truth about oneself beyond judgements, being life-affirmative, responsible, creative, joyful. The attitude and contribution of Rajneesh's disciples as students in our university and, as far as I can see, as people engaged in social professions, is qualitatively different; it testifies that Bhagwan reaches his people not only through the head but helps them to grow instantly and practically on all levels of their personality. It is a joy to watch them. And Rajneesh's perhaps greatest merit: to clarify for us our dark heritage of religious upbringing, freeing our mind and heart from the moral confusion and showing how the quality of religiousness, which he teaches brings real transformation and liberation. I am sure that the teaching of this religious Master and the practical guidance he gives to his disciples and to whomsoever is open for it today is the most profound contribution of a man of our age to the question how we can master our lives in peace and freedom. His work earns support not only from America, but from all countries and from all conscious and responsible citizens in the East and the West.

Yours faithfully

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