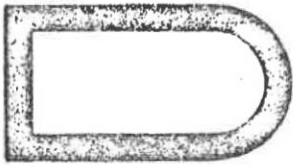


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Dear Director:

As Chief Executive Officer of Engineering Design & Development and as a citizen of substantial merit in the U.S. Government Defense Supply System, I request that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh be granted full residency in the U.S.A.

His presence supports our integrity & silent meditation.

Kindest regards,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. P. Cronin', written over a horizontal line.

D. P. Cronin  
President

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