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To whom it may concern:

It has come to my notice of late that there is some question concerning the acceptability of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh being admitted as a resident of the United States of America.

As a qualified Clinical Psychologist and a recent visitor to Rajneeshpuram I would like to put on record my own impressions of both the man and his work in relation to the profession I have been concerned with for the past 15 years.

Psychotherapists the world over, myself included, have increasingly recognised that the understanding of Humanistic Psychology concerning the problems of the individual today, is limited. Therapists are in greater need today than ever before of a deep and universal understanding of man, based on their own insights into the nature of personal growth. In all my years of clinical research, therapeutic practice and everyday dealings with the public I have found no-one in any field to match Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh in exactly this universal understanding of man's nature and situation, in both health and disease.

I feel that the contribution of this

man to the field is basically two-fold :— firstly, the very wisdom and insight of his own teachings in published and recorded form, and secondly, and conversely, the very nature of the man himself, the powerful air of silence and love that surrounds him has enabled many thousands of people, including many of international repute in all kinds of professions, to come to their own deeper understanding of man's present predicament. He has not only advanced the science of psychology directly but has also been a powerful agent for other change in other workers in the profession.

It is my very strong opinion that he not only be allowed but even encouraged to remain in the United States for as long as man is interested in working out his own salvation.

Yours faithfully,

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