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To whom it may concern,

Just this past year I became a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh. The fact that he, at that time had gone into silence made my connection with him more real than it had been previously. Somehow the words are not so important for my experience of closeness with him. The first contact I had of him was through his books five or six years ago. My interest in what he was saying since that time was always re-kindle whenever a book of his became available to me. Eventually his energy came more into my life through other disciples I had heard about and later came to meet.

Coming closer to him now has me living at Rayneeshram where we are involved in creating his vision of a city which is being built as an act of worship. The influence that transforms the work into worship is the attitude of everyone who lives here. That attitude is communicated by him, now, not through

words, but rather by his silence and by his presence here. Just as the experience of the ocean is communicated by itself, not by words of the ocean so too, the vision of Bhagwan is communicated to me by his presence. This vision, shared by his paryavritis could be the cause of the incredible number of projects here and around the world, & perhaps it is Bhagwan's love for us that is the impetus behind the high level of energy experienced by many. I don't know, however, the energy of the Buddhafield is experienced every year at the festivals when being with him in silent communion re-establishes the connection. For myself, this energy is the creative source of my life. This connection with him, which is solely experiential was the impetus toward my becoming a disciple. The connection is love, and being here with him has defined the word for me.

Most Sincerely
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