

AUGUST 7, 1983

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I TOOK SANNYAS FEBRUARY 16, 1983,
'AFTER PARTICIPATING IN AN ENCOUNTER GROUP
LED BY ONE OF BHAGWAN'S TOP DISCIPLES,
SWAMI ANAND TEERTHA. BHAGWAN CHANNELS
HIS ENERGY THROUGH HIS GROUP LEADERS.
THEY ARE VEHICLES FOR THE TRANSFORMATION
OFFERED THROUGH ENCOUNTER THERAPY.
WE ALL IN TURN SHARE IN A HEART TO HEART
COMMUNION WITH OUR BELOVED MASTER.
THIS COMMUNION IS VERY POWERFUL AND
TRANSCENDS THE SPOKEN WORDS FROM HIS PAST
WHICH WE STILL LISTEN TO QUOTE OFTEN.
HIS SILENCE IS FAR FROM BEING AN OBSTACLE
TO OUR GROWTH. HIS SILENCE IS THE NATURAL
OUTGROWTH OF HIS TEACHING. THE TRUTH HAS
BEEN STATED AND LIKE A GOOD ATTORNEY
HE RESTS HIS CASE.

SWAMI ANAND SHUNNAM
"BLISS OF EMPTINESS"

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