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To whom it concerns

I am a diplom-physicist, 34 years old, and I am living in Hamburg, West Germany. In Erlangen I was studying theoretical physics and my main subjects were thermodynamics, hydrodynamics, kinetic theory of gases and mathematics. After my study I was working as an expert for noise protection, sound propagation and air pollution.

I made efforts for conscious inner growth and harmony and was reading books about human psychology, written by western scientists, and about christian and eastern ways to live a harmonic life and to become aware of the divine in man and existence. I was practising techniques of autogenous training and meditation as well as karate and tai chi. My experience shows, that these conscious efforts are the right way to more inner strength, independence and peace. And the great religions are teaching, that one has first to look for an inner harmony, then an outer harmony will follow by itself.

In 1978 I have heard the first time of the enlightened master Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and I read books of him and heard some of his cassettes. I immediately was touched by his beautiful simple words and I felt the deep wisdom in these simple words. Bhagwan has spoken about every important religion in the world and when we look at the innumerable quantity of books, that are written about mystics, yoga, occultism and also modern methods of human psychotherapy, then the teachings of Bhagwan give a unique survey of this immense province. And his view must be very unique.

Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh shows the essence of the main religions in the world and he also told about the efforts, that human beings can do for their spiritual growth and for reaching the core of the religions. These efforts and natural possibilities are awareness, meditation, prayer, love, joy, growth groups, body work and creative life.

Until today, a conscious religious life, in which a man explores deeper and deeper his own inner being, was lived by very few communities or by spiritual well developed persons. The presence of

the enlightened master Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh opens the door to an alive religious existence for a greater number of people. One of the reasons is, that the group therapy is available and helps to understand his own wishes or reactions and those of other peoples, and to become more and more centered in his own being.

In daily life the sannyasins of Bhagwan are living in all kinds of social classes. And one person is stronger, the other person may be weaker. With his presence, Bhagwan is creating a Buddhafield, that means a field of great positive psychic and spiritual energy in his community of sannyasins. This energyfield helps the sannyasins to grow and it is well to feel in Rajneeshpuram and also in Rajneesh meditation centers. And as one knows, that the presence of a happy man can make other people happy too, one of Bhagwan's visions is, that the joy of his sannyasins has a positive influence to the world, in which they live.

In the United States exist meditation centers of some real spiritual teachers, that can help their disciples on their spiritual way. One of them is the enlightened guru Paramahansa Yogananda, who's body died 1952 in Los Angeles. Yogananda founded the Self-Realization Fellowship in 1920, an organization of immense worth for the spiritual seeker. Other spiritual teachers are Yogi Bajan and Swami Muktananda, who's body died last year, and Pir Inayat Khan, e.g.

I was in Rajneeshpuram from June 28. until July 11., 1983. And I was very much impressed by the presence of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and by the life of his sannyasins in the new founded city. I want to take sannyas, because Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh is a living enlightened master.

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