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To whom it may concern:

My name is Jeffrey M. Dietrich. I am a graduate of Antioch College with a B.A. degree in Biology. I am currently living in Switzerland organizing wilderness trips for Europeans to the U.S. My first contact with Bhagwan came through my sister, who became <sup>his</sup> ~~a~~ student (Sannyasin) during a time I was working as a Therapeutic Wilderness Counselor in Salina Kansas. After reading a number of Bhagwan's books I began to fathom the depth of his intelligence. The program I worked for at the time involved taking mal-adjusted children, in cooperation with the public school system on wilderness explorations throughout the southwest. Away from the society and family where their problems were born, these children

in the setting of nature, relaxed and learned to open themselves to each other. The strong physical activity, our counseling, and the calming quality of the wilderness made many of the childrens previous problems disappear on a much grander scale. Bhagwan is doing the something today in Oregon with his Sannyasins. He recognizes that the human being in the world today, like the children I worked with, are out of adjustment with their natural selves, and through his teachings and techniques he is creating a way to live that returns this harmony to the human being. For many people in the world today Bhagwan's teaching, through his books and centers, are a valuable source of inspiration and guidance. For many others Bhagwan has become a threat because he exposes sharply the unhealthy state of our society and its educational, religious, economic and political institutions. But it is this very force that is necessary to separate ourselves from our

past to begin with a new vision. This vision can be seen as a living reality in Oregon today; where his sannyasins are learning the simple art of loving and laughing. Whether you ~~are~~ love him as his sannyasin or despise him, it makes little difference, for both are signs of his genius. He has made an impact on all the world who knows him, and any force that generates such energy in the present sleepy spiritual state of Mankind, can only be seen as positive and growthful

Thank you  
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