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To whom it may concern

I am director of the department for labor market and immigration affairs in the state government of Hamburg. I hold degrees in German law and a M.A. degree in Political Science from the University of California (Berkeley).

I came into contact with Bhagwan through books and friends who have become sannyasins about four years ago. Ever since I continued to read Bhagwan's writings and I am highly impressed by his views on life and religion. For the first time in my life I feel to be in contact with a living religion which offers answers to the problems that everybody today is faced with.

Although I am not one of Bhagwan's followers it seems very understandable to me that he attracts tens of thousands of intelligent people, because through his whole work the experience of truth is felt.

Since I have to deal with problems of job creation I am very interested in the unique experiment which is taking place in Rajneeshpuram, Oregon, where his disciples are building a new city from scratch. Such a magnificent work can only be accomplished by a community which lives and works in an authentic way. Rajneeshpuram of which I have received numerous reports, including video-tapes, is an obvious manifestation of Bhagwan's inspiration and spiritual guidance.

I plan to visit Rajneeshpuram next year. In Hamburg, as in other big European cities, we observe that especially young people suffer from a great loss of work motivation. From such a visit I expect new insights as how work can be made meaningful again.

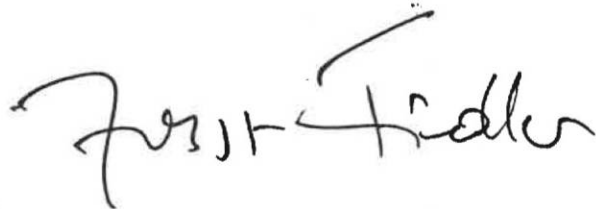


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