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To whom it may concern,

Dear Sir or Madam,

I have heard recently that the Immigration & Naturalization Service chooses people of exceptional qualities & abilities of different races, to enrich the United States of America to become citizens of this fair country. Having also heard that Indians were being considered this month in the capacity of the Arts & Sciences prompted me to write immediately in support of my friend who quite coincidentally is Indian in origin and also a man of very exceptional expertise in the above fields. My friend's name is Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh & he's certainly had an immense impact on my life since first meeting him in July 1979. First, though, a little about my self.

I'm 29 years old, a carpenter by trade & I've lived in Australia most of my life. Having completed High School with in 1972, I worked as a printer in a large printing company for 4 years before feeling the need to travel "before settling down". After seeing many countries, people & cultures on my travels I had noticed that there are many, many religions, ideologies, cultural walks of life that this world is made up from. This brought about an understanding of tolerance in my self for people & ideas & lifestyles of others than my own race. I was also concerned about the direction of MAN or the HUMANITY was taking because of the hostility, hunger, pain, anger, hate, aggression etc. that I'd seen because people cannot seem to get along with one another. Ending up in India for the second time (an amazing country for cultural & religious differences) & feeling generally jaded with the world in general, was when I met this wonderful man. (I spell "man" with a capital, not necessarily out of reverence, but more out of the fact, that indeed, he is of a higher plane of understanding than most of humanity today)

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He has shared with me his wisdom, the fruit of his understanding of many topics that he chose

to speak on. His talks were recorded & then transcribed into books, of which there are approximately 350 titles. Therefore, He is one amazing author and not to forget His poetry as well beautifully written in the "Haiku" style. When He spoke on famous scientists, philosophers, teachers, therapists etc. he always spoke with such clarity, as, even to the layman Descartes was finally understandable Einstein was embraced, Jung translated. He spoke of them all, almost intimately — and so He was able to, having been a Professor in India for many years & also allegedly to have read hundreds & thousands of books.

His influence has changed my life considerably. I am able to move into many work situations freely, skills come to me when I never thought I had the capacity before. Creativity flows more freely in my work & relaxation times through His meditation techniques. I can appreciate many of life's beauties that I never noticed before our meeting. I also enjoy a much deeper & closer relationship with my parents, whom both are quite open & understanding of my way of life.

To summarize this letter I would just like to ask you to look closely at the credentials of this Man. He is a definite asset to any country. This commune is truly international — beyond colour, creed or racial boundaries as 15,000 people from the world over who came to the celebration in last July, proved. He still talks, to His private secretary who relays His messages to us, & also He counsels us on our religious or personal growth if needed, all we have to do is write to him. Just to see Him every day & to participate in Darshan while I'm here at Rajneetpuram is enough — the silence between us conveys everything. Many religious orders down through the centuries have only survived because of the vow of silence. Prayer & meditation — silence.

I love this Man, my close friend, He looks healthy. The climate in America is good to Him. The United States is a great place for Him so let Him stay as long as He wants.