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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I am a graduate of Cambridge University, England, where I took Honours Degrees in Classics and Geography. For thirty-three years I taught and was Head of Department at Shrewsbury, one of Britain's leading Independent Schools; which in the past has included among its pupils such eminent figures as Sir Philip Sidney, Samuel Butler and Charles Darwin; and in my time the sons of famous scholars, doctors, politicians and men of letters of our own age.

My work as a teacher brought me increasingly in touch with those researching in the field of educational theory and communication; and so by natural progression to a study of Humanistic Psychology and Group Therapy as presented by Carl Rogers, Alexander Lowen, Maslow, Fitz Perls and others. In common with many students on both sides of the Atlantic I found increasingly that these disciplines are seriously lacking in what could be called the spiritual dimension - so that the work of Rajneesh, who uses many of these Western systems but marries them to the traditions and experiences of Eastern Philosophy and mysticism, naturally attracted my attention; and so I came to spend eighteen months in Poona, India, to listen to his message and take part in the activities which constitute its practical application.

In recommending that Rajneesh should be seriously considered as the Indian Candidate for special immigrant status, I know that I am speaking of someone of universal significance of the calibre of an Einstein or a Stravinsky; and the importance of his work in the philosophical field, but even more of his vision of a possible way forward for society, is at this time inestimable; and surely any country would be proud to open its doors to a man of such positively cosmic stature.

Yours Faithfully,

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