

Copenhagen, 1983.07.20.

To whom it may concern,

I, Michael Maardt, studied from 1970 until 1981 officially at The Institute of Sociology, University of Copenhagen. During this period I also studied at the university in Frankfurt and at the university in Bremen, both in West-Germany. My theoretical and personal search for deeper answers to the mysteries in life led me fortunately to some books of a so-called guru from India.

These books were characterized by such an excellent and brilliant way of thinking, that my interest immediately was raised. Of course, in the beginning with the natural skepticism of an academic thinker from our western culture.

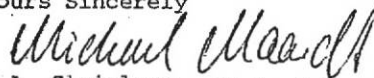
At the end of my period at the university the author of these books, Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, became still more important for my work, and particularly indispensable in my personal life. My final dissertation, written in 1980, was in its theoretical parts based on the profound existential and philosophical insights of this unique person, Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh.

Not only as a spiritual leader, i.e. as a loving and intelligent man, but also as a very intelligent thinker, I consider Rajneesh as a person with abilities, that - if recognised in their original and true context - could be much more helpful to the world in solving many of those great problems, we as a species are facing at the end of this century. Unfortunately Rajneesh is often seen and judged through the superficial and sensational interests of the mass media. A deeper research in his books shows an exceptional understanding of the human nature, and especially he gives methods of solving psychological problems without pills, drugs etc.

May I remind you of a man, walking on our earth 2000 years ago, who talked against the established beliefs of that time. He was finally murdered because of this. We should have learned something from this. We shouldn't judge and condemn too quickly. In the coming decades of human history, the teaching and knowledge of Rajneesh, that now is more or less hidden in the books of Rajneesh, i.e. hidden to the public, might very well be very helpful in our endeavours of solving the great worldwide psychological, sociological, economic and spiritual problems, we right now are facing.

Through this letter I hope Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh is given permission to live and work in your free country, The United States of America.

Yours Sincerely



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This is to certify that Mr.

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on this day has signed this document in my presence.

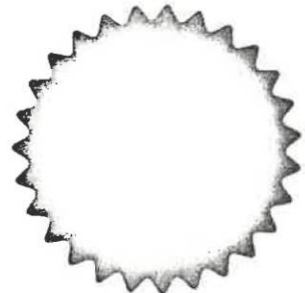
In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the notarial seal of office.

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