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To whom it may concern

Hearing about the difficulties for Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh to be allowed to stay in der USA I would like to tell you about my experience with Bhagwan and the inspirations I got by him and the effects for my person and profession.

I am born in 1938. I am Psychologist since 1970. After having finished my studies I first worked in School-Psychology for 1 year. Since 1971 till now I work in the formation and training of teachers at a "Pädagogische Hochschule" (High School for Education) in Germany. There I teach Educational Psychology, Psychology of Development, Child Guidance and Counselling. In 1974 I began to learn Client-Centered-Psychotherapy (ROGERS) in Germany, since 1980 I am "Klinischer Psychologe" (Clinical Psychologist) according to the statutes of the "Berufsverband Deutscher Psychologen" (according about APA in the USA). Since 1978 I work as teacher in instructing children between 11 and 15 years, too.

First I heard of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh in 1980. In the follows time I took part in Growth-Groups with Sannyasin-Group-Leaders and in 1980 I began to practise Bhagwans Meditations. I often hear his lectures and read his books. Since this time I follow his teachings. Although I am not living in an Ashram or Sannyas-Commune, I often like to do work in the Sannyas-Centre in our town.

Since I follow Bhagwans teachings and practise his Meditations I can observe a remarkable change in my life: I live much more centred in myself; in situations, where I have been excited and nervous before, I now am calm and confident. I feel much better than before.

Being together with other people, I am much more able to cencern with the other person, to see really the other person where I before had only projected myself or my wishes. I am much more able to act not for my own egoistic interests, but for the interests (especially the emotional and psychological interests) of the other person. I must say that since the time I have opened myself to Bhagwans inspirations, I live a much more loving life.

It is obvious that in my professional sphere, where I am mostly concerned with people to be educated, trained or helped I now do a much better work than before.

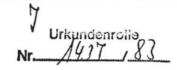
It is true that during my studies and the formation to become Clinical Psycholgist I often took part in Growth-Groups and Encounter-Sessions and got own experience with Freudian Psycho analysis - but all these experiences did not at all have such an important and positive change in my life than the inspirations I got through Bhagwan.

I have experienced that only by the deep wisdom and the great love what a man like Bhagwan has to give, there will be a possibility to change the hard egoistic strucures in our soul, and only this gives a real chance to mankind to live happier, less aggressively and more lovingly.

May-be Bhagwan is one of the rare chances for mankind to survive.

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