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To whom it may concern:

The Office of the Ashram Rajneeshpura/Oregon asked me about a possible recommendation of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh. My statement looks as follows:

Being a full professor of Psychology at the Free University Berlin I am busy in all fields of Psychology, especially in the fields of Social, Educational and Anthropological Psychology. I am a member of the "German Psychological Association", further a foundation-member of the "German Association for Psychotherapy, Psychosomatics and Psychology of the Depth". I am engaged, too, on Religious Affairs and studied any years with my intimate friend Paul TILLICH, who was very famous, too, in your country.

One day I had to register that any students of mine transgressed to the Poona Ashram of Rajneesh. Occasionally on an Ethnological trip to Nepal and India I decided a glance at the Poona Ashram. Surprisingly enough, my stay took any weeks. I felt deeply impressed by the personality of that remarkable man. He proved to be as a religious leader and teacher of highest quality, efficiency and large-sized caliber. I understood immediately the reaction of my students and other youth. His profound knowledge and wisdom about all religious systems and problems seems to me unique. In addition to that superiority he appears as corporation of warmth and love of men.

Returned to my Varsity I accepted the desire of a student to work on a field-study about the Poona-Ashram. This two-years-project of various quantitative and qualitative methods obtained by the Faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences the degree "magna cum laude".

In summary I feel and am obliged to recommend every possible furtherance and promotion of the Rajneeshpura-project with his very remarkable founder. As far I see, it would be a big loss, not to further the warm, friendly and peaceful "Sannyasins" with her lucid religious master.

Sincerely,

yours

Wolfgang Hochheimer

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