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To whom it may concern,

I am a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh since 7½ years and live with my 8 year old daughter here in Rajneeshpuram since 1½ years.

In Berlin / Germany I studied advertising and then had a successful career as a businesswoman. After I had met and experienced all the possible challenges of the world, being wealthy and successful, having a good husband and a wonderful child - a beautiful estate in the mountains of Bavaria, it was strange to me that I still felt frustrated. Since I can remember, there always was a very deep longing within me to get closer to God.

After trying to find my way to God through different western religions, many painful years went by - until one day I sat

in front of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh in India in January 1976. I knew it was him I was looking for instantly, I knew my search was over. The love and compassion radiating from him - just to be in his presence - is the most intense and highest form of happiness I have ever experienced.

And now his selfimposed silence is the deepest and purest communication for 15.000 of his disciples, from all over the world. How can a master with 300.000 disciples be denied to be a religious leader?

Since nearly 2 years now, hundreds of people devote their lives to make this desert in Central-Oregon bloom. After destroying nature's balance through overgrazing erosion started taking it's toll. People here work 12 hours every day 7 days a week to make their home an oasis for no pay. They are happy people with smiles on their faces - in harmony with themselves and others and the place they live in.

The love and compassion of Bhagwan
Shree Rajneesh is the force behind all
his disciples creativity and their smiles.
Anybody who cares enough to look a little
closer to find out the truth, will see
that he is one of the most exceptional
spiritual leaders that walked on this
earth.

Sincerely,

Ma Prem Aja