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To whome it may concern

Since 1976 I am working as an assistant at the Stockholm Institute of the Sociology of Religion. In our research we deal with matters of religion which have to do with today's man. A field which has created a great interest among sociologists of religion are the New Religious Movements and they have been subject of many studies as well in the USA as in Sweden.

During the years I have been working at the Institute I have been following these movements with particular interest (see "Kyrksamheten i Stor-Stockholm den 13 och 14 november 1982", Smärre Meddelanden 1983:1, Religionssociologiska Institutet, Stockholm).

It is through this interest - or studies - that I have learnt to know about the work of Bhagwan, from the years in Poona and lately in Oregon. I have then been impressed particularly of the way he is making a synthesis of religion and different therapeutic tecnics and methods helping today's man to find himself and God. (I am planning a study tour to the USA at Christmas and I will then visit him in Oregon to be able to study him "in situ").

I find it correct to say that Bhagwan is a person of exceptional ability. I furthermore find his work an enrichment to Western culture and religion.

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