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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Hereby I want to emphasize the great importance of the work and the teachings of BHAGWAN SHREE RAJNEESH for my work as a psychologist in Germany.

I got the M.A. degree (in Germany: Diplom-Psychologe) in psycholog y from the University Münster, Germany , in 1978. In 1979 I started working in a catholic pediatric clinic in Regensburg, Germany. There I worked for two years, concerned with counselling for parents of disabled children and therapeutic treatment of the children themselves.

During that time I also taught psychology at a college for social workers and conducted psychological courses for housewives.

Since 1981 I work as a freelance psychologist, assisting and conducting psychological therapeutic groups, individual sessions and courses. For one year I now have my own counselling office in Eschwege, Germany. I also conduct groups in bodywork and breath therapy all over Germany.

About the beginning of 1980 I started to discover, that it was impossible for me to work with people in the psychological field without a glimpse of the spiritual path. To clarify that: My work is a work of a specialist, who is confronted with high expectations of his clients. The clients often expect total healing of their bodies and their souland want to be released of their depressions and hardships. Thus, going deep into this work, I felt to be highly responsible, because people trusted me in an extraordinary way. In my opinion, this responsibility has to be taken and acknowledged by the psychologist, but that can't work without the spiritual growth, i.e. meditation, and the spiritual guidance of an Enlightened master.

I came to know first about Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh through a friend, also a psychologist. I started reading his teaching and also personal reports from his disciples about their experiences. Being a searcher myself for the reasons explained above and through the sudden death of my beloved mother, I started to meditate and I found Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh to be my spiritual master. He most certainly is an outstanding religious teacher and spiritual leader.

Since I became a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh in April 1981, I feel my work has much improved and can happen on a much deeper level, helpingclients to get real help rather than treating them on the surface.

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As I watch the scientific research in psychology, mostly through contact with frineds working in that field at the University in Mainz, Germany, I can see, that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh's teachings are more and more influencing the scientific psychologysince even international known psychologists see the impossibility of creating methods for responsible helping only by means of the human mind and good will. Real help cannot happen only with methods born out of scientific research.

In my personal life and psychological work, scientific methods and the influence and presence of the enlightened master Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh have to join to do responsible work in this subtle, difficlut field.

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