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To whom it may concern

I studied at the Technical University of Berlin, Economics and Engineering, and received my degrees in 1971. In 1972 I received another degree in education from the Free University of Berlin.

After practical training I was teaching mathematics at a Berlin High School. All teachers there were confronted with the phenomenon of aggression. It was a new type of school in Berlin and nobody had really experience in handling 1500 pupils in the age between 11 and 16. Though everything was absolutely perfect from the technical and organizational point of view, the kids were just running wild. Something very essential seemed to be missing in our teaching system. At that time I did not know what it was.

But then I met a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and was introduced to the teachings of this great spiritual leader. I started meditating, listening to the taped discourses of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and reading his books. I was deeply impressed: here was a man with very exceptional abilities, a great philosopher and psychologist, a teacher of teachers, a source of truth. Soon I went to Poona, India, to meet him. And I learned what was missing in our teaching system: love.

We all were brought up in Christianity, where Jesus taught us to love the world, because God is love. But nobody seems to know how to love; we simply forgot it during that 2000 years being busy with getting rich and powerful and therefore fighting each other.

And here comes Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh reminding us who we really are and helping us to find our way back to ourselves, to our sources, and he teaches us love. Rajneeshpuram, based on the principles of love, can become an example to the world: how man can live in harmony, freedom and love.

And again such an incredible experiment has to happen in America, because only the U.S.A. with their long tradition in preserving human freedom, their openness for new ideas and their technical intelligence can provide the base. He could not have chosen a better place - these people can be proud.



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