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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

     After completing my studies in 'Asian Studies'
at the University of Western Ontario (1979) I took to
travelling around the world. Upon arriving in India I
immediately heard tales of an Enlightened Master, Bhagwan
Shree Rajneesh. However dubious I was at this time, a
long standing interest in Eastern Religions led me to one
of his lectures in Poona.

     The man's outstanding literary and public speaking
ability was immediately obvious. However, what particularly
struck me was the presence of the man and the atmosphere of
the ashram. I had never before experienced such a deep sense
of balance of love and awareness. That is to say, I have known
many loving people in my life, but the disciples of Bhagwan
Shree Rajneeesh were not only loving but courageously honest
and aware. They were also living life so totally and with such
vitality and sensitivity I was immediately inspired.

     Upon visiting Rajneeshpuram this summer I was more
deeply impressed by this same quality. Where once his words
echoed through the ashram in Poona, here his silence penetrates
everything. With Bhagwan in their midst the citizens of
Rajneeshpuram are in total celebration all the day long. There
is no doubt that he is the inspiration behind every activity
in the community.

     The influence he's had on my own life is indescribable.
His vision of man living freely and harmoniously inspires me in
whatever activities I am engaged in.

     Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has something of immense value to
offer mankind. His synthesis alone, of the fundamentals of
Eastern Religions and the latest developments of Western Psychology,
proves him a man of exceptional ability in the Arts and Sciences.

     Through his voluminous literary works, his presence in
the community at Rajneeshpuram and yes, even through his silence,
he is shedding light on an area of human consciousness for the
first time in the history of man.

Yours sincerely,

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