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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I have heard this morning that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has applied for permanent residence in the U.S.A., based on the fact that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has exceptional qualities as an artist and scientist both. Moreover I have understood that the I.N.S. are not very clear regarding granting the legal necessities for a stay in the U.S. Therefore I would like to bring the following to your attention. Four years ago I was working in Venlo, Holland, as a barman, and I was almost being destroyed by alcohol. At that time I didn't realize that, because from my point of view the world had nothing to offer and I needed the rapid tongue of a barman to hide behind cynism. For me it is a fact that this man Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh saved me from a miserable life as an alcoholic, merely by his exceptional insight into psychology and his tremendous love for humanity. It is difficult to put into words how all this has happened, but I can say that Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh is representing something very real. And that I have tasted some of this reality, which made me realize that the world does not only consist of phony ego games, but does have something to offer.

Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has taught me a "reality" which should be known by everyone, namely that only through personal growth it is possible to experience, whether this is love, happiness or truth.

Moreover Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh has offered a variety of possibilities to realize this personal growth. These possibilities alone are a treasure of enormous value for humanity and offer a chance to a better world, not from without but within; therefore directly through insight and not as a vision of the future.

Yours sincerely,

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