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To Whom It May Concern

Re Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh

I am a psychiatrist in private practice, and was for 20 years Director of Psychiatric Services of the Hawke's Bay Hospital Board. I am a member and past Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists. I am a council member and past president of the New Zealand Association of Psychotherapists and Counsellors.

With regard to Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh. I can say that -

1. I have read his writings with interest and personal gain. He speaks soundly and with wisdom to many seeking alternatives to conservative belief systems. His message is timely, yet ageless and is not disruptive.
2. I have had intimate contact with about forty people, both clients and friends, whose lives he has influenced for good.
3. In my practice as a psychotherapist I have occasion to use or refer to his teachings as I would any respected authority in the field of Mental Health.

Yours faithfully



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