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To whom it may concern,

Two years ago I have been following a Hatha-yoga course at school.

All at once the yoga-teacher asked for people who were interested in doing a meditation day, this was an introduction to the meditations of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, led by sannyasins.

The teacher told us a little bit about Bhagwan and His disciples and I immediately got very attracted by his story, it sounded very nice to me, so I decided to go there.

We did about eight meditations, all created by Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, there were breaks in between.

I was feeling very good, all day long, really relaxed and also excited because I felt there was something happening inside me, something was opening and waking up. I had the feeling that this could be the beginning of a new life.

When the day came to an end and I went home I was tremendously happy, I was riding on my bicycle, looking at the stars and feeling so good, everything was fine, I couldn't believe myself, "how come I'm so happy" I asked myself.

Later on I did another meditation-day.

I went to the library and got a Book of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh, I read it and it was so clear, everything He told me was true, I said yes, yes to Him all the time. I felt a deep love and respect for this man.

I started buying myself red clothes as this is the colour He wants His sannyasins to wear, I was going more and more towards Him.

Any time I would look at a picture of Him I felt very much warmth, He is so beautiful, He must be really somebody very far out I thought.

Then it happened that there was a festival in Amsterdam, it was the Orange Full Moon Affair,

I went there. It was a very very beautiful celebration, and I saw Bhagwan on video, for the first time, I fell in love very deeply with Him.

I knew that I wanted to be one of His, I wanted to be with Him and decided to become a sannyasin.

So, I went to a Meditation Center and asked for a sannyas-form, filled it out and waited.

The big day came, the post-man brought my sannyas-letter with my new name, oh I was so happy and such a beautiful name.

The Centerleader of the Center I went to for my sannyas-form, gave me my mala, and then I was a sannyasin, a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh.

Next day before I would go to school, still laying in my bed, I was feeling a little bit afraid of how the people would react.

But then I hold my mata, holding it looking at it and wondering about it I felt deep trust, I knew that everything would be alright, everything was fine. And it was alright.

I am very thankful that I met Bhagwan, that He came into my life.

I'm very happy and gracefull to be a sannyasin. I can not tell you how beautiful it is, it's the most fair out thing which can happen to a person. To live life being a sannyasin is a great gift, it's a celebration, a big love-affair. Thank you Bhagwan.

In love, Amala

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