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November 1, 1984

Ma Deva Barkha
Chief of Police
Rajneeshpuram Peace Force
City Hall, P. O. Box 2
Rajneeshpuram, OR 97741

Attention: Ma Prem Sono
Assistant Chief

As indicated in my correspondence dated September 20, 1984, it is absolutely essential that mutual trust and understanding exist between all elements of the criminal justice system if we are to give professional responses to all problems, minor or major, that could occur in and around the communities of Rajneesh and Rajneeshpuram.

Your comments that communications and cooperation are intact between our respective agencies in Central Oregon pleases me very much. I assure you we will do our part to continue that valuable relationship.

Thank you for sharing your views on this important issue.

Sincerely,


John C. Williams
Superintendent

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RAJNEESHPURAM PEACE FORCE

October 31, 1984

John C. Williams, Superintendent
Oregon State Police
107 Public Service Building
Salem, Oregon 97310

Beloved Supt. Williams,

Over the past few weeks there have been several communications between our agencies that are of concern to me. In the past we have had nothing but a positive relationship with the State Police. For this reason I was surprised when Captain Noland called me and was extremely upset and angry. Major Lamkin spoke to our receptionist the same night as Captain Noland's call. He was also upset and angry. A few days later we spoke with Lt. Renfrow about how important communication is between us. The very next day he flew unannounced directly over downtown Rajneeshpuram with no radio contact. This created an especially difficult situation because we had been notified two days before by your agency of a threat to drop chemical bombs on our City. The Captain and the Lieutenant both acknowledged these communication problems and their apologies have been accepted.

At this point, communication and cooperation are intact again and this is of utmost importance. I see no reason why this should change. But I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you about these circumstances because we do not know when we will next have a crisis. Clearly, it is essential during a crisis that we have clear channels of communication and the professional behavior that is due to every agency. I am sure that everyone has learned from our past experiences and that there will be no difficulties in the future.

With love,

Ma Prem Sono

Ma Prem Sono, Assistant Chief
Rajneeshpuram Peace Force