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PLEASE REPLY TO:

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This is to state that Dr. phil. Ronald Grossarth-Maticek, born in Budapest (Hungary) June 19th, 1940, present address: Kaiserstrasse 2A, Heidelberg (Germany), is a well-known researcher in the area of cancer research. He started his research in Yugoslavia in 1965 and he continued this research in Heidelberg since 1972.

The undersigned, Professor of Psychiatry at the Leyden University since 1964, has been a member of the main Board of the World Psychiatric Association for many years. At present he is the past-president of the International College of Psychosomatic Medicine. He knows Dr. Grossarth-Maticek and his co-workers since 1975 and since that time there is a close co-operation between the undersigned et.al. and the Heidelberg-group.

Dr. Grossarth-Maticek has been introduced by the undersigned for the VIth World Congress of the International College of Psychosomatic Medicine, held in Montreal, Canada, September 13-18, 1981. Dr. Grossarth-Maticek functioned there as one of the main speakers. A second introduction concerned two papers presented for the Plenary Session at the XIVth European Conference on Psychosomatic Research, held in The Netherlands, September 19-25, 1982. A third introduction concerned a paper for the Plenary Session "Early Identification of Psychosomatic Disorders", during the VIIth World Congress of the International College of Psychosomatic Medicine, held in Hamburg, Germany, 1983.

Dr. Grossarth-Maticek and his co-workers have done excellent research in the related area. Their findings are of the utmost importance for the stimulation for further research into the influence of psychic and social factors in the development of cancer. For the development of new forms of psychotherapy, suited for the treatment of cancer patients and candidates for cancer, the findings mentioned are important too.

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It is highly recommended that Dr. Grossarth-Maticek and his co-workers can continue their research primarily in Germany, probably also in other countries. For this research grants are needed.

Owing to the fact that the findings of Dr. Grossarth-Maticek et.al. are more or less still new and insufficiently known in the medical world, it is understandable that these are not yet completely accepted in this world. The undersigned is convinced that the irradiation of the results of the above mentioned research will be of high importance for prevention of cancer all over the world.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Bastiaans'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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