A STATEMENT FROM KRISHNAMURTI

"Towards the end of June of this year representatives of the four Krishnamurti Foundations met at Brockwood Park, England to talk over their present and future responsibilities. We were together for about ten days and during the discussions their responsibilities and functions became clear. It was important to have met and shared together the various problems of the work. We all felt that the Foundations should not be fragmented but work together as a whole, with the same intention and seriousness. This is what we talked about.

"As many of you may remember, I was once the head of a world-wide organization founded in 1911 with thousands of members in many countries. It was dissolved by me in 1929. I said then that there was no path to truth and that no organization or organized belief as religion can lead man to truth or his salvation. I said then that in all so-called spiritual matters there is no authority, no leader or guru, and that all following perverts the follower. You have to be your own teacher and your own disciple.

"After all these years I still maintain this essential truth. Following blindly or according to pleasure or temperament does not bring man to freedom. And without freedom there is no truth. In all these many years of talks and dialogues this has been the principle concern.

"Today there are four Krishnamurti Foundations. These are Krishnamurti Foundation Trust Ltd. in England, Krishnamurti Foundation of America, Krishnamurti Foundation India and Fundacion Krishnamurti Hispanoamericana. They exist only for simple and obvious reasons. During my lifetime they arrange talks, group discussions, seminars and gatherings. They are responsible for editing, translating and publishing the books. They are responsible for the care of archives. They produce films, audio and video tapes, see to their distribution and so on.

"There are now five schools in India, an educational centre with its school at Brockwood Park in England, and there is going to be an educational centre and school in the United States at Ojai. All these schools function under the Krishnamurti Foundations. It is the responsibility of the Foundations to see that these schools continue if possible after my death. It is very definitely intended that in these schools the teachings, which are in no way sectarian — this I would like to emphasize — are to be lived both by the teacher and the student. The schools have importance for they may bring about a totally different human mind.

"The Foundations have no authority in the matter of the teachings. The truth lies in the teachings themselves. The Foundations will see to it that these teachings are kept whole, are not distorted, are not made corrupt. The Foundations have no authority to send out propagandists or interpreters of the teachings. As it has been necessary, I have often pointed out that I

have no representative who will carry on with these teachings in my name now or at any time in the future.

"The Foundations will not give rise to any sectarian spirit in their activities. The Foundations will not create any kind or place of worship around the teachings or the person.

"In this chaotic and disintegrating world what is of the greatest importance is how each person lives these teachings in his daily life. It is the responsibility of each human being to bring about his own transformation which does not depend on knowledge or time."

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