

Dear Christiane,

We understand you have responded to our serious and sincere letter by referring to statements you made in October and by asking for more time to compose a more detailed reply. Please know that we are looking for a very straightforward and sincere response which clearly resolves this impasse, not for a reference to previous statements and a request for more time. We expect you to have entirely moved from Bodhi Manda well before spring kessei, and we are all prepared to help you do this, but we require a clear and unequivocal statement of your commitment. Here is such a statement:

I agree without reservation to comply with Roshi's directives.

I agree without reservation to leave Bodhi Manda and support the transition of Seido to Vice Abbot.

I agree without reservation to move from Bodhi Manda entirely by March 24th, 2014.

I agree without reservation to move from the quarters attached to the Bodhi Manda office, to a dorm room, by February 15th, 2014.

I agree without reservation to compose a letter unconditionally committing to these agreements and will send this letter to Roshi and the 18 of you no later than midnight of December 14th, 2013.

The above statement is the kind of response we are looking for. For a long time now we have all heard so many contrary words from you that it is difficult for us to clearly understand your speech. We hope this can change, and that we can experience a sincere communication with you. If you truly do have a heartfelt commitment to support Roshi's directives, and to leave Bodhi Manda, and to support the transition of Seido to Vice Abbot, then you should clearly and unequivocally say so, to all of us.

We would like to extend you another opportunity to resolve this impasse before approaching the entire sangha for their support. In order for us to do this, if this is truly your heartfelt commitment, we request that you cut-and-paste the above listed *agreements without reservation* into an email and send this email to Roshi and the 18 of us today, December 13th, no later than midnight.

With all of our heartfelt concern, in friendship, Gassho,

Seido Larry Clark

For the 18 of us