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A Letter from Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

New Mandala Council Represents Worldwide Sanghas

Dear Sangha,



I send my greetings to all of you.

As many of you may have heard, the Ligmincha International Board had its first meeting this past July. It is wonderful to see the care and dedication of our new board members. I know that these qualities are shared also by each of you who are helping our worldwide Ligmincha sanghas.

It is now time for us to take the next step. As I mentioned in my last email to all of you about Ligmincha's organizational changes, we want to create a council of representatives from our worldwide sanghas. This Council will meet two or three times per year with our Ligmincha International Board. The name of this group is the Ligmincha International Mandala Council. The purpose of this council is to meet together in person or by conference call as a way to share what is happening in your sanghas, to share ideas, to discuss plans, and to collaborate and work together for the sangha and mission of Ligmincha. I am happy to announce that the first meeting will take place in October during the Zhang Zhung Nyen Gyu retreat in Maria Alm, Austria.

As we reflected on creating this group, it became clear that it is not practical to include every sangha, given how many there are. Therefore, to keep the Mandala Council to a reasonable size, we are inviting one representative from each sangha with legal status in its respective country. There will be occasions where I invite additional sanghas to participate, depending on circumstances. My request is that each person on the Mandala Council represent not only their own local sangha, but all sanghas in their country, as we want to ensure that the Mandala Council will represent the needs of the entire Ligmincha international sangha.

I have invited the Board of Directors of Ligmincha Austria, Ligmincha Berlin, Ligmincha Denmark, Ligmincha Finland, Ligmincha France, Ligmincha Germany, Ligmincha Mexico, Chamma Ling Torreon (Mexico), Ligmincha Netherlands, Ligmincha Poland, Ligmincha Slovakia, Ligmincha Spain, Ligmincha Texas (U.S.), Chamma Ling Colorado (U.S.) and Serenity Ridge (U.S.) to nominate or elect a member from their Board of Directors or from sangha members who are actively involved with the organization to be on this council.

My wish is that Mandala Council will help to support each sangha and all the Ligmincha organization as a whole. I look forward to this first meeting of the Mandala Council, and to the benefits that future meetings will bring.

With My Blessings,
Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche