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To Whom It May Concern,

September, 20<sup>th</sup>, 2003

This letter is to introduce my PhD. student, Mr. Michael S. Drummond, of Marconistraat 34, 5223 CG, Den Bosch, The Netherlands.

Mr. Drummond's research topic is the early Buddhist meditation technique of the Observation of Feelings as found in the ancient Pali language texts and related developments in the Cognitive Sciences. He should be finished writing his dissertation by December of 2007.

May I therefore, as Michael's PhD. supervisor, request that you extend to him the academic assistance that he might ask you or your institution to grant him until December of 2007.

If you have any questions about Mr. Drummond, please feel free to write me at : Prof. Dr. Ria Kloppenborg, Faculty of Theology and Religious Studies, Postbus 80105, 3508 TC Utrecht, The Netherlands. E-mail: [Rkloppenborg@theo.uu.nl](mailto:Rkloppenborg@theo.uu.nl) or [rkloppen@knoware.nl](mailto:rkloppen@knoware.nl).

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Dr. Ria Kloppenborg, Head Department History of Religions

