

**From:** Richard Kahn <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** "jeffrey E." <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** Ben Goertzel  
**Date:** Wed, 07 Jan 2015 16:48:41 +0000

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confirming ok to send ben 25,000

last time we sent him money was January 2014 and we sent from STC taking the position he was working toward STC mission statement

please advise if we should send from Enhanced or STC  
thank you

Richard Kahn  
HBRK Associates Inc.



Begin forwarded message:

**Date:** January 6, 2015 at 7:09:10 PM EST  
**Subject:** Fwd:  
**From:** Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** Richard Kahn <[REDACTED]>

OK that is great news if he can help with the \$25K now, and we can discuss the larger proposal w/ him when the current moronic media shitstorm subsides...

The wire transfer info remains the same as what I sent you a couple weeks ago

thx a lot  
ben

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From: jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 6:54 PM  
Subject: Re:  
To: Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]>

yes 25

On Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 7:26 PM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Richard,

Sure, that is totally understood. I have seen the spate of utterly idiotic negative publicity in the news, and I'm sorry you guys have to deal with that. From my view I see two possibilities: a) that crap is all made up by greedy people seeking money and fame, b) maybe some variation of what is alleged did happen, but if so it was surely an occurrence among reasonably mature people who mutually consented at the time, so why is it anybody else's business? Our society is pretty f\*\*ked in some ways.... But obviously you guys have already figured that out ;-p

I don't want to push you guys at a difficult time, but given my own situation I do feel moved to ask if Jeffrey might still be able to help with \$25K for my "corporate contribution" to the OpenCog Hong Kong project. He has helped in this way every year since 2010, usually via a donation to Humanity+. If it's simply not possible given the circumstances I do understand, but I wanted to remind of this option just in case it was forgotten given all the other mess happening on your end. Of course if it's not possible I will do my best to find the \$25K elsewhere so OpenCog Hong Kong can keep going.

I look forward to discussing our research proposal with Jeffrey again once this latest bout of media idiocy dies down ... as it always does given some time as you know...

Yours,  
Ben

On Tue, Jan 6, 2015 at 5:28 PM, Richard Kahn < > wrote:

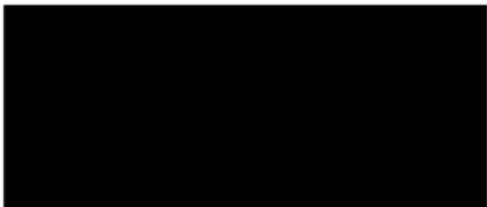
Good afternoon

Due to the current environment with all the bad press Jeffrey is receiving we are going to have to put this funding on hold

Please feel free to reach out with any questions

Thank you and happy new year

Richard Kahn  
HBRK Associates Inc.



On Jan 4, 2015, at 9:17 AM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

hello again,

So, I'm curious as to the status -- has Jeffrey decided to fund this proposal? I haven't actually heard from him about it, only from you. But I assume he's been on holiday during the Xmas / New years period

thx ;)

ben

On Wed, Dec 31, 2014 at 11:34 PM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Richard,

Ah, one more thing. Just in case you decide to wire funds \*today\* (Dec. 31) ... if you want to wire them to a business account (rather than a charitable organization), it would be better to use the following information:

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Practical Visionaries Limited  
HSBC, Hong Kong  
SWIFT code: HSBCHKHKKH  
Account number: 078-353455-838

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This is because wiring \$\$ to my US company Novamente LLC on the last day of 2014 would result in Novamente needing to pay tax on the \$\$ ...

Thanks

Ben

On Wed, Dec 24, 2014 at 8:37 PM, Ben Goertzel <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hi Richard,

Below is the bank information. When you've done the wire, please let me know to which account you have sent the funds and in what amount, so I can verify it was received.

1)

If you want to supply the funds as a donation to a 501(c)3 nonprofit, then wire them to Humanity+ via

Wells Fargo

Bank Account: 9572308337  
Routing Number: 121000248  
Account holder: Humanity Plus

-- or --

2)

If you want to supply the funds as a payment to a commercial

corporation, then the information is:

SunTrust Bank  
Acct # 1000011778460  
Routing # 061000104

Acct holder: Novamente LLC  
Acct holder address:  
35516 Aspen Court  
Rehoboth DE 19971

Thanks a lot,  
Ben

On Wed, Dec 24, 2014 at 6:23 PM, Richard Kahn <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Please advise whom we shall direct funds to for attached. Please provide wiring instructions as well. Thank you.

Richard Kahn  
HBRK Associates Inc.  
575 Lexington Avenue, 4th Floor  
New York, NY 10022  
Tel 212-971-1306  
Fax 646-350-0954  
Cell 917-414-7584

Begin forwarded message:

From: "jeffrey E." <[jeevacation@gmail.com](mailto:jeevacation@gmail.com)>  
Date: December 23, 2014 at 2:31:37 PM EST  
To: Richard Kahn <[REDACTED]>

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