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### **Admittance refused to Ritskes in Japanese monasteries**

General Secretary Toga of Tenryuji in Kyoto has contacted all sub-temples of this monastery to tell them not to accept Rients Ritskes to enter. Neither is he welcome in the main monastery. Toga also phoned to another monastery, Sogenji in Okayama, to inform them of the issue. He stated this yesterday to Sokun Tsushimoto Roshi.

Ritskes planned on visiting both Tenryuji and Sogenji on his present trip to Japan. The reason for the drastic measures is the fact that Ritskes continues to give a false impression about his status as a so called Zen Master, in the media and elsewhere. Even after several requests, he refuses to publicly issue a declaration in which he describes the correct state of affairs.