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Mature street
trees / 能夠
沈思與放鬆 /
Having at
least 800
square foot
to myself /
Accoglienti
aree pedona-
li a misura
d'uomo con
posti a sede-
re / ไมได้ยืน
เสียงรบกวนจาก
การจราจรใดๆ ทั้งสิ้น ในขณะที่
ที่ฉันกำลังนอนหลับ / Being
able to wander the streets,
regardless of whether it's

Japanese
sake / Savoir
dans quelle
direction mar-
cher sans lire
les panneaux
moim traw- / 친한 친구들
niku / Una
cama grande
con muchas
sábanas lim-
pias y almo-
hadas grandes /
使いやすい公共交通 /
Гуляя по улицам уса-
жеными красивыми
высокими
деревьями /

平日信步到熟
識店家的水果
攤、熟食店、
以及乾洗店 /
کوناکونی مردم و
تنوع ساختمان
های یک شهر
است که آنرا گرم
و دلنشین می
سازد / חלקת
דשא לנוח עליה
בסופ"ש /
أوجه التشابه بين
مدينتك أو مدن
مختلفة / Traffic
lights turning
all green at
once in sync

/ Aire acon-
dicionado /
ledereen wordt
een deel van hun
buurt, een
deel van de
sociale om-
geving / ni ayi-
ka ogbon ati
oye / Knowing I
can escape / Or-
dered chaos
/ Está sem-
pre movi-
mentada / Sushi
lunchbox special
/ Empty seat on
the subway /

Statement

Guggenheim to Withdraw BMW Guggenheim Lab Berlin from Planned Site in Kreuzberg

March 19, 2012

In response to police and local authorities' high hazard assessment, the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation has decided to withdraw the BMW Guggenheim Lab from the site planned in Kreuzberg, Berlin. This decision follows threats against the project. The Foundation regrets having to make this decision, as the purpose of the BMW Guggenheim Lab is to create a space for public discussion, open to the widest possible range of views. While we welcome vigorous debate, we cannot risk the possibility of violence, as raised by a small minority. As a responsible global citizen and an institution that serves the public, the Foundation must, as a first priority, ensure the safety of the staff and participants in any program it offers.

The Guggenheim Foundation appreciates the warm welcome and interest it has received from many individuals and organizations in Berlin and in Kreuzberg. These valuable discussions will continue and will be honored at a new site.

This decision has been made with the full support of our colleagues at BMW Group.

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