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Subject: Special Assignment: Ambitions vs. Aspirations: If you were at the end of your life what would it be an aspiration and an ambition?

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- **Ambition:** *from Latin **ambitio**, a going around for votes or influence. A desire to succeed and a strong desire to achieve something and the desired object itself . In few words, ambition is the center of energy that emerged from important and common goals one establishes along every period of the lifetime . Ambitions are : to climb positions as soon as possible in order to become president or minister or **such steps to make my ultimate dreams come true.** My ambitions right now: First I want to learn how to get some level of technical balance of my strengths and weaknesses. Second, I like to have a profound capacity to analyze the kind of leadership a current situation of distress requires. Third: I will be running for Governor in 1998. I am getting ready for it. And after that, I will decide what other step is to be made.*
- **Aspiration:** *From Latin **aspire**: to desire and to attract. A **strong desire for a high achievement** and a great ambition. A breath. An object of such desire. Is the top level vision of the final destiny of our actions, therefore, it is the necessary breath to stay alive and keep on doing what we think is to be done. Aspirations are my great dreams full of my system of values and my ultimate objectives in life: to change the reality to which I am opposed, to make my idea of nation come true. It is the reconciliation with my design of future itself. My aspirations: I want to be remembered as a gentleman in politics, as a man with a superior sense of duty and commitment, stronger than any ambition. Also, I want to be remembered as a man with an ideology which gave some sense to his life and which became the light of my destiny. Perhaps a leader with sensibility and the correct idea of what was really important : the positive and morally acceptable guidance in order to mobilize the people to the proper change, sometimes with authority, sometimes without it. Finally, I want to prove that there are many other posts more important than president.*

