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Recently we have read charges on this list that Budd Hopkins hypnotizes children while pursuing research into UFO-abduction reports. I have had deep doubts about this very serious allegation, which runs contrary to everything I know and have observed about Budd's ethics, judgment, and sensitivity to others.

As some of you are aware, Budd does not have e-mail. I have, however, just heard from my friend David M. Jacobs, who does. Even more astonished than I to read these fantastic claims, he phoned Budd to ask about them. Jacobs informs me -- not surprisingly, to those of us who know Budd -- that Hopkins has never conducted hypnosis with children. Nor, for that matter, has Jacobs.

In other words, we've been at the receiving end of the Big Lie. Those who have passed it on, innocently if recklessly, owe Budd Hopkins an apology. Those who knew or suspected it was a lie but circulated it anyway are beyond redemption. The former are urged, in the name of common decency, to apologize publicly. This list would be a good place to do it.

Jerry Clark

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