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Re: Budd Hopkins And The Big Lie

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>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.

Having been privileged to know Budd Hopkins for more than twenty years now, I can confirm what Jerry just wrote: Budd has never hypnotized children and has always refused to do so. All of Budd's research associates can certify it.

The 'confusion' (let us be nice) might have arisen from the fact that Budd has conducted some investigations in cases involving children, sometimes even toddlers, by interviewing the children, always at the request of and in the presence of the parents, and showing them a deck of images of different characters including a 'standard' grey to see who they identify as their 'visitors'.

These interviews never included hypnosis: anybody who knows even slightly Budd knows that he cares too much about people to do that.

>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.

I agree heartily with Jerry.

Jean-Luc Rivera

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