

## FAMOUS UFOLOGIST ADMITS GIVING UFO LECTURES TO CIA:

Dr. Bruce S. Maccabee, a leading pro-UFOlogist who believes that the U.S. Government and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) are involved in a "UFO-coverup," has confirmed that he has given several lectures on UFOs to interested CIA employees at informal "brown-bag lunches." Maccabee's first UFO lecture was in early 1979 and his most recent was this past May 28. The first invitation came from Dr. Christopher C. Green, then a member of the CIA's Directorate of Science and Technology, now an official of General Motors. Maccabee's more recent lectures have been arranged by Dr. Roland (Ron) Pandolfi, a physicist employed in the same Directorate, with whom Maccabee has developed a close friendship.

Maccabee's "ties" with the CIA recently were revealed in a 14-page report mailed to several dozen leading UFOlogists by the "Associated Investigators Group" (AIG) whose members were not identified. One key member is known to be W. Todd Zechel, who zoomed to fame in the UFO Movement in the late 1970s. In the August 1978 issue of UFO Magazine, an article by Jerome Clark said: "At this moment in history, it's distinctly possible that W. Todd Zechel is ufology's major figure." Clark, currently editor of International UFO Reporter (IUR) published by the Hynek Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS), was then an editor with FATE magazine.

Zechel claimed he had spent 10 years with the National Security Agency (NSA) and "another civilian intelligence agency" during which time he said he learned of a UFO coverup by the U.S. Government. This, he said, prompted him to create a group called "Citizens Against UFO Secrecy" (CAUS). An investigation by SUN's editor revealed that during Zechel's three years in the Army he had been stationed at an overseas "listening post" used by NSA. But during the next seven years after leaving the Army, Zechel's "intelligence agency" activities consisted of working as a fireman and a carpenter in Baraboo, Wisc., and managing a "sex shop" in Milwaukee. Shortly after Zechel's unsavory character and "financial shenanigans" were exposed by SUN's editor, Zechel disappeared from the UFO scene. CAUS was rescued from insolvency by more responsible pro-UFOlogists, including Larry Fawcett, Barry Greenwood and attorney Peter Gersten. In 1986, Zechel resurfaced briefly with a short-lived newsletter which charged that SUN's editor was a "double agent," working for both the CIA and the KGB.

THE AIG REPORT ATTEMPTS TO DISCREDIT MACCABEE AND THE FUND FOR UFO RESEARCH (FUFOR), WHICH HE HEADED UNTIL LAST MARCH, BY IMPLYING THEIR ACTIONS ARE INTENDED TO ASSIST THE CIA IN ITS 'UFO-COVERUP.' THIS IS RIDICULOUSLY FALSE. IT WOULD BE EASIER TO BELIEVE THAT JOSEPH STALIN WAS A SECRET CIA AGENT AND THAT PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WAS A COVERT KGB AGENT. Although SUN disagrees with Maccabee's views on many UFO cases, it believes these views are the result of his own credulity and NOT inspired by the CIA.

Maccabee told SUN that his first invitation to give a talk to the CIA on the New Zealand UFO case, which involved radars, came shortly after he had consulted with a radar specialist at Mitre Corp. After his lecture, Maccabee talked with Dr. Green who was interested in UFOs and who invited Maccabee back for further discussions with several other CIA employees who were also interested in the subject. Several months earlier, in late 1978, the CIA had released approximately 900 pages of UFO material, some of it formerly classified "Secret," in response to a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) action by lawyer Peter Gersten. Dr. Green told Maccabee that all of the UFO papers released had come from the archives of his Directorate and Green speculated that there might be as many as 15,000 more UFO papers in the archives of other CIA Directorates.

If Green had studied the documents the CIA released, which detailed the CIA's involvement beginning in mid-1952, he would have known that his speculation was wrong.

Green could have learned that:

\* Based on the conclusions of the Robertson Panel of five distinguished scientists, secretly convened by the CIA in mid-January of 1953, the Agency abandoned earlier plans to obtain a National Security Council authorization to launch its own UFO investigation.

\* Responsibility for monitoring UFOs was assigned to the CIA's Physics and Electronics Div. Its chief, Todos M. Odarenko, in a memo dated July 3, 1953 said he "planned to handle the project with a part-time use of [one] analyst and a file clerk. To provide filing facilities, one additional filing cabinet will be requested."

\* A report by Odarenko titled "Current Status of Unidentified Flying Objects," dated Dec. 17, 1953, said that insofar as the CIA was concerned "the project has been confined to maintaining awareness of the activities of other agencies (notably the USAF) in the unidentified flying objects (UFOB)[sic] business and to maintenance of files...The Air Force continues to maintain its interest in UFOBs...The Navy, in spite of press reports to the contrary, is presently devoting only part of one Office of Naval Intelligence analyst's time to maintaining cognizance of UFOBs...The Army has evidenced little or no interest..." (Emphasis added)

\* Memo dated Aug. 8, 1955, from the chief of the Physics and Electronics Div., urging that his division's UFO duties be ended: "In view of the fact that no positive intelligence of significance has been produced under the subject [UFO] project, it is recommended that the project be terminated and the files thereof be placed in dead storage." (Emphasis added)

Green would also have seen a series of teletype messages exchanged in April, 1976 which indicated that there had been no change in CIA "disinterest" in UFOs during the subsequent 21 years. Because of the Privacy Act and the CIA's policy of not disclosing the names and titles of its employees, the messages released to the public were heavily censored. However, it is evident that an outside consultant, who believed UFOs were extraterrestrial craft, had conceived of an exotic propulsion technique which might be used to propel UFOs. Before discussing the idea publicly, the consultant decided he had better check with CIA.

One teletype message, dated April 26, 1976, noted that the consultant's inquiry had been referred to the Dr. [censored] in the Directorate of Science and Technology "to see if he knew of any official UFO program... Dr. [censored] advised us that he would personally look into the matter....it does not seem that the Government has any formal program in progress for the identification/solution of the UFO phenomena...At the present time, there are offices and personnel within the agency who are monitoring the UFO phenomena, but again, this is not currently on an official basis.... We wish to stress again, that there does not now appear to be any special program on UFOs within the intelligence community and this should be relayed to [censored]." Despite the lack of official interest, some CIA analysts had a personal interest in UFOs, as indicated by another document, dated July 14, 1976: "At a recent meeting to evaluate some material from [censored], you mentioned a personal interest in the UFO phenomena. As you may recall, I mentioned my own interest in the subject..." (Emphasis added.)

When Maccabee passed on the word to Gersten and Zechel of what he had heard from his new "CIA source," they asked if his source would be willing to testify in court that the CIA had thousands of additional UFO documents. Green declined on the grounds that he was only speculating. This chilled Maccabee's relations with Green who left CIA several years later.

Maccabee Meets CIA's Pandolfi-- More UFO Lectures:

CIA funded studies of Soviet scientific papers showed a large number dealing with the use of lasers to generate underwater sound which might be used for anti-submarine warfare-- a field in which Maccabee had been working as a Navy physicist. It was this, NOT UFOs, that prompted the first meeting with Pandolfi in 1984. A friendship developed and the two would "go out for a beer and chit-chat, usually about UFOs," according to a knowledgeable source.

In the early summer of 1987, pro-UFOlogists William L. Moore, Jaime Shandera and Stanton Friedman made public the MJ-12 papers--"Top Secret" documents which claimed the U.S. Government had recovered a crashed saucer from New Mexico in 1947 and that a 12-man panel headed by then CIA director R.H. Hillenkoetter had been created to deal with UFOs. SUN's editor promptly characterized the MJ-12 papers as "counterfeit," while Maccabee then, as today, believes they probably are authentic. Pandolfi promptly invited Maccabee to give a luncheon talk on these MJ-12 papers. Maccabee told SUN that Pandolfi later told him that his MJ-12 lecture had created "a lot of spies within the Agency" as members of the audience later attempted to locate MJ-12 related documents. But to no avail.

In 1990, Pandolfi invited Maccabee out again to speak on the Ed Walters/Gulf Breeze UFO-photo case, which Maccabee had investigated and had strongly endorsed. [See SUN-4/5/6; July/Sept./Nov. 1990] At Pandolfi's invitation, Maccabee gave still another lecture this past May 28 on an alleged magnetic anomaly discovered in Gulf Breeze the day after a reported UFO sighting. On another occasion, Pandolfi invited "far-out" pro-UFOlogist Bob Oechsler to give a brown-bag-lunch lecture on Crop Circles, which he believes are created by UFOs. Oechsler not only has strongly endorsed the Gulf Breeze case but also the Carp (Canada) UFO video tape which most Canadian pro-UFO investigators have characterized as a hoax. [See SUN-20/March 1993]

A knowledgeable source told SUN that Pandolfi's choice of speakers is intended to help the CIA's Directorate of Science & Technology "develop a paradigm to enable it to distinguish between things we don't understand which may be important and things which are pseudoscience." ONE MIGHT THINK THAT LECTURES BY SKEPTICAL INVESTIGATORS COULD HELP ACHIEVE THE STATED OBJECTIVE. BUT CLEARLY PANDOLFI THINKS OTHERWISE.

## Zechel's Revenge:

Inasmuch as Zechel himself has long accused the U.S. Government of UFO-coverup, and Maccabee also espouses the same philosophy, his AIG report's attack on Maccabee might seem strange--except to those who know Zechel's vindictiveness and believe he is eager to get back into the "booming UFO business." In 1986, Zechel applied for a FUFOR grant to initiate FOIA litigation to obtain the additional CIA documents that Dr. Green speculated might exist. His request was turned down by FUFOR's five-man executive council for several reasons, including serious doubts about Zechel's financial responsibility based on his past record. In the recent AIG report, Zechel implies that Maccabee influenced the decision to please the CIA.

SUN agrees with Zechel's conclusion that the Gulf Breeze UFO case is a hoax. BUT SUN SHARPLY CHALLENGES ZECHEL'S NONSENSICAL CLAIM THAT MACCABEE'S "PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR THE [GULF BREEZE] CASE MIGHT HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED BY HIS INTELLIGENCE CONTACTS [WHICH] WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE SERVED THE CIA'S INTEREST IN KEEPING SERIOUS INVESTIGATION OF THE UFO PHENOMENON OUT OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN."

The AIG report criticizes Maccabee also on the grounds that "none of the other FUFOR members were fully aware of his dealings with Pandolfi." This ignores the fact that Maccabee's initial contact with Pandolfi involved sensitive anti-submarine warfare technology and occurred when the USSR was still a military threat. Additionally, Pandolfi may have cautioned Maccabee to avoid public discussion of his UFO talks at the CIA lest it embarrass the Agency. Understandably, Maccabee would want to maintain his good relations with Pandolfi in the hope that some day some CIA employee might accidentally "spill the beans," enabling Maccabee to finally break open the "UFO-coverup." Under the circumstances, SUN believes AIG's criticism is not warranted.

Don't be surprised if SUN's defense of Maccabee prompts Zechel to respond that this proves his 1986 accusation. that SUN's editor is a CIA agent, as well as being employed by the KGB. Thank goodness Pandolfi never invited SUN's editor to speak at a brown-bag-lunch!

## PHOTOS SHOW ETs CAN MAKE PEOPLE, THINGS AND THEMSELVES INVISIBLE, ACCORDING TO BUDD HOPKINS:

Four color photos taken by an Australian couple in 1978, which were the centerpiece of Budd Hopkins' lecture at the 1993 MUFON UFO conference in Richmond, Va. in July, prove that ETs have the miraculous ability to make anyone or anything invisible. OR THAT NO TALE IS TOO FANTASTIC FOR HOPKINS TO SWALLOW!

If Hopkins' "ET Invisibility Theory" (ETIT) is correct, it would explain some embarrassing anomalies in the Linda Napolitano case in which a Manhattan housewife claims she was "beamed" out of her 12th floor apartment into a giant, brightly illuminated UFO hovering overhead. Hopkins has characterized the case as the "most important" in the history of UFOlogy. [See SUN-17/Sept. 1992; SUN-18/Nov. 1992] In Hopkins' recent MUFON talk he admitted that "Linda has reported numerous abductions from the same apartment building and from the same neighborhood since childhood, as have other members of her family. Yet none of these extremely similar situations was apparently ever observed by independent witnesses--just her November, 1989 abduction, described by a number of people including a major political figure." This, Hopkins said, "suggests a wish [by ETs] to be seen, particularly when one considers the presence of the important political figure." [Hopkins has not publicly identified this "major political figure" but believes him to be Javier Perez de Cuellar, who in late 1989 was Secretary General of the United Nations.]

Although Hopkins believes that several persons saw Linda and three ETs being beamed out the window of her apartment and up into a hovering UFO at 3 a.m. in lower Manhattan, he admitted that he was puzzled by the fact that nobody reported seeing the UFO arrive at Linda's apartment complex. Nor, after the UFO departed with Linda on board and reportedly plunged into the East River, had any witnesses come forth to report seeing the UFO emerge from the river, return to her apartment complex and beam her back down and into her apartment.

Following a Hopkins UFO-abduction lecture in Brisbane, Australia, in the fall of 1992, he was approached by a middle-aged couple whom Hopkins refers to as Sam and Jenny "Washburn." Sam described a few incidents which, to Hopkins, "suggested classic abduction experiences." Then Jenny handed Hopkins four obviously old and oft-handled color photographs and asked: "Have you ever seen anything like this?" The four photos, which had been taken at a public park on a Brisbane beach, all had a reddish tint while blue and yellow colors were missing--suggesting a flaw in the original film or its processing. In answer to Hopkins' question, Jenny assured him that all the other frames on the same roll of film had been normal. But because the photos had been taken 14 years earlier the couple questioned whether they could find the original negatives.

One of the four red-tinted photos showed Sam/Jenny's small son on a playground slide, and another man and his son on a smaller slide. The other three photos showed beach scenes, with no people. Hopkins said he was only "mildly interested" in the photos until Jenny explained why she had shown them to him: "The thing about these pictures is that we're supposed to be in them, and we're not. Sam took one [photo] of the boys and me, and I took two of him and the boys, and when we got the pictures back from the store, WE WEREN'T IN THEM. We were standing here with the water behind us, BUT WE'RE NOT IN THE PICTURES." (Emphasis added)

Some skeptics might suspect that Jenny and Sam were simply spinning a tall tale to attract the interest of a visiting celebrity by offering him an even more fantastic tale than the Linda abduction they heard him describe in his lecture. Hopkins said: "My curiosity surged, but I replied as coolly as I could that I had never heard of this kind of problem. I asked the Washburns if anything else had happened that day at the playground that might have seemed strange. They remembered nothing unusual except the fact that they all wanted to go home shortly after they took the pictures--an unusual reaction for the children. Sam remembered feeling agitated and his wife

appearing tense, though otherwise their sons behaved normally. The playground was only a ten minute drive from their home and the boys always enjoyed going there; however, after the day of the photos no one ever wanted to go back." **NOT SURPRISINGLY, HOPKINS SUSPECTED A UFO-ABDUCTION!**

Sam and Jenny accepted Hopkins' invitation to visit him in his hotel room, and after further discussion increased his suspicions of UFO-abduction, he proposed that Jenny undergo regressive hypnosis while her husband waited in the hotel lobby, and they agreed. At one point in the hypnosis session, shortly after she reported that Sam had taken a picture of her and their two young sons, Jenny said: "We're going up. There's something big up over us." Clearly Jenny (and two sons) were being "beamed-up" to a hovering UFO in much the same way as she had heard Hopkins describe Linda's (alleged) abduction. When Hopkins asked where Sam was, Jenny replied: "He's down there where he was...holding the camera. No one seems to see the big thing up over us." Jenny's account of what occurred aboard the UFO, Hopkins said, "was a standard UFO abduction."

Hopkins said that Jenny "found it almost impossible to accept her recollections as real, and yet everything made perfect sense. The abduction experience, she realized, helped explain the strange photographs and the unusual reactions of the entire family to their trip to the esplanade [beach park]." Sam agreed to undergo regressive hypnosis the following morning, and Hopkins read a partial transcript of the session in which Sam described the UFO as a "ball."

## **Hopkins' New ET Invisibility Theory [ETIT] Explains How A Broad Daylight Abduction Can Be Hidden From Many Potential Witnesses:**

**Based on these two regressive hypnosis sessions and the four red-tinted photos, Hopkins summed up his conclusions:** "My suspicions--previously unvoiced to neither [sic] of them--had been fully confirmed. At some point Sam, Jenny, Andy and John, all four, became invisible, though they were not aware of that fact. Their bodies, their clothing, even their camera, were in effect invisible to the other visitors at the playground late on a warm Saturday morning. Two small floating balls appeared, apparently visible only to Sam... After Jenny photographed Sam and her two sons--presumably just before the balls arrived--Sam involuntarily took a picture of his wife and sons. Jenny recalled seeing her family through the lens when she photographed them...Initially Sam remembered seeing Jenny and the boys through the lens when he photographed them, but under hypnosis did not recall seeing them through the camera's eye. Perhaps when he snapped his picture they had already levitated out of camera range, or possibly, when he was frozen in place and waiting involuntarily for their return, he snapped the shutter...

"Jenny's photos, then, provide clear, though indirect, physical evidence of the phenomenon of invisibility. They buttress the near impossibility of a visible Sam not attracting attention while remaining absolutely frozen, camera to face, for perhaps an hour in a busy playground. If Sam had been visible one can easily imagine at least some small child asking: 'Daddy, why is that man standing over there with his camera without moving for so long?' Surely at some point all four Washburn family members were literally invisible to everyone nearby, as was the UFO with its bright levitating beam, and the small floating balls. And to add more conceptual confusion, a temporarily invisible camera recorded the invisibility of the Washburns against a visible landscape--the images caught in tones of red on temporarily invisible Kodak film!

"Some form of UFO abduction invisibility has been posited by David Jacobs [Hopkins' associate] and assumed by many investigators. BUT WITH THIS CASE WE HAVE THE FIRST PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE FOR ITS EXISTENCE...ANOTHER 'IMPOSSIBLE' ASPECT OF THE UFO ABDUCTION PHENOMENON HAS NOW FORCED ITSELF INTO THE CANON OF THE POSSIBLE." (Emphasis added.)

**If Hopkins is correct, and you'd like to be unfaithful to your spouse, or become a drug-smuggler, MAKE FRIENDS WITH AN ET!**

## Dr. John Mack Reports Important Discovery: Some "UFO-Abductees" Also (Seemingly) Have Experienced "Past Lives" (Reincarnation):

Harvard psychiatrist Dr. John E. Mack, who lectured at the recent MUFON conference, said his experience in working with UFO-abductees has "profoundly changed my life in virtually every imaginable way. This has changed my world view and my inner sense of myself. Almost every aspect of my personal and professional life has been impacted by working with the abduction phenomenon....I found myself speaking of spiritual matters, of the divinity and higher consciousness, even about God, which was probably the last thing I ever believed could happen when I was growing up in New York."

Mack said he first heard about Budd Hopkins while he (Mack) was being trained in a hypnosis technique called "Holotropic Breathwork Method", developed by Stanislav Grof, a Czech-born psychoanalyst. By means of "deep, rapid breathing and evocative music... [the subject is] able to have experiences and perceive entities or beings that are not considered part of consensus reality," Dr. Mack said. He said he has worked with approximately 70 persons who "fulfill my quite strict criteria for an abduction case," and had used hypnosis with more than 40 of these. Three distinct categories of information emerge from the subject, Mack said:

\* "The first is kind of familiar. It sort of looks like what we know about in our physical world--the nuts-and-bolts kind of thing. UFOs, they sort of look like spacecraft..."

\* "Then there's the second class of phenomena, which is sort of technological...things like...people being taken through walls, being floated down halls, beams of light that can move people up through the sky...it's a technology we don't [understand]--maybe its hundreds of thousands of years ahead of us."

\* "There's a third class of phenomenon which the Western physical paradigm can not deal with at all...People experience powerful past-lives, or they have a sense....during their abduction experience that they are not in space-time at all....They have a dual identity. They are sometimes human but sometimes they experience themselves as alien beings [ETs]....Sometimes the UFOs show up [appear] as helicopters, and the alien-beings show up as animals--owls, horses and deer."

Mack added: "So we are being constantly invited by this phenomenon to open up our structures of reality, to expand to what is actually not that unfamiliar to other cultures--to Eastern cultures, to Native American cultures, but which the Western consciousness--which has restricted its knowledge to the material, physical world--simply has no way to contend with."

Mack reported that when using regressive hypnosis to explore possible abductions during infancy, a subject may "say things like--with distress and sadness--'Oh God, I'm here again,' or 'I've had to come back'....Now at that point I can ignore the 'come back again, the return'... But if I've already explored the childhood and infantile abduction....[if] I say 'what do you mean return and back?' then they will describe having been a painter in an Egyptian court, or a martyred poet in ancient England, or a young man who was killed in the Civil War. I've experienced a number of times of taking people through their past-lives, and even through their deaths and what the experience of death is really like....I've taken people through cycles of birth and death and you become aware of the kind of cosmic cycle of birth and death, which is all one and which opens our sense of the realms of reality....One young man--each of his past lives involved early death."

This subject was a 39-year-old man who was "very boyish" and "looks about 18." When his younger brothers reached their late teens, "for some mysterious reason he never wanted to let them out of his sight." Thanks to Mack's acceptance of the reality of reincarnation, the subject "began to understand, through this past-life dimension, why he was so held up around growing past teen-age life. Now I can imagine what a straight (traditional) psychoanalyst would have done with him about his unwillingness to grow up and take responsibility in the world....It was the first time he really felt liberated from his need to hang on to his teen-age years."

## Dual-Identity: Are Abductees Also ETs?

Later, Mack briefly discussed what he called "*this dual-identity business....this notion that the alien-beings [ETs] represent our disclaimed souls in some way. That each abductee--and many of the ones we've worked with--have both a human and an alien identity...[and thus] can see the world through that [ET] perspective which is more spiritual and intellectual, and more knowledgeable, has a better perspective in relation to nature....What we get is an opening of our consciousness, a new harmony in the world. And what they [ETs] get and what they hunger for--they're so interested in our physical, emotional, sexual, reproductive existence that seems to be missing from their experience. So that this joining seems to be towards some new kind of entity-being that has all these qualities. So the integration of these two dimensions of the identity can be occurring in one person--a human and an alien identity. And that's the big struggle. But we can't help anybody integrate something if you reject the whole thing [UFO-abductions] as preposterous...*"

Mack admitted that he has been sorely disappointed in the reaction of fellow psychiatrists in the Harvard medical school. When Mack brought Hopkins in to discuss UFO-abductions, he said he expected that "*everybody would say this is something really important, something new is going on. Let's get on with the new human future. Not at all. I have been astounded, and I'm sure most of you [MUFON members] are astounded at the extraordinary lengths which the culture will go to try to fit whatever new comes along, whatever mysteries are there, into the paradigm of reality they already have. It's what I call the politics of 'Entology.' In other words, WHO DECIDES WHAT'S REAL?*" [SUN Question: *If a patient who believes he is a baby elephant seeks help from a psychotherapist, who should decide "what's real?"*]

### REACTIONS TO MACK'S TALK:

Mack returned home shortly after his talk and was unable to participate in a question-answer session that night. But Hopkins, who said he had talked with Mack after his lecture, commented: "*John is one of my dearest friends and I think he is an absolutely wonderful addition to our field....My question to John was: 'If there is some kind of positive transformational effect in the life of an abductee, is that something given to that person by the UFO occupants, or is that somehow a simple human response to very trying circumstances?' My feeling is that the abduction experience itself is a catalyst for growth and changes in a person. I do not see the UFO abductor in a clear-cut moral framework here...to help us in any particular way....And so when people, abductees or others, have tried to make a moral context of this, I think it's been a job of invention on their part because it doesn't fit.*"

Hopkins, commenting on Mack's "past-lives" findings, said: "*I do not get very many cases where past-life issues emerge spontaneously....I don't know that I've ever had this happen....And of course [UFO-abductions are] already such a problematic issue that to put it together with this [past-lives] seems now two problematic issues and I don't understand the relationship. I think it's perhaps more therapeutically sound to try to study the person in this life and not delve seriously into the other issue of past lives, unless it should come up. In which case, as John Mack said today, it has to be handled.*"

Linda Moulton Howe, who first achieved fame in UFO circles in the field of (alleged) "cattle mutilations," commented that Dr. Leo Sprinkle--a Wyoming psychologist and early pioneer in the use of hypnosis to probe claims of UFO-abduction--now focuses on tales of past-lives which emerge during hypnosis.

SUN WONDERS: WHY IS IT THAT ABDUCTEES WHO HAVE BEEN REINCARNATED DECIDE TO VISIT DR. MACK OR DR. SPRINKLE, WHILE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HAD PAST LIVES CHOOSE HOPKINS OR JACOBS?

SUN ALSO WONDERS: DO REINCARNATED ABDUCTEES REPORT HAVING EXPERIENCED ET ABDUCTIONS IN THEIR PREVIOUS LIVES?

**SHORT SHRIFT:**

\* When is a cult not a cult? Budd Hopkins told his MUFON audience there is a major difference between his UFO-abduction movement and a traditional cult "like David Korish or Reverend Moon. With a cult, what you have is all belief and no miracles. We have all miracles and no belief."

\* Alabama Folks Not Worth Abducting? Linda Moulton Howe, describing the results of her two-week UFO investigation in northern Alabama, reported numerous UFO sightings and 35 incidents of cattle mutilation, which she believes were caused by UFOs. "But we haven't got even a single suggestion of an abduction there," she said with a note of disappointment in her voice. [At the risk of alienating SUN subscribers in Alabama, it is obvious that while ETs consider the genitals and rectums of Alabama cattle to be first-rate, the ova and sperm of Alabama citizens is simply not up to ET standards.] Howe showed a dead cow whose missing parts included ONE eye, but she said the eye on the underside had not been removed. Apparently ETs didn't know the animal had two eyes, or the predator could not rotate its head.

\* Dr. Mack "Most Impressive." Dr. John Mack's name was most often cited in an informal SUN poll of more than a dozen attendees at the recent MUFON conference who were asked which papers they found most impressive. Mack has now become a big "drawing card" at UFO and New Age conferences. He not only will be a featured speaker at the "First Annual Gulf Breeze UFO Conference," Oct. 22-24, but also is listed as "Conference Advisor."

\* UFO-Abduction Research is No Fun for David Jacobs. In an interview published in the June/July 1993 issue of Fortean Times, Jacobs says: "*Dealing with abductees is terribly difficult--you become a de facto therapist....For 25 years, [UFO] sightings were the passion of my life--but now that I believe that close encounter sightings are masking memories of abduction events, it has taken all the fun out of UFO research.*"

\* David Jacobs, Meet Dr. Richard Boylan. Boylan, a Sacramento, Calif., psychotherapist who specializes in treating "abductees," has devised a novel treatment for easing the trauma for an attractive female patient--she joins Boylan in "naked hot tub sessions," according to an article in the July 12 edition of The Sacramento Bee. The newspaper reported that two of Boylan's female patients had filed lawsuits against him charging he used "extraterrestrial phenomena to diagnose and treat the women's emotional problems so that he could get them to join him in 'naked hot tub sessions.'...Boylan told them that based on his interpretations of their life experiences, they had separate close encounters with extraterrestrial life....Boylan further advised the women that their extraterrestrial experiences were of interest to the 'CIA and/or FBI,' which would have an interest in keeping them under surveillance, the suits said." [SUN comment: Probably during their hot tub sessions.] The article noted that Boylan, who denies the allegations, currently is president of the Sacramento Valley Psychologists Association.

\* Syringes In Pepsi Cans and UFO-Abductions. Could the desire for "celebrity status" prompt anyone to concoct a wild tale? In mid-June, the U.S. news media reported that a man had discovered a syringe inside a can of Pepsi-Cola. Within 10 days, more than 50 other people achieved celebrity status by making similar claims, which proved to be false. Many of the hoaxers probably were unaware of laws against making false claims of product tampering and that they risked prison terms of up to five years and a fine of up to \$250,000. Anyone falsely reporting an abduction to the FBI can be fined \$10,000 and spend up to five years in prison. But if a person reports a UFO-abduction to the news media, they become an "instant celebrity."

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