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Dear Editor:

I withheld comment about the Bill Cooper expose until now to provide him ~~time~~ an unhampered opportunity to straighten out some unfinished business with me.

However, he did not perform; the research material he borrowed from me early this year has not been returned. That ~~failure~~ failure brings to half-a-dozen the number of promises Bill Cooper has made to me which have been broken and supports totally the pattern of undependability set forth ~~in~~ in Don Eker's two-part series about Cooper.

That series, contrary to Cooper's habitual and phoney threats to sue, was restrained and to the point. A number of damaging charges, in fact, were understated in the articles or were withheld entirely from print.

The many occasions Cooper was given ~~chance~~ chance to present proof or evidence in the face of reasonable questions -- all ignored -- only add to the overwhelming presumption that his refusal to deliver actually represents an inability to deliver. And that brings into question his entire story ~~which~~ (excepting that portion he lifted from others ~~which~~ ^{which} may have basis in fact) which may exist only in his imagination as a scheme to extract money from gullible audiences.

There is one avenue of possible redemption for Cooper. If he can present credible evidence that he was, in fact, a member of an intelligence briefing team for CINCPAC, then the FBI and Naval Intelligence would be forced to either arrest him for divulging the Top Secret, or above, material which he claims to have obtained through his ~~official~~ official connection with the briefing team or to formally ~~deny~~ deny the "evidence" Cooper had put forth.

If the national security apparatus of the United States continues to exhibit marked disinterest or total disdain in Cooper's "courageous" efforts to present government secrets to the public, a prudent person might conclude there is ~~not~~ ^{simply} ~~no substance~~ ^{is} on which the government might prosecute him. Any prosecution, it would seem, would be at the state level where he might be tried for fraudulently taking money from the public; however, the great success of P. F. T. Barnum illustrates just how likely that would be.

If someone were to argue that Cooper is secretly getting his information from government insiders (and, therefore, that's why the feds haven't arrested him), consider how ~~foolish~~ foolish that makes the "G" appear. The patently false tour "on an intelligence briefing team" then would represent a cover story that was ~~subject~~ subject to exposure as a lie, a ~~contradiction~~ contradiction in terms.

I have interviewed a former Navy Lieutenant Commander who did actually serve on the CINCPAC intelligence briefing team, starting one year before Cooper's tour of duty ~~started~~ with the Flag Administrative Unit in Honolulu and lasting one year after Cooper was shipped out to sea duty again. This officer told me that he does not remember Cooper at any briefing and says he believes the story is simply a hoax.

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It is possible that Cooper, an enlisted man, did serve on guard duty at ~~FAU~~ FAU (which was his secondary speciality after ~~steerer~~ steerer of boats). But Cooper was not a commissioned officer and, in fact, was busted one stripe for being over the hill 10 days during his assignment with FAU.

If Cooper did steal classified documents (a story he told some UFO folks before he went public with his version of Majority 12), then how convenient it later became to tell those same folks that the garage in which the papers had been stored burned to the ground. Some investigators who sought to check that story out ran into a stone wall when Cooper refused to provide an address at which the ostensible fire ~~occurred~~ took place, its date, or even the name of his ~~then~~ then wife, from whom he is now divorced. Fire departments keep good records of structure burns. But even proof of a fire would not prove existence of the stolen documents, would it?

The challenge offered now for Cooper, to prove his "courageous" position in serving the American public in revealing secret documents which he swears he saw, legally or not, is to authorize me to submit this letter to the FBI and Naval Intelligence and agree to the lie box test which he ~~has~~ has told many an audience he would gladly submit to -- provided someone else would pay the bill.

I think the FBI and/or Naval Intelligence might be persuaded to ~~not~~ bear the cost of such a test. I also think either or both agencies would want to retain the right to present any evidence obtained in such an investigation to a grand jury, if warranted. ~~Should~~ Should Cooper demur from a lie detector test by a government agency, and a private or non-governmental agency agree to foot the bill for such a test, I think that as a measure of his sincerity he should agree that the results of such a test be admissible in a court of law.

Sincerely,



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P.S. Some people may remember my name as producer ^b on a videotape sold by Cooper on his talk in Sedona two years ago. I was glad to help him then, even gavé him early copies of a bibliography for my book which he has been selling to lecture audiences. I also was glad to go to bat ^{cer} for Bill when the Phoenix Journals ~~plagiarized~~ plagiarized his material (along with that of a number of other writers, including former congressman Ron Paul and P. Antony Sutton). However the suit against the Phoenix Journals, frequently and colorfully threatened by Cooper, has yet to materialize.