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‘Umar ibn al-Khattāb (may Allah be pleased with him) said: "If a man acknowledges his paternity of a child (even) for a moment, he has no right to deny it (later)."
[Good chain of narrators] [Al-Bayhaqi]

This report indicates that if a man acknowledges his paternity of a child, he has no right to deny this paternity or the child’s attribution to him later. This is because paternity is one of the rights that is established by acknowledgment, and a subsequent denial or negation is not acceptable.

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