OPINION 1012

THALASCARIS BATE, 1878 (CRUSTACEA, DECAPODA): SUPPRESSED UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.-(1) Under the plenary powers the generic name Thalascaris Bate, 1878, is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy.

(2) The generic name Thalascaris Bate, 1878, suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2044.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1928)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. L. B. Holthuis in April 1970. The application was sent to the printer on 1 July 1970 and was published on 29 March 1971 in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 27: 257-258. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in this case was given in the same part of the Bulletin and to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; Bull. zool Nomencl. 21: 184) and to one specialist serial. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 28 February 1973 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (73)5 either for or against the proposals set out in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 27: 258. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 28 May 1973 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes-twenty-two (22), received in the following order: Holthuis, Eisenmann, Lemche, Mayr, Simpson, Corliss, Vokes, Alvarado, Rohdendorf, Melville, Willink, Dupuis, Starobogatov, Sabrosky, Tortonese, Heppell, Nye, Binder, Brinck, Ride, Bernardi, Bayer.

Negative votes-none (0).

Voting Papers not returned-three (3): Munroe, Erben, Habe.

Commissioner Kraus returned a late affirmative vote.

In returning his voting paper Commissioner Dupuis made the following comment (2.iii.73): "Il est cependant dommage de donner un type à un nomen nudum! Il serait préférable de ne pas officialiser cette désignation de type".

ORIGINAL REFERENCE

The following is the original reference for the name placed on the Official Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion: Thalascaris Bate, 1878, Ann. Mag. nat. Hist. (5)2:282

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (73)5 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under

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the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1012.

R. V. MELVILLE Secretary International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature London 5 October 1973

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