PAPIAS GODMAN, [1900] (INSECTA, LEPIDOPTERA): DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers all designations of type-species for the nominal genus Papias Godman, [1900], made prior to the present Ruling are hereby set aside, and the nominal species Pamphila integra Mabille, 1891, is hereby designated to be the type-species of that genus.

(2) The generic name Papias Godman, [1900] (gender : masculine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, Pamphila integra Mabille, 1891, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1770.

(3) The specific name integra Mabille, 1891, as published in the binomen Pamphila integra (type-species of Papias Godman, [1900]) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2213.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1682)
The present case was received as one of fourteen prepared by the late Mr. Francis Hemming. The application was sent to the printer on 4 December 1964 and was published on 5 April 1965 in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 22 : 77. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the Bulletin as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; Bull. zool. Nomencl. 21 : 184) and to eight entomological serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION
On 19 April 1967 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (67)20 either for or against the proposals relating to Papias Godman set out in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 22 : 77. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 19 July 1967 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-one (21), received in the following order: China, Vokes, Mayr, Sabrosky, Alvarado, Boschma, Obruchev, Binder, Holthuis, Uchida, Munroe, Lemeche, do Amaral, Tortonese, Forest, Stoll, Mertens, Kraus, Bonnet, Ride, Evans.

Negative votes—none (0).

Voting Papers not returned—two (2): Hubbs, Simpson.

Commissioners Jaczewski and Brinck returned late affirmative votes.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES
The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

integra, Pamphila, Mabille, 1891, Bull. C. R. Soc. ent. Belg. 35 : clxix
CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (67)20 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 829.

W. E. CHINA
Acting Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

London

3 August 1967

COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED DECISION ON THE VALIDITY OF
DIDERMOCERUS BROOKES, 1828 (MAMMALIA). Z.N.(S.) 1779
(see volume 24, pages 55–56)

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In a paper on the Sumatran rhinoceros (Groves, 1965, Säugetierk. Mitt. 13: 128–131) I used the generic name Didermocerus Brookes, 1828, for this species, following Ellerman & Morrison-Scott. However since then a study of numerous papers on fossil rhinoceroses of Europe and Asia has convinced me that to continue to use Didermocerus would result in considerable hardship. No palaeontologist uses Brookes’s name for the extinct forms related to the Sumatran rhinoceros; all of them use Dicerorhinus Gloger, 1842, and so do many neozoologists in speaking of the Sumatran rhinoceros itself. Accordingly, since Didermocerus has not gained anything like universal currency in spite of Ellerman and Morrison-Scott, I have reverted to Dicerorhinus in my latest paper (forthcoming in Säugetierk. Mitt.).

The question of the validity of Brookes, 1828, has a bearing also on the question of the generic name of the chimpanzee. If Pan Oken, 1816, is not validated for the chimpanzee, the name for consideration is Brookes’s Theranthropus. Whatever the comparative merits of Pan and Chimpanzee, I think it will be agreed that Theranthropus is not a desirable substitute. The only problem in suppressing Brookes’s work entirely would be the name for the cheetah, Acinonyx, which could be validated by plenary powers at the same time as Brookes’s catalogue is suppressed.

I would therefore strongly support Alternative B—to reject Brookes, to place Dicerorhinus on the Official List of Generic Names, and to place Didermocerus on the Official List of Rejected and Invalid Names.

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