OBJECTION TO DR. L. B. HOLTHUIS' PROPOSALS RELATING TO THE NAMES "CRANGON" FABRICIUS, 1798, AND "ALPHEUS" FABRICIUS, 1798 (CLASS CRUSTACEA, ORDER DECAPODA)

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I am interested to learn that Dr. L. B. Holthuis of the Rijksmuseum in Leiden has applied to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature for a suspension of the rules to allow for the reinstatement of Alpheus of Fabricius for Crangon of Weber and of Crangon of Fabricius for Crago of Lamarck.

Together with a number of other working carcinologists I have accepted, in my taxonomic papers, Weber's names for the genera concerned. One can understand the desire of some workers, particularly those in Europe to retain Alpheus and Crangon of Fabricius particularly as the genera contain well-known forms repeatedly referred to in text books etc., for many years. However, I do feel that as Crangon of Weber and Crago of Lamarck have been recognised and used for such a long time, particularly by most of the active workers in the United States, the restoring of the old names now is not advisable.

SUPPORT FOR DR. L. B. HOLTHUIS' PROPOSALS RELATING TO THE NAMES "CRANGON" FABRICIUS, 1798, AND "ALPHEUS" FABRICIUS, 1798 (CLASS CRUSTACEA, ORDER DECAPODA)

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Je suis pour la validation de Crangon Fabricius, 1798, et d'Alpheus Fabricius, 1798, d'accord avec L. B. Holthuis.

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