OPINION 1407 LAMIA AETHIOPS FABRICIUS, 1775 DESIGNATED AS TYPE SPECIES OF CEROPLESIS SERVILLE, 1835 (INSECTA, COLEOPTERA)

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers all type species designations for the nominal genus *Ceroplesis* Serville, 1835 are set aside and *Lamia* aethiops Fabricius, 1775 is designated as type.

(2) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of

Generic Names in Zoology:

(a) Ceroplesis Serville, 1835 (gender: masculine) type species by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, Lamia aethiops Fabricius, 1775;

(b) Diastocera Dejean, 1835 (gender: feminine), type species by

monotypy, Lamia trifasciata Fabricius, 1775.

(3) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of

Specific Names in Zoology:

- (a) aethiops Fabricius, 1775, as published in the binomen Lamia aethiops (specific name of the type species of Ceroplesis Serville, 1835);
- (b) trifasciata Fabricius, 1775, as published in the binomen Lamia trifasciata (specific name of the type species of Diastocera Dejean, 1835).

HISTORY OF THE CASE Z.N.(S.)2180

An application to designate Lamia trifasciata Fabricius, 1775 as type species of Ceroplesis Serville, 1835, was first received from Dr R. C. Marinoni (Universidade Federal do Parana, Brazil) on 14 May 1976. After correspondence a revised draft was published in Bull. zool. Nom., vol. 40, p. 248 (December 1983). Public notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the case was given in the same part of the Bulletin as well as to nine general and eight specialist serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 17 April 1986 the members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool.* Nom., vol. 40, p. 248. At the close of the voting period on 17 July 1986 the state of the voting was:

Affirmative Votes—nineteen (19) received in the following order: Melville, Savage, Cocks, Kabata, Willink, Mroczkowski, Corliss, Starobogatov, Schuster, Halvorsen, Hahn, Uéno, Thompson, Alvarado, Ride, Bayer, Kraus, Cogger, Dupuis

Negative Votes—two (2) Kraus, Cogger. Holthuis abstained.

No votes were returned by Bernardi, Heppell, Lehtinen and Trjapitzin. Gruchy was on leave of absence.

In abstaining, Dr Holthuis said that in the absence of any information on the frequency of usage of the two names, on the consequences of a strict application of the code, and on the importance of the genera in general and applied science, he felt unable to vote. Dr Ride requested that *Diastocera* be placed on the Official List, and this has been done since the relevant facts were before the Commission.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

aethiops, Lamia, Fabricius, 1775, Systema Entomologiae, p. 174

Ceroplesis Serville, 1835, Ann. Soc. entemol. France, vol. 4, p. 93

Diastocera Dejean, 1835, Catalogue de la collection de Coléoptères de M. le

Compte Dejean, vol. 4, p. 342

trifasciata, Lamia, Fabricius, 1775, Sytemata Entomologiae, p. 174.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (1986) 22 were cast as set out above, that the proposals contained in that voting paper have been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1407.

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Executive Secretary
International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
London
18 July 1986