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DIRECTION 7

DETERMINATION OF THE GENDER TO BE ATTRIBUTED TO CERTAIN GENERIC NAMES PLACED ON THE "OFFICIAL LIST OF GENERIC NAMES IN ZOOLOGY" BY THE RULINGS GIVEN IN "OPINIONS" 134 TO 181

RULING:—(1) The gender to be attributed to each of the under-mentioned generic names dealt with in the Opinions severally noted below is hereby determined as being the masculine gender:—(i) Bacillus St. Fargeau & Serville, 1825 (Opinion 149); (ii) Bethylus Latreille, [1802—1803] (Opinion 153); (iii) Bracon Fabricius, [1804—1805] (Opinion 162); (iv) Cephus Latreille, [1802—1803] (Opinion 139); (v) Ceraphron Jurine, 1807 (Opinion 174); (vi) Cimbex Olivier 1790 (Opinion 144); (vii) Crabro Fabricius, 1775 (Opinion 157); (ix) Diprion Schrank, 1802 (Opinion 157); (x) Dryinus Latreille, 1804 (Opinion 153); (xi) Ephialtes Gravenhorst, 1829 (Opinion 159); (xii) Hemimerus Walker, 1871 (Opinion 149); (xiii) Ichneumon, Linnaeus, 1758 (Opinion 159); (xiv) Lasius Fabricius, [1804—1805] (Opinion 151); (xv) Leptophyes Fieber, 1852 (Opinion 149); (xvii) Myrmecophilus Berthold, 1827 (Opinion 149); (xvii) Proctotrupes Latreille, 1796 (Opinion 178); (xix) Psophus Fieber, 1853 (Opinion 149); (xx) Satyrus Latreille, 1810 (Opinion 142); (xxi) Schizodactylus Brullé, 1835 (Opinion 149); (xxii) Sphex Linnaeus, 1758 (Opinion 180); (xxiii) Sphingonotus Fieber, 1852 (Opinion 149); (xxiv) Stenopelmatus Burmeister, 1838 (Opinion 149); (xxiv) Torymus Dalman, 1820 (Opinion 155); (xxvi) Tridactylus Olivier, 1789 (Opinion 149).

(2) The gender to be attributed to each of the undermentioned generic names dealt with in the *Opinions* severally noted below is hereby determined as being the feminine gender:—(i) *Ammophila* Kirby, 1798 (*Opinion* 180); (ii) *Anthophora* Latreille, 1803 (*Opinion* 151); (iii) *Arge* Schrank, 1802 (*Opinion* 157); (iv) *Argynnis*

Fabricius, 1807 (Opinion 161); (v) Astata Latreille, 1796 (Opinion 139); (vi) Chelidura Berthold, 1827 (Opinion 149); (vii) Colias Fabricius, 1807 (Opinion 146); (viii) Euploea Fabricius, 1807 (Opinion 163); (ix) Euthalia Hübner, [1819] (Opinion 167); (x) Gampsocleis Fieber, 1852 (Opinion 149); (xi) Gryllacris Serville, 1831 (Opinion 149); (xii) Helicopis Fabricius, 1807 (Opinion 137); (xiii) Labia Leach, 1815 (Opinion 149); (xiv) Locusta Linnaeus, 1758 (Opinion 158); (xv) Oedipoda Latreille, 1829 (Opinion 149); (xvii) Phaneroptera Serville, 1831 (Opinion 154); (xvii) Pimpla Fabricius, [1804—1805] (Opinion 159); (xviii) Pontia Fabricius, 1807 (Opinion 137); (xix) Proscopia Klug, 1820 (Opinion 149); (xx) Saga Charpentier, 1825 (Opinion 149); (xxi) Vanessa Fabricius, 1807 (Opinion 156).

(3) The gender to be attributed to each of the undermentioned generic names dealt with in the *Opinions* severally noted below is hereby determined as being the neuter gender:—(i) *Nymphidium* Fabricius, 1807 (*Opinion* 171); (ii) *Phyllium* Illiger, 1798 (*Opinion* 149).

I.—THE STATEMENT OF THE CASE

In Direction 3 (August 1954, Ops. Decls. int. Comm. zool. Nomencl. 3:417—426) the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, acting in compliance with the General Directive issued to it by the Thirteenth International Congress of Zoology, Paris, 1949 (1950, Bull. zool. Nomencl. 4:341) that the gender of each name placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology should be specified in the entry to be made in that List in relation to that name, gave a Ruling regarding the gender to be attributed to the generic names placed on the foregoing Official List in the Opinions rendered prior to 1948 which form the first instalment of the Opinions included in volume 3 of the present series. The present Direction, which constitutes the second stage in the compliance by the Commission

with the General Directive referred to above, contains determinations of the gender to be attributed to each generic name placed on the *Official List* by the Commission in volume 2 of the present Series, with the exception of the gender to be attributed to six names, decisions on which (as explained in paragraph 5 below) have been temporarily postponed to permit of further examination of the issues involved. Subject to the exception noted above, the present *Direction* completes the action required to give effect to the General Directive of the Paris Congress in respect of all names placed on the *Official List* since 1936. The proposals on which the present *Direction* is based were contained in the following paper submitted to the Commission by Mr. Francis Hemming, Secretary to the Commission, on 2nd July 1954:—

Gender to be attributed to the generic names placed on the "Official List of Generic Names in Zoology" by Rulings given in "Opinions" 134 to 181

By FRANCIS HEMMING, C.M.G., C.B.E., (Secretary to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature)

By its vote taken on Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)6, the Commission discharged, in relation to *Opinions* 182 to 194, the obligation laid upon it by the General Directive issued by the Thirteenth International Congress of Zoology, Paris, 1948, that it should inscribe on the *Official List of Generic Names in Zoology* the gender attributable to each generic name which either had already, or might thereafter, be placed upon that *Official List*. The action so taken completed the action required in connection with the *Opinions* comprised in Volume 3 of the work *Opinions and Declarations* and made it possible to arrange to send to the printer the concluding Part (Title Page, Indexes, etc.) of that volume. It is now necessary to take corresponding action in regard to the generic names placed on the *Official List* by the Rulings given in the *Opinions* (*Opinions* 134—181) comprised in volume 2 in the foregoing series.

- 2. Volume 2 of the work *Opinions and Declarations*, etc., contains 48 *Opinions*, in only 23 of which are generic names placed on the *Official List*. The number of names standardised in this way in those *Opinions* is 55. It is these names to which it is now necessary to attribute a gender. The names concerned, with particulars of the *Opinion* in which each was placed on the *Official List*, are shown in Annexe 1 to the present note.
- 3. Consideration was given in May 1951 to the arrangements to be made for obtaining expert advice for the formulation of proposals for the consideration of the Commission for the assignment of

a gender to each generic name placed on the Official List prior to the issue by the Thirteenth International Congress of Zoology of the General Directive referred to in paragraph 1 above. It was then decided by the International Trust for Zoological Nomenclature to secure for this purpose the services of a scholar engaged in teaching the Classical Languages at a leading University, and, after appropriate consultations the Trust then invited Mr. F. J. Lelievre (London University, Bedford College) to undertake this task. Mr. Lelievre accepted this invitation, and in August 1951 he furnished his Report on this subject. In this Report, Mr. Lelievre, after setting out the general principles by which he has guided himself in the task entrusted to him, indicated the gender which, in his opinion, was attributable to each of the 625 generic names concerned. Mr. Lelievre added explanatory notes as regards any name for which he considered this to be necessary.

4. The proposal now submitted to the Commission, which is based upon the Report received from Mr. Lelievre, is that, so far as concerns the generic names placed on the *Official List* in volume 2 of the work *Opinions and Declarations*, the gender to be attributed to those names shall be the gender specified in Column (2) of Annexe 1 to the present paper. In Annexe 2 are given notes furnished by Mr. Lelievre in his Report in regard to certain of the names concerned.

ANNEXE 1

Gender proposed to be inscribed in the "Official List of Generic Names in Zoology" in respect of the names placed on that "List" by Rulings given in "Opinions" 134 to 181

Generic Name	Gender proposed to be assigned to name specified in Col. (1)	" Opinion" in which name specified in Col (1) was placed on " Official List"
Morpho Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	137
Helicopis Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	,,
Pontia Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	,,
Cephus Latreille, [1802—1803]	Masculine	139
Astata Latreille, 1796	Feminine	,,
Satyrus Latreille, 1810	Masculine	142
Crabro Fabricius, 1775	Masculine	144
Cimbex Olivier, 1790	Masculine	,,
Colias Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	146
Bacillus St. Fargeau & Serville, 1	825 Masculine	149
Chelidura Berthold, 1827	Feminine	**
Eumastax Burr, 1899	Masculine	,,

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Generic Name	to name specified in Col.	specified in Col.
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		List"
Gampsocleis Fieber, 1852	Feminine	149
Gryllacris Serville, 1831	Feminine	,,
Gryllotalpa Latreille, [1802—1803]	Feminine	,,
Hemimerus Walker, 1871	Masculine	,,
Labia Leach, 1815	Feminine	,,
Leptophyes Fieber, 1852	Masculine	,,
Mantis Linnaeus, 1767	Masculine	,,
Myrmecophilus Berthold, 1827	Masculine	,,
Oedipoda Latreille, 1829	Feminine	,,
Phyllium Illiger, 1798	Neuter	,,
Prophalangopsis Walker, 1871	Masculine	,,
Proscopia Klug, 1820	Feminine	,,
Psophus Fieber, 1853	Masculine	,,
Saga Charpentier, 1825	Feminine	,,
Schizodactylus Brullé, 1835	Masculine	,,
Sphingonotus Fieber, 1852	Masculine	,,
Stenopelmatus Burmeister, 1838	Masculine	,,
Tridactylus Olivier, 1789	Masculine	,,
Lasius Fabricius, [1804—1805]	Masculine	131
Anthophora Latreille, 1803	Feminine	,,
Bethylus Latreille, [1802—1803]	Masculine	153
Dryinus Latreille, 1804	Masculine	,,
Phaneroptera Serville, 1831	Feminine	154
Tylopsis Fieber, 1835	Masculine	,,
Torymus Dalman, 1820	Masculine	155
Vanessa Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	156
Cryptus Fabricius, [1804—1805]	Masculine	157
Arge Schrank, 1802	Feminine	,,
Diprion Schrank, 1802	Masculine	,,
Locusta Linnaeus, 1758	Feminine	158
Ichneumon Linnaeus, 1758	Masculine	159
Pimpla Fabricius, [1804—1805]	Feminine	,,
Ephialtes Gravenhorst, 1829	Masculine	,,
Argynnis Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	161
Bracon Fabricius, [1804—1805]	Masculine	162
Euploea Fabricius, 1807	Feminine	163
Pompilus Fabricius, 1798	Masculine	166
Euthalia Hübner, [1819]	Feminine	167
Nymphidium Fabricius, 1807	Neuter	171
Ceraphron Jurine, 1807	Masculine	174
Proctotrupes Latreille, 1796	Masculine	178
Sphex Linnaeus, 1758	Masculine	180
Ammophila Kirby, 1798	Feminine	,,

ANNEXE 2

Notes furnished by Mr. F. J. Lelievre on the gender attributable to certain generic names published in volume 2 of the work "Opinions and Declarations"

(Ed. Note:—Greek words have been transliterated into the Latin alphabet for the purpose of the preparing of this paper.)

- (1) Prophalangopsis and (2) Tylopsis: "Opsis" (Greek) feminine, forms feminine compound nouns in the Classical Greek period, "opsis" bearing the meaning "sight", "view". In later Greek, compound adjectives were formed derived from "opsis" in the sense "countenance", "aspect", "appearance". The affinity of the modern compounds is to the latter: the masculine gender is appropriate.
- (2) Eumastax: The Greek word "mastax", feminine (="jaw"). This word did not form any compounds so far as we know. Eumastax in Greek, however, would naturally be classed as an adjective, and on the analogy of compounds formed from words with a similar termination (e.g., aulax, bolax) this adjective would be used of the masculine as well as the feminine gender. As a noun-equivalent, Eumastax would bear the masculine genders.
- (3) Gampsocleis: "kleis", feminine, "bolt", "hook", "collarbone", forms nouns and adjectives in composition. Both are restricted to the feminine gender in actual usage and I have therefore classed Gampsocleis as feminine.
- (4) Gryllotalpa: "Talpa" is normally feminine, though one instance of its use in the masculine gender is quoted by Lewis and Short. The feminine gender should therefore be retained for the Official List.
- (5) Colias: The attribution of the masculine gender to this word would rest principally on the fact that certain Greek adjectives in "-as", including those in "-ias", are to be found in the masculine as well as in the feminine gender, and that such adjectives used as nouns would normally be regarded as masculine. "Colias" belongs in origin to this general group of words, but as used in antiquity,

whether as a place name or as a cult-name of Aphrodite, it is feminine, and the modern zoological name is undoubtedly based on these uses.

- (6) Sphex: Masculine strongly predominates. Liddell-Scott-Jones quotes only one clear instance of the feminine and this may be disregarded.
- **2.** Registration of the present application: On receipt, the present application was allotted the Registered Number Z.N.(G.)67/7.

II.—THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON ZOOLOGICAL NOMENCLATURE

3. Issue of Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13: Concurrently with the submission to the Commission of the Draft Direction given in Annexe 1 to the note numbered Z.N.(G.)67/7 by the Secretary reproduced in paragraph 1 above, a Call for a Vote, numbered V.P.(O.M.)(54)13, was issued on 2nd July 1954 under the One-Month Rule. In this Voting Paper each Member of the Commission was asked to state (1) whether he agreed that "in conformity with the General Directive relating to the recording on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology of the gender of each name placed thereon prior to 1948, issued to the International Commission by the Thirteenth International Congress of Zoology, Paris, 1948, the gender specified in Column (2) in Annexe 1 to the note by the Secretary submitted simultaneously with the present Voting Paper should be entered in the foregoing Official List in respect of the names enumerated in that paragraph ", and (2) if he did not so agree as regards any given item, to indicate the item concerned.

- 4. The Prescribed Voting Period: As the foregoing Voting Paper was issued under the One-Month Rule, the Prescribed Voting Period was due to close on 2nd August 1954. In view, however, of doubts which arose on the question whether two Members of the Commission (Bradley (J.C.); Dymond) had duly received the Voting Papers issued to them, the Secretary gave directions on 2nd August 1954 that the Voting Period be extended for a period sufficient to enable the Commissioners concerned to record their Votes on the duplicate Voting Papers then issued to them. Ultimately, the Voting Period in this case was closed on 11th September 1954.
- 5. Withdrawal of proposals relating to the gender to be attributed to six generic names to permit of further examination of the issues involved: During the Prescribed Voting Period for Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13, comments and suggestions were received four Commissioners (Cabrera; Esaki; Holthuis; Jaczewski) in regard to the gender to be attributed to individual names included in the list submitted to the Commission for decision. Altogether, the following six names were involved in these comments: —(1) Prophalangopsis Walker, 1871; (2) Tylopsis Fieber, 1853; (3) Eumastax Burr, 1899; (4) Morpho Fabricius, 1807; (5) Mantis Linnaeus, 1767; (6) Gryllotalpa Latreille, [1802—1803]. When on 2nd August 1954 Mr. Hemming, as Secretary to the Commission, reviewed the votes and comments received in relation to Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13, he executed a Minute directing (a) that the proposals submitted in that Voting Paper in relation to the gender to be attributed to the six generic names specified above be withdrawn for further examination and (b) that, in consequence, the Vote on Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13 be treated as being concerned only with the other names specified in the memorandum Z.N.(G.)67/7 submitted to the Commission simultaneously with the foregoing Voting Paper.
- 6. Particulars of the Voting on Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13: At the close of the Prescribed Voting Period, extended in the manner specified in paragraph 4 of the present *Direction*, the state of the voting was as follows on the proposals submitted

in Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13, exclusive of the proposals relating to the six names specified in paragraph 5 of the present *Direction* which, as there explained, had been withdrawn from the purview of the foregoing Voting Paper by the Minute executed by the Secretary to the Commission on 2nd August 1954:—

(a) Affirmative Votes had been given by the following eighteen (18) Commissioners (arranged in the order in which Votes were received):

Hering; Vokes; Cabrera; Esaki; Jaczewski; Lemche; Hemming; Stoll; Sylvester-Bradley; Pearson; do Amaral; Holthuis; Mertens; Bonnet; Boschma; Riley; Bradley (J.C.); Dymond;

(b) Negative Votes:

None;

(c) Voting Paper not returned, one (1):

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7. Declaration of Result of Vote: On 11th September 1954, Mr. Hemming, Secretary to the International Commission, acting as Returning Officer for the Vote taken on Voting Paper V.P.(O.M.)(54)13, signed a Certificate that the Votes cast were as set out in paragraph 6 above and declaring that the proposal submitted in the foregoing Voting Paper, exclusive of the proposals relating to the six names specified in paragraph 5 above, which, as there explained, had been withdrawn from the purview of the foregoing Voting Paper by the Minute executed by the Secretary on 2nd August 1954, had been duly adopted and that the decision so taken was the decision of the International Commission in the matter aforesaid.

- 8. On 23rd September 1954 Mr. Hemming prepared the Ruling given in the present *Direction* and at the same time signed a Certificate that the terms of that Ruling were in complete accord with those of the proposal approved by the International Commission in its Vote on Voting Paper V.P.(O.M)(54)13.
- 9. The original references for the generic names, the gender attributable to which is determined by the Ruling given in the present *Direction*, are specified in the *Opinions* on which decisions on those names were severally taken by the Commission.
- 10. The prescribed procedures were duly complied with by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature in dealing with the present case, and the present *Direction* is accordingly hereby rendered in the name of the said International Commission by the under-signed Francis Hemming, Secretary to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, in virtue of all and every the powers conferred upon him in that behalf.
- 11. The present *Direction* shall be known as *Direction* Seven (7) of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature.

DONE in London, this Twenty-Third day of September, Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Four.

Secretary to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature

FRANCIS HEMMING