NOTICES

The International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature has received the following Applications, which were published recently in the Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature. Comment or advice on them is invited for publication in the Bulletin, and should be sent to the Executive Secretary, ICZN, c/o The Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD, U.K.

Case no. 2723. *Phororhacos* Ameghino, 1889 (Aves, Gruiformes): proposed conservation.

Abstract. The purpose of this application is to conserve the name *Phororhacos* Ameghino, 1889, which has been widely used for a genus of fossil giant flightless birds from South America. The name was first published as *Phorusrhacos* Ameghino, 1887, based on a single bone then thought to be mammalian, but although this spelling did not appear again for 75 years and was rejected in 1968 as a nomen oblitum it has had extensive recent usage.

Case no. 2762. Griffithides Portlock, 1843 (Trilobita): proposed confirmation of Griffithides longiceps Portlock, 1843 as the type species, so conserving Bollandia Reed, 1943.

Abstract. The purpose of this application is to conserve the Carboniferous trilobite name *Griffithides* Portlock, 1843 in its accustomed usage by setting aside an overlooked type species designation. In 1846 Oldham designated Asaphus globiceps Phillips, 1836 as type of Griffithides, but the subsequent designation by Vogdes (1890) of G. longiceps Portlock, 1843 is universally accepted. In 1943 Reed designated Asaphus globiceps as the type of his new subgenus Bollandia. It is proposed that Oldham's designation of Asaphus globiceps as type of Griffithides be set aside to conserve Griffithides and Bollandia in their accustomed usage.

The following **Opinions** were published recently in the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature*.

- Opinion no. 1587. Orbitolina d'Orbigny, 1850 (Foraminiferida): Orbulites concava Lamarck, 1816 confirmed as the type species.
- Opinion no. 1608. Marssonopora Lang, 1914 (Bryozoa, Cheilostomata): Membranipora densispina Levinsen, 1925 designated as the type species.
- Opinion no. 1609. *Drepanites* Mojsisovics, 1893 and *Hyphoplites* Spath, 1922 (Mollusca, Ammonoidea): conserved.
- Opinion no. 1610. Valanginites Sayn in Kilian, 1910 (Mollusca, Ammonoidea): authorship of the genus confirmed, and Ammonites nucleus Roemer 1841 confirmed as the type species.
- Opinion no. 1620. Monograptus exiguus (Graptolithina): accepted usage conserved by citation of Lapworth (1876) as author.