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COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO AMEND ARTICLE 70 OF THE
CODE Z.N.(S.)2477
(see vol. 41, p. 156)

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I wish to support the amendment concerning misidentified type species proposed by Sabrosky. The Secretary has pointed out (p. 158) that the proposal conflicts with Articles 67e and 69a(i) of the third edition of the Code. I would suggest, therefore, that these articles be amended to remove this conflict. The wording could perhaps be as follows:

Article 67e. Add at end 'except in the case of misidentified type species, when the provisions of Article 70b will allow a species other than an originally included nominal species to be fixed as the type species.'

Article 69a(i). Add after '[Art. 70c]' 'except in the case of misidentified type species, when the provisions of Article 70b will allow a species other than an originally included nominal species to be fixed as the type species.'

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This amendment is long overdue; it seeks to provide stability by adhering to the original author's intent in describing a genus-group name. The Secretary's comments at the end of the article do not invalidate Sabrosky's provisions, because (a) the misidentified species *is* originally included, even though the nominal species may not be, and (b) subsequent naming of the type species should no more invalidate a genus-group name than the subsequent naming of a genus-group name would invalidate a species-group name (Article 17(3)).