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**ELAPHE OBOLETA** (Western Ratsnake). USA: TEXAS: GREGG Co: Near small unnamed creek on private land, ca. 1 km E of Kilgore (32°23'39"N, 94°49'45"W). 20 April 2003. Shelby C. Braman. The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA R-52380). Verified by Ronald L. Gutherle, Jr. Specimen was a juvenile female (16.7 g, 360 mm SVL, 433 mm total length) collected in a wooden nest box containing Carolina chickadee (*Poecile carolinensis*) nestlings. First county record (Dixon 2000. Amphibians and Reptiles of Texas. Texas A&M University Press, College Station, Texas. 421 pp.).

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**HYDROPHIS COGGERI** (Cogger’s Sea Snake). NEW CALEDONIA: LOYALTY ISLANDS: Lifou: Baie du Santal, 20°46’S, 167°06’E. Observed by Philippe Borsa on 26 January 2002, at 2000 h local time from the research vessel *Alis* of Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD). The bottom was ca. 25 m in depth, and the vessel was anchored with its motor stopped. The snake was captured using a band-net, hauled on the deck, examined, photographed, and released. Total length was ca. 80 cm. Three pictures were taken by J.-L. Justine (Muséum national d’Histoire naturelle, Paris [MNHN]) and P. B. (MNHN Photo collection ine-hycog 1, ine-hycog 2, and ine-hycog 3). Verified by Roger Bour. Also, scales were taken from the tail region using scissors, stored in 90% ethanol, and deposited as tissue sample at Laboratoire Reptiles et Amphibiens, MNHN. First record for Loyalty Islands. This species was previously reported from the waters around New Caledonia’s Grande Terre and Chesterfield Reefs (Bauer and Sadlier 2000. The Herpetofauna of New Caledonia. SSAR, Ithaca, New York. 310 pp.; Ineich and Laboute 2002. Sea Snakes of New Caledonia. MNHN and IRD editions, Paris. 302 pp.).

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**LIOPHIS TAENIOGASTER** (NCC). BRAZIL: PARÁ: Itaituba (4°17’S; 55°59’W), left margin of the Tapajós River, N. Viana. 1996. Linha de Pesquisa em Herpetologia da Amazônia, Faculdades Integradas do Tapajós (LPHA 1321, male, 322 mm). Verified by A. G. Guedes. The species was known from northeastern Brazil from the State of Bahia to Amapá; west through the Amazon Basin to Lomalinda, Colombia, south to Buena Vista, Bolívia, east to the State of Mato Grosso, Brazil (Fernandes et al. 2002. Bol. Mus. Nac., N. S., Zool., Rio de Janeiro [481]:1–14). First record for middle Tapajós River (western Pará), fills the gap between previously known localities. Specimen was collected ca. 234 km airline from Santarém, the nearest previous record (Frota 2001. Herpetol. Rev. 32:123).

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