

DIPSAS VARIEGATA (NCN). VENEZUELA: ESTADO BARINAS: Barinitas City, 650 m elev. August 2002. D. Calcaño. Colección de Vertebrados, Universidad de los Andes, Mérida, Venezuela (CVULA 6532). Verified by A. Orellana. First state record, second from the Andean piedmont, 90 km SSW from the closest record from Portuguesa state (Markezich 2002. *Herpetol. Rev.* 33:71). The species seems to be distributed through all of northern South America and Panama, although the limits are not well defined (Cunha and Nascimento 1993. *Bol. Mus. Paraense Emilio Goeldi* 9:1–191). In Venezuela it is only known from the Coastal Range (Roze 1966. *La Taxonomía y Zoogeografía de los Ofidios de Venezuela*. Ediciones de la Biblioteca, Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas). The former known distribution and the new record suggest a corridor between the coastal range and the Andean foothills, as has recently been demonstrated for other snakes—*Dipsas latifrontalis* (Manzanilla et al. 2001. *Herpetol. Rev.* 32:195) and *Stenorhina degenhardtii* (Barrio and Calcaño 2001. *Herpetol. Rev.* 32:280).

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ELAPHE FLAVOLINEATA (Yellow-striped Ratsnake). WEST MALAYSIA: PAHANG: PULAU TIOMAN: Kampung, Tekek (2°48.942'N, 104°09.289'E). 17 March 2003. Female, SVL 369 mm, TL 468 mm. Perry L. Wood, Timothy M. Youmans, L. Lee Grismer. Verified by Jesse L. Grismer. La Sierra University Photographic Collection 3752. Previously known from Thailand south through west Malaysia and its western islands to Singapore. Also known from Andaman and Nicobar Islands of India and the Indonesia islands of Sumatra, Java, Borneo, Bangka, Billiton and the Indonesian archipelagos of Mergui, Mentawai, and Riau (Schulz 1996. *A Monograph of the Colubrid Snakes of the Genus Elaphe* Fitzinger. Koeltz Scientific Books, Würselen, 439 pp.). This specimen is a new record for Pulau Tioman.

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ELAPHE OBSOLETA (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. Gutberlet, 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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ELAPHE SLOWINSKII (= *Elaphe guttata guttata* in part) (Slowinski's Cornsnake). USA: LOUISIANA: CALCASIEU PARISH: State Highway 12, 13.8 km E US Route 190 in Stark, Louisiana (30°23'09"N, 93°32'37"W). 9 May 2003. TCWC 86520. Collected by KJ Lodrigue, Jr., and Ted M. Royer. Verified by Jeff Boundy. New parish record partially fills the distributional hiatus between Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, and known southeast Texas specimens (Dundee and Rossman 1989. *The Amphibians and Reptiles of Louisiana*, Louisiana State University Press, Baton Rouge. 300 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-hydcog 1, ine-hydcog 2, and ine-hydcog 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 (NCN). 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, Bolivia, 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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