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Dr. Dyrce Lacombe Fundacao Instituto Oswaldo Cruz CP 926 20 000 Rio de Janeiro, RJ Brazil

Dear Dr. Lacombe:

I understand from Drs. Sophie Jakowska and Patsy A. McLaughlin that you will be retiring soon and that you may be seeking a permanent home for your barnacle colection.

I believe it would be most appropriate for your collection to go to the Museu Nacional or the Museu Paulista, but in case they (or the Instituto Oswaldo Cruz) are not interested in housing and maintaining your collection, I am writing to express an interest in acquiring it for the Smithsonian.

Sincerely,

Raymond B. Mann Curator, Crustacea

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