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The **VI NEOTROPICAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS** will be convened by the Neotropical Ornithological Society for **4–10 October 1999** (note changed date) in Monterrey and Saltillo, Mexico. The local organizing committee is receiving inquiries for arrangements to hold symposia or other meetings that relate to the study and conservation of Neotropical avifauna. The Web site for the VI Neotropical Ornithological Congress (<http://www-cestec1.mty.itesm.mx/VICON>) will provide registration, abstract presentation and other details available. For any information, mail request to ERNESTO C. ENKERLIN, Chair of Organizing Committee, Centro de Calidad Ambiental, Sucursal de Correos J, Monterrey, NL 64849 MEXICO (Fax: 52 (8) 359 6280; e-mail: enkerlin@campus.mty.itesm.mx).

The **SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS** will be convened by Birds Australia (formerly RAOU) and the Queensland Ornithological Society for **27 June to 2 July 2000** in Brisbane, Australia. The program will include such topics as: Birds on the edge: fragmentation & disturbance; parrot conservation: methods & management; community & population ecology of forest birds; biology of ratites; historical ecology and biogeography of southern hemisphere birds; movement patterns of south hemisphere landbirds; southern mating systems; seabird ecology and conservation; breeding biology of tropical and southern hemisphere birds; wader migration studies. Fax information request to: SHOC 2000 Congress Secretariat Conventions Queensland: + 61 7 3371 9514.

The **23RD INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS** will be held in Beijing, China, on 11–17 August 2002. Information can be obtained via e-mail <infocenter@ioc.org.cn>, internet at <<http://www.ioc.org.cn>>, or the home page <<http://www.nmnh.si.edu/BIRDNET/IOC/>>. Requests to be included on the mailing list, for brochures and for information should be sent to Prof. Xu Weishu, Secretary-General of the 23rd Congress, Beijing Natural History Museum, 1-1-302, Beijing Science and Technology Commission Apt., Balizhuang, Haidian District, Beijing 100037, CHINA. E-mail <s-g@ioc.org.cn>. All inquiries about the scientific program, as well as comments and suggestions for the general program, plenary lectures, and symposia should be sent to Dr. Fernando Spina, Chair, Scientific Program Committee, 23rd Congress, Istituto Nazionale per la Fauna Selvatica, Via Ca' Fornacetta 9, I-40064 Ozzano Emilia (BO), ITALY. E-mail <infsioc@iperbole.bologna.it>. General questions and comments should be sent to Dr. Walter J. Bock, President of the 23rd Congress, Department of Biological Sciences, Columbia University, 1200 Amsterdam Avenue, Mail Box 5521, New York, NY 10027-7004, USA. E-mail <wb4@columbia.edu>. Inquiries about the International Ornithological Committee should be sent to Dr. Dominique G. Homberger, Secretary of the International Ornithological Committee, Department of Biological Sciences, 508 Life Sciences Building, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-1715, USA. E-mail <zodhomb@lsu.edu>.