On nomenclature of some Palaearctic Lycaenidae (Lepidoptera)

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The lectotype of Glaucopsyche grumi Forster, 1937 is designated. The following new synonymy is established: Turanana grumi (Forster, 1937), sp. dist. = T. kotzschiorum Tshikolovets, 1996, syn. n. Otnjukovia nom. n. is proposed as a replacement name for Otaria Zhdanko, 1984 (non Peron, 1816).

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On the identity of Glaucopsyche grumi Forster, 1937. Staudinger (1886) described from the Alai Mts a new variety Lycaena cytis var. alaica, now considered a junior synonym of Turanana panaegides (Staudinger, 1886). Groum-Grshimailo (1890) published a description and figure of "Lycaena panaegides var. alaica Stgr." based on specimens from Alai and Transalai ranges. They refer to the same taxon as described by Staudinger. Forster (1937) described specimens from the Hindu Kush ("Nuksan-Pass" and "Sebak-Tal") and established a new species Glaucopsyche grumi. He erroneously considered that his specimens are conspecific with those described by Groum-Grshimailo and incorrectly (see Code, Rec. E21) used the term "nom. nov." instead of "sp. nov." for his new taxon. The name grumi Forster is widely used for a species distributed in Afghanistan (Hindu Kush) and Tajikistan (Ishkashim Range). Tshikolovets (1996) misinterpreted the name grumi Forster as a new replacement name and hence a junior objective synonym of alaica Staudinger = alaica Grum-Grshimailo (Code, Art. 72e). He described the species previously named grumi as a new species Turanana kotzschiorum with holotype from Tadjikistan. Actually there was no available preoccupied name "alaica Gr.Grsh.", and therefore grumi, notwithstanding the incorrect term "nom. nov." used by Forster, is not a new replacement name in the sense of the Code (Glossary: "replacement name. Any available name used to replace an older available name") and not a junior objective synonym. The type series of

Glaucopsyche grumi Forster includes both the specimens examined by Forster and the specimens of Grum-Grshimailo considered by Forster as belonging to grumi (Code, Art. 72b(ii)). In accordance with Rec. 74A and 74B of the Code, I designate here the male from Nuksan-Pass figured by Forster (1937, Tafel 4, Figur 30) as the lectotype of Glaucopsyche grumi Forster (see Art. 74c). Accordingly, the following synonymy should be established: Turanana grumi (Forster, 1937), sp. dist. = T. kotzschiorum Tshikolovets, 1996, syn. n.

A new replacement name for Otaria Zhdanko. As the genus-group name Otaria Zhdanko, 1984 (Trudy zool. Inst. Akad. Nauk SSSR 122: 104) is preoccupied (Otaria Peron, 1816 in Peron & Lesueur, Voy. Aust. 2: 37; Gray, 1859, Proc. zool. Soc. Lond. 27: 360 – Mammalia), I propose here a new replacement name for it – Otnjukovia nom. n.

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