Redescription of *Lestomerus (Brachysandalus) bicolor* Villiers new synonymy of *Pirates sin* (Linnavuori) Coscarón (Heteroptera: Reduviidae: Peiratinae)

Linnavuori (Linnavuori, 1984) described *Pirates sin* in the context of Hemiptera Heteroptera from Iraq and adjacent countries.

Comparison of the holotype of *P. sin* with the holotype *P. bicolor* (Villiers) reveals that they are the same species. In addition, new characters not included in the original description are presented here.

This study is based on material belonging to the Linnavuori private collection (LC) and the Museum of Paris (MP) Terminology for the external morphology follows previous reports (Lent and Jurberg, 1966; Lent and Wygodzinsky, 1979; Coscarón, 1983). The four measurements and 11 ratios presented in Table 1 were taken according to Coscarón (1989). The terminology used for the female genitalia characters has been detailed in Coscarón (1994). Extraction, dissection, inflation, and drawings of the male and female genitalia were carried out following Coscarón (1983).

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1948 *Lestomerus (Brachysandalus) bicolor* Villiers, 241.
1990 *Brachysandalus bicolor*: Maldonado Capriles, 345.
1990 *Pirates sin*: Maldonado-Capriles 366. **New syn.**

**Material studied.** PARATYPE: female, Iraq, Baghdad, IV-V-1980, R. Linnavuori (LC); PARATYPE: female, Iraq, al-Basrah Al Kabaish, 21-28-VI-1980, R. Linnavuori (LC); PARATYPE: female, Iraq, Abuqhraib, 5-IV-1955, light trap (LC); PARATYPE: male Iraq, Baghdad (LC); PARATYPE: male, Saudi Arabia, E. Al As ’ad 28-V-1978, R. Linnavuori (LC); TYPE male Côte des Somalis (MP).


**Male genitalia** (figs. 1-4). Parameres subrectangular (figs. 3, 4).

**Female genitalia** (figs. 5-7). Gonocoxites VIII and gonapophysis, gonocoxite IX, and IX and X tergites as in figures 5, 6, and 7, respectively. IX and X tergites (fig. 7) with a lateral projection and conspicuously sculptured, as in figure 7. Measurements, see Table 1.

**Distribution.** Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and Somalia

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