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N O T I C E

Members will note with regret that V.W. Smith is leaving Nigeria for an appointment in Australia, after several productive years of amateur ornithology at Vom. Mr and Mrs Smith are at present returning to Britain for leave, via the Sahara and an ambitious project to observe Palaearctic migration en route and particularly at Tamanrasset. They left in a heavy truck via Kano and Zinder in late March, and intend to spend about two weeks at Tamanrasset, proceeding from there in late April to meet up in May with a French and British team of ornithologists engaged in migration research in northern Algeria. Mr Smith has created for himself a unique opportunity to make a major contribution to knowledge of migration over the Sahara, and members will wish him every fortune in this respect, as well as bon voyage.