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Dear Mr. Kwater:

Your letter regarding Nelson Hoy's Royal Tern specimen was misfiled in June during a fairly frantic period here, when we were hosting a large joint meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union and the Cooper Ornithological Society, and it has just now surfaced. I apologize for our slow response to your request.

We do appear to have the specimen in question. It is WFVZ no. 22729, and it a male collected for Nelson D. Hoy on 15 August 1955 at Tinicum Marsh. I have enclosed a photograph of the specimen.

Please let us know if we can be of further help on this matter, or others connected with the committee's work.

Sincerely,

Lloyd Kiff

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Dear Colleague:

The enclosed printout of our collection holdings is being sent at your request and is provided to indicate the nature and extent of our collections in your area of interest. However, these data should not be treated as primary data. Although we are constantly updating taxonomy and checking specimen identifications and associated data, we do not check all our data prior to answering queries. Outdated names, mistaken identifications, and erroneous localities do occur in our data banks.

We urge investigators to verify all specimen data provided on printouts by examination of the specimens themselves. We greatly appreciate notification of any discrepancies found, since this is our most effective means of quality control.

THALASSEUS MAXIMUS
STUDY SKINS IN THE COLLECTION OF THE
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GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 22726 SEX: F DATE: 15 Apr 1965
STATE: Sonora
COUNTY:
CITY : Puerto Penasco
MODIFIER: 1.5 mi ESE
COLLECTOR: Ohmart, R.D.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 12777 SEX: M DATE: 30 Jan 1946
STATE: Chiapas
COUNTY:
CITY : Tonala
MODIFIER: Paredon
COLLECTOR: Nakamura, Y.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 12778 SEX: M DATE: 30 Jan 1946
STATE: Chiapas
COUNTY:
CITY : Tonala
MODIFIER: Paredon
COLLECTOR: Cruz, E.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 12776 SEX: M DATE: 30 Jan 1946
STATE: Chiapas
COUNTY:
CITY : Tonala
MODIFIER: Paredon
COLLECTOR: Cruz, E.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 22729 SEX: M DATE: 15 Aug 1955
STATE: Pennsylvania
COUNTY: Delaware
CITY : Tinicum Marsh
MODIFIER:
COLLECTOR: Hoy, N.D., for

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 22730 SEX: M DATE: 04 Jun 1966
STATE: Texas
COUNTY: Refugio
CITY : San Antonio Bay
MODIFIER:
COLLECTOR: Hoy, N.D.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 22731 SEX: ? DATE: 04 Jun 1966
STATE: Texas
COUNTY: Refugio
CITY : San Antonio Bay
MODIFIER:
COLLECTOR: Hoy, N.D.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 22732 SEX: ? DATE: 04 Jun 1966
STATE: Texas
COUNTY: Refugio
CITY : San Antonio Bay
MODIFIER:
COLLECTOR: Hoy, N.D.

GENUS: Thalasseus SPECIES: maximus
CATNUM: 43279 SEX: ? DATE: 08 Nov 1985
STATE: Colon
COUNTY: Galeta I.
CITY :
MODIFIER:
COLLECTOR: Gardner, D., for

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Voting Tabulation - Round # of

Species: **Royal Tern**

Date of Sighting: **August 15, 1955**

Observer(s): **Nelson Hoy**

Date of Submission: **1990**

Submitted by: **Lloyd Kiff**

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V		
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E. Kwater	X						
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G. McWilliams	X						
S. Santner	X						
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Comments:

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Date:

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