

## Evidence for the occurrence of Pale-eyed Pygmy-Tyrant *Atalotriccus pilaris* in Brazil

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RESUMO. **Evidência para a ocorrência da maria-de-olho-claro, *Atalotriccus pilaris*, no Brasil.** Em 21 (possivelmente 22) de julho de 1992, Bruce Forrester, Davis Finch e eu observamos um indivíduo da espécie ao longo do rio Cotingo, ao norte de Contão, Roraima. A ave foi gravada e a gravação obtida encontra-se depositada no National Sound Archive, Londres.

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On 21st (possibly 22nd) July, 1992, Bruce Forrester, Davis Finch and I observed a single individual of this species along the Rio Cotingo, north of Contão, Roraima. This is the record referred to in Ridgely and Tudor (1994) and Sick (1997). The vocalization, which I recorded, was a trill lasting about one second and made up of about 20 notes, just discernibly separate, with a slight rise at the beginning and a slight fall at the end. I have compared my recording with recordings of *A. pilaris venezuelensis* made in north coastal Venezuela. These birds usually give combinations of more separate "pik" notes, but also a vocalization similar to my recording but shorter (only about 0.8 s),

containing around 11 notes. It is possible that there may be some difference due to racial variation. In my judgement, vocal comparison supports our visual identification. I have assumed the Brazilian bird to be *A. pilaris griseiceps*. My recording is deposited at the National Sound Archive, London.

### REFERENCE

Ridgely, R. S. and G. Tudor (1994) *The birds of South America. The suboscine passerines*, v. 2. Austin: University of Texas Press.