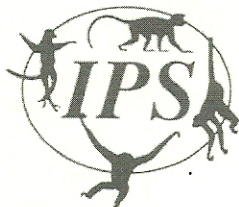


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To Whom it May Concern,

The International Primatological Society (IPS) is a scientific organization that facilitates cooperation among primatologists of all nationalities and promotes the conservation of primate species around the world. It is our understanding that the Administrative Court of Cundinamarca, Colombia, has ruled that there have been violations of Colombia's laws regarding the capture of *Aotus* monkeys for research. The IPS strongly encourages compliance with and enforcement of national and international laws that protect nonhuman primates in the wild and promote humane treatment of nonhuman primates in captivity. Therefore we encourage the Colombian judiciary to continue to carefully consider cases that come before it concerning protection of wild primates and other wildlife, as they did in this case.

Yours sincerely,

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