ciput); thorax, petiole and abdomen have sticking out [suberect or erect?] hair; there is fine hair on the first two parts of the body and thick pointed backwards hair on the first two parts of the body and thick pointed backwards hair on the abdomen. There is thick sticking [appressed?] hair on the legs and antenna (hair is finer on the scape of the antenna). Head and thorax are reddish and yellowish-brown; petiole, abdomen and legs are dirty yellow (or yellowish-brown); there is a brown spot on the top of the first very large segment of the abdomen. Length is 3 mm. "

"This subspecies is similar to *St. westwoodi neoarcticum* Mayr (from North America) by the nature of the build of the head and thorax, but it differs from it by its light coloring, shape and build of the second node. It is very similar to the typical *St. westwoodi*; it is noted not only for its body coloring, but also by dull coloring of the head and thorax, and its smaller in size. Males and females are not known.

"Inhabitance: Turkystan, Ser-Darinskya district, city Aulieata, worker found in a loose garden soil near a tree, 2.XI.1900 (Retuger)." (Ruzsky, 1905: 711 - 712 — translated by S. Goldgof).

DISCUSSION

S. westwoodi asiatica is known only from the above locality. No other information regarding its biology is known, nor have any additional records surfaced since its original collection. Since the original collection was in November and some North American *Stenamma* have been recently shown to only be conspicuously present above ground during the winter months (DuBois and Davis,1998), this species should be searched for in November.

I tentatively could place this species in the *westwoodii* group (near *S.debile*) based upon the superficial similarities mentioned in the above description. Given the type locality and that of *S. ucrainicum* (=*S. debile* in this revision), these two species could be closely related (or synonymous). It is also possible that *S. sogdianum* and this species are related (or synonymous). Without specimens, I choose to leave this taxon as *incertae sedis*. Palpal formula is unknown (but presumed to be the same as all other *Stenamma* examined during this study).

MATERIAL EXAMINED

None. Type specimen could not be located (G. Dlussky and A. Antropov, pers. comm.). Specimens should have been among ZMUM collection (which was searched by above individuals). No material