TRANS-ATLANTIC MOVEMENT BY A JUVENILE HAWKSBILL TURTLE

On 20 July 1990, a tagged juvenile hawksbill sea turtle weighing 40 Kg and measuring 74 cm (straightline carapace length) was captured and killed in Dakar, Senegal. The turtle had been tagged in a feeding ground at the Biological Reserve of Atol das Rocas in Brazil (03°52'S, 33°49'W) on 25 January 1990 with a style 681 monel tag from National Band and Tag Company (Newport, Kentucky USA). The distante traveled by this young turtle was at least 2,300 miles [3680 Km] during these six months. This is the second record of a sea turtle tagged in Brazil and subsequently recaptured in the eastern Atlantic. The first was a juvenile loggerhead released in the state of Espírito Santo and later reported in the Azores Archipelago (Bolten et al., 1990)

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