

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

PLARACUENTE INS-0000887963

Inspection Report

Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico

Po Box 363255

San Juan, PR 00936-3255

Customer ID: 325361

Certificate: 94-C-0116

Site: 001

UNIVERSIDAD

INTERAMERICANA DE PUERTO

RICO

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 28-AUG-2023

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Separation.

The facility has an adult non-releasable Floridian manatee, Guacara, housed singly in the enclosure labeled 24K pool. The Center has been offered to long-term house another non-releasable Floridian manatee, named Cayo, presently at Zoo Tampa. It is the attending veterinarian's professional opinion that "Guacara" should have the companionship of a compatible animal of the same or biologically related species. Manatees are semi-social animals and do better medically and psychologically when they are housed in pairs or groups. Marine mammals, whenever know to be primarily social in the wild, must be housed in their primary enclosure with at least one compatible animal of the same or biologically related species.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with Facility Representative.

Additional Inspectors:

MARIO MERCADO, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

30-AUG-2023

Date:

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

OFFICER

Received by Title: Facility Representative

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Species Inspected

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Count 000007 000005 000002 000002	Scientific Name Trichechus manatus Pelecanus occidentalis Gymnasio nudipes Sula leucogaster	Common Name CARIBBEAN MANATEE BROWN PELICAN PUERTO RICAN OWL BROWN BOOBY
000002 000001	Falco sparverius Fregata magnificens	AMERICAN KESTREL MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD
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