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Dear Editor,

Please see attached our short communication entitled “**The first record of the** **Uniform-Finch (*Haplospiza unicolor* Cabanis, 1851) in the Cerrado and Center-West of Brazil**” to be considered for publication in the Ornithology Research journal.

In this short report, we identify a new occurrence spot of the Uniform-Finch (*Haplospiza unicolor* Cabanis, 1851), a species originally reported only in the Atlantic Forest. Here, we shared the first record of this bird in the Cerrado biome, as well as its first record in the state of Goiás, Brazil.

Our new natural history finding contrasts with all the available occurrence data of *Haplospiza unicolor*. Through a simple comparison, we show how far this species is from other records obtained from databases, and we calculate the average distance of all the previous records with the new record of this species. We found that this new species occurrence record is the farthest point that has ever been recorded, thus probably comprising an isolated population of *Haplospiza unicolor*.

We briefly discuss the need to study this species in depth in the region where we recently recorded it, as it comprises a dry and rocky savanna very distinct from the bird's original geographical region of the Atlantic Forest. We believe that our short communication note will open opportunities for a better understanding of the behavior of the *Haplospiza unicolor*, such as its ability to disperse and inhabit other biomes.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely.

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