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Field No.

Provenience: Polynesia, Tuvalu (Ellice Is.), Funafuti Is.**People or Culture:** Tuvaluans

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Object: KNIFE and SHEATH**Material:** iron, coconut fiber, wood, plastic tape, paint

Description: (A) Iron blade with wood grip. Tip of grip is painted black; plastic tape wound around handle to improve grip; blade is rusty. (B) Sheath is wood covered with twisted coir strips; top layer has a cross-match design; carrying loop at top of sheath.

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(A) Knife L=34.4 cm; W= 4.0; D: 2.6 cm.

(B) Sheath L=23.5; W=4.4; D=2.3 cm.

Dimensions:

(in cm.)

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