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CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM—ETHNOLOGY

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Provenience: Western Caroline Islands; Palau Islands

Field No.

People or Culture: Palauan

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Object: wooden plate

Material: wood

Description: round; four shell inlay pieces set in rim; putty-like repair; native name: orsachel; used for eating starch foods; One of a set of 10. Property until sale in January of 1955 of the chief of Ngarabao hamlet in Ngerechelong municipality of Babeldaob Island. Formerly belonged to

Dimensions: his mother. His father purchased them (in cm.) for her.

diameter: 22.5

circumference: 69.5

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Collection: Presented by Roland W. Force; Collector, 1956. Tri-Institutional Pacific Program Ethnological Expedition to Palau, 1954-1956.

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Coconut cord used for hanging on wall.
Chief is now near 70 years of age.