268375 Provenience: Micronesia, Western Carolines, U'lithi Island

Field No.

People or Culture: Yap District

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Object: WOMEN'S SKIRT, LAVA-LAVA ("Gow")

Material: Banana fibers (Musa sp.); Hibiscus Tiliaceus L.

fibers; cotton fibers; native dye. Description: Skirt woven with natural background, long

borders edged in red stripe, then narrow strips of purple and white, similar design in center of skirt, background design of dark blue triangular motifs in vertical patterns. Fringe is red, white, purple and natural. (over)

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Dimensions: Length with fringe: 202.0; width: 52.5

(in cm.)

3346 Collection Purchased from Marvin Montvel-Cohen, 6/22/77; collected by Montvel-Cohen, 1967-1971.

SEE Müller, Südsee Expedition 1908-1910, Yap, Book 1, plate 32; McBean, Handicrafts of South Seas, 1976, p. 98; National Geographic, May 1963, pp. 742-743; also Collection Notes in Acc. Catalogue #268375.