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People or Culture: Turkana**Object:** Front plaque (akusin?)**Material:** Cow's tail, beads**Description:** Cow's tail with hair forms a long front plaque with a thin leather thong for tying around the neck. Decoration is of sewn white beads in an arch pattern with blue and red centers. There are horizontal bands of strings of red and white and blue and white beads. Lower end has sewn vertical bead strings in red, white and dark blue. Plaque is sewn with sinew from a cow's back muscle. Worn by young girls for dancing.

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Dimensions: Length 84 cm Width 14.5 cm
(in cm.)

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Collection: Field Museum of Natural History Purchase 1974
Collected by Mrs. Ann Prewitt 1973

