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Provenience: Melanesia, Irian Jaya, Asmat area

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People or Culture: Asmat**Object:** Mbis pole (Bis Ko)**Material:** wood, native paint, vegetable fiber, coix
lachyrma, arbus praetorius seeds**Description:**

Mbis pole of 2 male standing figures surmounting upside down stooping human figure with 2 bird heads. Bottom male figure holds a black crocodile with its tail at his chin, top figure hold projection of 3 figures carved openwork angling outward.

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Dimensions:H: 348cm D: 93cm W: 28cm (w/projection)
(in cm.)

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