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Field No.

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Provenience: Amapyaka village, Wabag valley,
Western Highlands, New Guinea

People or Culture: Enga

Object: Hair ornament (called Tsiah)

Material: tail of Striped Phalanger (Dactylopsil
trivirgata), wood

Description: Animal tail with wooden stick to
facilitate placing in hair or into wig.
Sometimes this kind of ornament is split
and worn on neck. Wood splint is thrust
inside tail skin.

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Dimensions:
(in cm.)

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Collection: Purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Don R.
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