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Provenience: Melanesia, Irian Jaya, collected on
Biak Island

People or Culture: New Guineans

Object: ARROW

Material: Bamboo, palmwood, vegetable gum and fiber

Description: Arrowhead of black palmwood, sharply pointed with 10 barbs. Barbs 1 and 2 on opposite sides; 3 and 4 close together on one side, 5 and 6 likewise opposite, etc. Head inserted in bamboo shaft, lashed on with vegetable gum covered fiber. (See cataloguer's notes)

Dimensions: L 136.4; dia. of shaft 1.5
(in cm.)

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Collection: Gift of Mrs. Martha Maciejewski, 11/23/79;
Collected by Charles F. Maciejewski, WW II, 1940's.