

AGENT

FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY—ETHNOLOGY

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Provenience: Melanesia, Irian Jaya, collected on Biak Island

Field No.

People or Culture: New Guineans

Object: ARROW

Material: Bamboo, palmwood, vegetable gum, fiber, stain

Description: Sharply pointed, palmwood arrowhead flattened along one side, stained red-brown with traces of black, with 18 barbs from tip to shaft arranged: 1; 2 and 3 parallel; 4-18 placed singly on opposite sides at increasingly longer intervals. Head is inserted in bamboo shaft and lashed with gum covered fiber.

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Dimensions: L 158.6; dia. of shaft 1.3
(in cm.)

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