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Provenience: Melanesia, Irian Jaya, collected on Biak Island

People or Culture: New Guineans

Object: ARROW

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

Description: Pointed, carved palmwood arrowhead flattened at tip so that it is triangular in cross-section. Charcoal flaking off, gum and fiber lashing repair around cracks near middle. There are 18 barbs arranged from tip to shaft: 1 and 2 parallel; 3 below; then 4 other side; 5,6 opposite side; 7,8,9 other side; 10,11,12 opposite; 13, repair, 14,15 other side; 16, 17, 18 opposite side. Head is inserted in bamboo

Dimensions: L 166.0; dia. of shaft 1.3
(in cm.)

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shaft and lashed on with gum covered fiber.
There are 2 stained and incised rings below
the lashing.

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