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Provenience: Melanesia, Irian Jaya, collected on
Biak Island WW II

Field No.

People or Culture: New Guineans

Object: ARROW

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

Description: Sharply pointed, carved, wooden arrow-
head, diamond shaped in cross-section with thick
charcoal stain. There are 20 barbs arranged from
tip to shaft: 1; 2 and 3 parallel; 4; opposite 5,6;
opposite 7,8; interval opposite 9,10; interval
opposite 11,12; interval opposite 13,14; ditto 15,16;
ditto 17,18; ditto 19,20. Head is inserted in bamboo
shaft and lashed on with gum covered rattan. Head has
cracks and stain rubbed off in places.

Neg. No.

Dimensions: L 136.0; dia. of shaft 1.1
(in cm.)

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Collection: Gift of Mrs. Martha Maciejewski, 11/23/79;
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