FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY—ETHNOLOGY 24-35 Provenience: Kenya Location Machakos market

People or Culture: Kamba

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Object: Double packet snuff (mbake)

Material: Banana leaf, sisal, tobacco

Description: Tobacco is grown on shambe and dried in the sun. Women pound it in a mortar and put it in a tin with lid. Customers are allowed to sample. Snuff is made up

into small banana leaf packets and tied at each end with sisal fibre string. Two are tied together. Taken on the tongue by women. Men and women sniff. Kamba do not chew tobacco.

Dimensions: Lengths 7.5 and 8 cm. Diam. 2.75 and 2.25

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