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Basic Information

Inventory number	ELM_LHH_2005_0032
Object name	Schwirrhölzer/ Tjurunga
Indigenous name	Atywerrenge/ Tjurunga
Place where collected	Australien, Northern Territory, Region Hermannsburg/ Ntaria
Materials	Not assigned
Parts	Einzelteil
Technology	Not assigned
Year of manufacture	wahrscheinlich vor 1891
Type of object	secret/sacred
Category of object	Ethnographica
Cultural attribution	No attribution
Description	wahrscheinlich Aranda | Hartwig Harms: "A short description of the four pieces: Three are made from wood; 2 of them have engravings on both sides, 1 only on one side. One is made of clay, with engravings on both side. All engravings have very similar patterns.There is no register which tells about the time they arrived here at Hermannsburg nor how they were obtained. There are ink marks written on them which indicate that they were registered here before 1900. Since the three Hermannsburg missionaries Schwarz, Schulze and Kempe left Hermannsburg/Ntaria by 1891, they probably were sent here before that year. (It is less likely that they came from missionary Warber, who during his short presence in Ntaria 1892-4 saw no future for the mission work.) – People here did not understand their religious function, so the wooden tjurungas were interpreted as "Schwirrhölzer" (bullroarers). Small wholes were drilled into the tops so that they could be displayed hanging."

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Documentation

Year of arrival in the current collection	wohl vor 1891
Type of acquisition	durch unbekannte Erwerbsart
Acquired	Wahrscheinlich Missionare Hermann Kempe, Wilhelm Friedrich Schwarz, oder Louis Gustav Schulze
Previous owner	Wahrscheinlich Missionare Hermann Kempe, Wilhelm Friedrich Schwarz, oder Louis Gustav Schulze

Provenance

- vor 1891 acquired through Evangelisch-lutherischen Missionswerk durch unbekannte Erwerbsart at/from Missionaren Hermann Kempe, Wilhelm Friedrich Schwarz oder Louis Gustav Schulze.
- vor 1891 acquired through Missionaren Hermann Kempe, Wilhelm Friedrich Schwarz oder Louis Gustav Schulze durch unbekannte Erwerbsart at/from unbekannter Person.

Comments

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Additional Information

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