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New York – Wednesday, March 19, 2008

Sale no: 1976 – Top Ten

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Sold:	\$20,216,925	£9,959,076	€12,795,522
Lots Sold: 285	Lots Offered: 370	Sold by Lot: 77%	Sold by \$: 87%
Exchange Rate: £ = \$ 2.03 / € = \$ 1.58			

Lot	Description	Estimate (\$)	Purchase Price	Buyer
396	A very rare and important gilt-bronze figure of a seated Bodhisattva, Liao dynasty (10 th -11 th century) WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR A LIAO DYNASTY BRONZE	1,000,000 1,500,000	\$2,505,000 £1,233,990 €1,585,443	Littleton & Hennessy Asian Art
561	An important Longuan celadon Kinuta vase, Southern Song dynasty (1127-1279)	800,000 1,200,000	\$2,281,000 £1,123,645 €1,443,670	American Private
400	A magnificent large gilt-bronze figure of Manjusri (1403-1425)	1,000,000 1,500,000	\$1,049,000 £516,748 €663,924	Asian Private
644	A fine and rare underglazed red and blue-decorated apple-form water pot (1662-1722)	200,000 300,000	\$769,000 £378,817 €486,706	Chak's Company Ltd
366	A rare cloisonné enamel bell, Yongzhong/ Qianlong period (1723-1795)	50,000 60,000	\$657,000 £323,645 €415,822	Asian Private
606	A very rare large blue and white moonflask	500,000 600,000	\$541,000 £266,502 €342,405	American Private
436	A rare large dark green jade figure of a water buffalo, 17 th /18 th century	400,000 600,000	\$421,000 £207,389 €266,455	European Trade
478	A large grayish-green jade blade, Shang dynasty, circa 1200 BC	15,000 18,000	\$421,000 £207,389 €266,455	Eskenazi Ltd
426	A rare inscribe large white jade archaistic <i>BI</i> , Qianlong inscribed <i>YU TI</i> mark and dated to the <i>JLA YIN</i> year, corresponding to 1794, and possibly of the period	20,000 30,000	\$337,000 £166,009 €213,291	Anonymous
512	A massive well-modeled chestnut and cream-glazed pottery figure of a Bactrian camel	150,000 250,000	\$313,000 £154,187 €198,101	European Private

Tina Zonars, International Director of Chinese Works of Art said, "Today's total of \$26,299,588 set a record for the highest series of Chinese works of art sales at Christie's New York. A testament to the quality of the objects and the strength of the worldwide market, confident bidding was witnessed in all categories. The various owner sale exceeded the pre-sale high estimate with a total of \$20,216,925 and set a record for a Liao dynasty bronze, with highly spirited bidding in a packed salesroom. The Meriem Collection of snuff bottles, part II, was 100% sold and set a record for a Chinese snuff bottle, emphasizing the growing international appeal of this collecting field. The sale of Chinese textiles from the collection of Linda Wrigglesworth was the first of its kind in the U.S., marking the accomplishments of this dealer and collector, whose dedication to the field raised Chinese textiles to the status of works of art."

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Date and Location of Next Sale New York, September 2008

