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## Important Chinese Snuff Bottles from The J&J Collection, Part IV

### Fine Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

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|------------|--------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| Sold:      | \$16,887,840 | £8,572,507        | €12,602,865      | Sale No: 1866 and 1814 |
| Lots Sold: | 328          | Lots Offered: 477 | Sold by Lot: 69% | Sold by \$: 78%        |
| \$:        | £1.97        | \$: €1.34         |                  |                        |

| Lot                                                                                                  | Price       |          |            | Estimate          | Buyer          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 132                                                                                                  | \$1,832,000 | £929,949 | €1,367,164 | \$400,000-600,000 | China Private  |
| A very rare and important imperial set of ten inscribed white jades, Song dynasty and later.         |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 98                                                                                                   | \$768,000   | £389,848 | €573,134   | \$40,000-60,000   | European Trade |
| A fine white Jade brush washer, 18 <sup>th</sup> Century.                                            |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 222                                                                                                  | \$712,000   | £361,421 | €531,343   | \$300,000-400,000 | Asian Private  |
| A rare dark grey stone head of Buddha, Tang dynasty (618-907).                                       |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 226                                                                                                  | \$504,000   | £255,838 | €376,119   | \$120,000-180,000 | Asian Private  |
| A very rare gilded and painted limestone Buddhist plaque, late 14 <sup>th</sup> Century.             |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 209                                                                                                  | \$480,000   | £243,655 | €358,209   | \$400,000-500,000 | Private        |
| An extremely rare gilt-bronze seated figure of Buddha, 10 <sup>th</sup> Century.                     |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 292                                                                                                  | \$420,000   | £213,198 | €313,433   | \$400,000-500,000 | Eskenazi Ltd.  |
| A very rare and important large longquan celadon carved double-gourd vase, 15 <sup>th</sup> Century. |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 339                                                                                                  | \$384,000   | £194,924 | €286,567   | \$200,000-300,000 | Asian Trade    |
| A large Ming-style blue and white moon flask, 1736-1795.                                             |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 336                                                                                                  | \$384,000   | £194,924 | €286,567   | \$150,000-200,000 | Eskenazi Ltd.  |
| A rare large blue and white dragon dish, 1723-1735.                                                  |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 227                                                                                                  | \$384,000   | £194,924 | €286,567   | \$350,000-450,000 | Anonymous      |
| A large painted wood figure of a guardian king, 13 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> Century.          |             |          |            |                   |                |
| 385                                                                                                  | \$360,000   | £182,741 | €268,657   | \$30,000-40,000   | Asian Trade    |
| A Guan-type flower-form dish, 18 <sup>th</sup> Century.                                              |             |          |            |                   |                |

“Following the fantastic prices set in Hong Kong for the Hartman collection of jades, it was very gratifying to see the highly esoteric and scholarly set of ten jades from the Song dynasty leading today’s sale of *Fine Chinese Ceramics and Works of Art*. Formerly in the collection of Stephen Junkunc III – as two other works featuring in the top-10, lots 222 and 385 – this set was bought by a private collector from China for \$1.8 million. The sculpture section of the sale performed equally strongly with the superb Tang dynasty stone head of Buddha and the limestone Buddhist plaque from the late Yuan/Early Ming dynasty attracting active bidding. The ceramics section featured several superb objects such as the celadon double-gourd vase, Ming dynasty (\$420,000) and the large Qianlong blue and white moon flask (\$384,000). *Important Snuff Bottles from the J&J Collection Part IV* totaled \$2,959,200 and highlight of the sale included an Imperial enameled glass snuff bottle, Qianlong period (\$273,600). The presence of Hong Kong, Taiwan and China based collectors was clearly noticeable throughout both sales.” Theow Tow, Deputy Chairman Christie’s Americas and Asia and Tina Zonars, Head of Chinese Art at Christie’s New York

