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## 19th and 20th Century Art Thursday, 20 April 2006

Total: U\$\$3,307,920 Lots Offered: 139 Lots Sold: 84 Sale No: 1003  $\pounds$ 1,868,881 Sold by Lot: 60.43% Sold by  $\pounds$ : 70.21%  $\pounds$ 1.770/ €1.446  $\pounds$ 2,287,635

## Comment: Roni Gilat-Baharaff, Director and Specialist in Charge of the Sale:

"We are delighted to have set a new world auction record for any Israeli work of art at Christie's annual sale of 19th and 20th Century Art in Tel Aviv on 20 April 2006. In front of a packed saleroom which was filled to capacity, *Timepecker* by Mordecai Ardon sold for \$643,200, setting an auction record for any Israeli work of art and doubling the previous record for any work by the artist. Offered from the Estate of Benno Gitter, an Israeli industrialist and philanthropist, the price more than doubled its pre-sale high estimate and after fierce bidding, the saleroom erupted into applause at the world record price. Elsewhere in the sale, active bidding was witnessed from a large number of private clients with strong prices achieved for quality works of art and seminal Israeli paintings. Christie's next sale in Tel Aviv will be held in April 2007."

LOTS 72 Mordon	\$643,200	£ £363,390	€ €444,814	Estimate \$200,000-300,000	<b>Buyer</b> Private
Mordecai Ardon (1896-1992), Timepecker, 1963 WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR AN ISRAELI WORK OF ART WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR THE ARTIST					
			€305,394 Jerusalem, circa 195 ECORD FOR T		Private
73 Mordeo	\$240,000 cai Ardon (1896 -	~	€165,975 mp d'honneur, 1980	\$140,000-180,000	Private
74 Mordeo		£74,576 - 1992), Compositio		\$80,000-120,000	Private
66 Reuver			€70,539 lowers at an Open V	\$70,000-90,000 Vindow, circa 1960	Private
53 Mordeo		£50,847 - 1992), Jacob's Dr	•	\$50,000-70,000	Private
27 Jankel		~ /	€58,091 Haupt des Holofern	\$70,000-90,000 nes, 1927-1928	Trade
118 Yaacov		£42,034 , Composition, 1982	€51,452	\$60,000-80,000	Private
39 Mordeo		£42,034 - 1992), Olive Tree	•	\$40,000-60,000	Private
56 Reuver		£40,678 74), Landscape in (	€49,793 Galilee, 1960	\$40,000-60,000	Private