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The Italian Sale 20th Century Art Monday, 24 October 2005

Total: £12,844,800	Lots Offered: 71	Lots Sold: 61	Sale No: 7176
\$22,683,917	Sold by Lot: 86%	Sold by £: 87%	\$.1.766/ €.1.476
€18,958,925			

Comment: Olivier Camu and Mariolina Bassetti, Specialists in charge of the sale: "We are extremely pleased with the highest total ever achieved to date of any 20th century Italian art sale. Tonight, six new world record prices were realised for Italian artists, in a packed saleroom with 87% of lots selling. Christie's has confirmed its leadership position for 20th century Italian art. We are particularly happy with the price achieved by the gun 'Bella ciao' by Pino Pascali at £1,352,000 (\$2.4m/€2m). The work achieved over the last five Italian Sales is baring its fruits with the world recognising the incredible importance of the 20th century Italian art movements against the backdrop of a selective art market.

LOTS	£	\$	€	Estimate	Buyer
52	£1,352,000	\$2,387,632	€1,995,552	£1,500,000-2,000,000	Anon
Pino Pascali, <i>Cannone 'Bella ciao'</i> , 1965					
32	£590,400	\$1,042,646	€871,430	£350,000-450,000	Private
Alberto Burri, <i>Nero cretto</i> , 1973					
51	£572,000	\$1,010,152	€844,272	£250,000-350,000	European Trade
Jannis Kounellis, <i>Untitled</i> , 1971					
WORLD RECORD PRICE FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION					
39	£523,200	\$923,971	€722,243	£500,000-600,000	European Trade
Lucio Fontana, <i>Concetto spaziale, attese</i> , 1965					
WORLD RECORD PRICE FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION					
40	£478,400	\$844,854	€706,118	£450,000-550,000	European Trade
Lucio Fontana, <i>Concetto spaziale</i> , 1954					
6	£456,000	\$805,296	€673,056	£230,000-280,000	Private European
Giorgio de Chirico, <i>Ettore</i> , 1930s					
13	£456,000	\$805,296	€673,056	£280,000-380,000	Private US
Giorgio Morandi, <i>Natura Morta</i> , 1952					
49	£433,600	\$765,737	€639,993	£350,000-550,000	European Trade
Jannis Kounellis, <i>Untitled</i> , 1960					
60	£433,600	\$765,737	€639,993	£120,000-180,000	Private US
Alighiero Boetti, <i>Cubo</i> , 1968					
WORLD RECORD PRICE FOR THE ARTIST AT AUCTION					
5	£321,600	\$567,945	€474,681	£300,000-400,000	Anon
Carlo Carrà, <i>Lo scaricatore di porto</i> , 1906-11					