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Ancient Jewelry & Antiquities

December 9 & 10, 2004

Sold: \$6,426,542 Lots offered: 520 Lots sold: 399 £: \$1.92/€:\$1.33
£3,343,902 Sold by lot: 77% Sold by \$: 81% Sale No: 1445 & 1446
€4,831,987

COMMENT: "This week's sales capped a banner year for Christie's International Antiquities Department, and confirmed yet again that Christie's is by far the world leader in ancient art at auction" said G. Max Bernheimer, International Specialist Head of the Antiquities department. Worldwide sales totaled over \$30 million. New York achieved fantastic results in June, highlighted by the Morven Collection, and later in the year antiquities were big sellers in the single-owner sales of the collections of Doris Duke in June and C. Ruxton and Audrey B. Love in October. Our London team was very successful this year with the sale of ancient arms and armor from the Axel Guttman Collection in April, followed by the famed ancient animals collection of the late Leo Mildenberg in October. Yesterday's sale of Ancient Jewelry, which totaled \$1,206,415, was the highest total for this specialized category in New York since its inauguration in 1999, topped by the world auction record for an ancient cameo at \$321,100. Today's sale was equally triumphant, led by a rare Roman silver skyphos, which sold for \$623,500, while an important collection of Roman marbles firmly exceeded pre-sale expectations. We look forward with great anticipation to 2005."

LOT	PRICE	ESTIMATE	BUYER
550	\$623,500 £324,739/€468,796	\$600,000-800,000	Private
<i>A Roman parcel gilt silver skyphos, circa 1st century BC – early 1st century AD</i>			
121	\$321,100 £166,373/€241,428	\$300,000-500,000	American Private
<i>The Marlborough Cameo – A Roman onyx cameo portrait of the Emperor Claudius, 41-54 AD</i>			
WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR AN ANCIENT CAMEO			
606	\$265,100 £138,072/€199,323	\$100,000-150,000	European Private
<i>A Roman marble Sylvanus, circa late 2nd century AD</i>			
592	\$265,100 £138,072/€199,323	\$100,000-150,000	European Private
<i>A Roman marble Mercury, circa 1st-2nd century AD</i>			
567	\$231,500 £120,572/€174,060	\$120,000-180,000	American Private
<i>A Roman marble Apollo, circa 1st-early 2nd century AD</i>			
559	\$197,900 £103,072/€148,796	\$150,00-250,000	American Private
<i>A Roman marble Venus, circa 1st century AD</i>			
463	\$186,700 £97,239/€140,375	\$60,000-80,000	American Trade
<i>A Greek Corinthian type bronze helmet, circa early 5th century BC</i>			
447	\$153,100 £79,739/€115,112	\$70,000-90,000	European Private
<i>A large cycladic marble female torso, Late Spedos variety, circa 2500-2400 BC</i>			
462	\$125,100 £65,156/€94,060	\$50,000-70,000	American Private
<i>An attic black-figured hydria, circa 530-520 BC</i>			
579	\$119,500 £62,239/€89,849	\$30,000-50,000	American Private
<i>A Roman marble table support, circa 1st-2nd century AD</i>			