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South Kensington, Thursday, 10 April 2014, Sale 5267

[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

135 lots sold	Total: £850,625 / \$1,427,349 / €1,030,107	62% sold by lot		
219 lots offered	\$ 1.678 = £1 / € 1.211 = £1	78% sold by value		
Lot	Description	Estimate (£)	Price Realised	Buyer
216	An ice-axe associated with George Mallory	6,000 - 8,000	£132,100 \$221,664 €159,973	Warren B Kanders, Owner and Executive Chairman of Black Diamond Inc.
49	An Elephant Bird egg, Madagascar, pre-17 th century WORLD RECORD PRICE FOR AN ELEPHANT BIRD EGG	30,000 - 50,000	£122,500 \$205,555 €148,348	Anonymous
62	Andreas Vesalius (1514-1564) De humani corporis fabrica libri septem. Basel, 1543	30,000 - 50,000	£43,750 \$73,413 €52,981	North American Private

James Hyslop, Head of Department and Nicholas Lambourn, Director of Topographical Pictures, commented: "We are pleased with the sale which saw strong results across every category. The saleroom was full, with collectors bidding on the telephones as well as strong online participation. The sale was led by the ice-axe associated with George Mallory which sold for £132,100, soaring above its estimate, the high price a measure of the respect in which England's legendary mountaineer is still held both here and around the world. We witnessed three continents fiercely competing for the Elephant Bird egg, resulting in a world record auction price of £122,500. We look forward to our next sale of Travel, Science & Natural History on 8 October 2014."

Notes to Editors:

The buyer of lot 216 is Warren B. Kanders, an owner and Executive Chairman of Black Diamond, Inc. Mr. Kanders serves as a trustee at The Winston Churchill Foundation of the United States.

Black Diamond, Inc. is a global leader in the design, manufacturing and marketing of innovative active outdoor performance and technical products for climbing, mountaineering, backpacking, skiing, mountain biking and other active outdoor recreation activities.

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Next Sale: Travel, Science & Natural History - South Kensington, 8 October 2014

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Estimates do not include buyer's premium. Sales totals are hammer price plus buyer's premium and do not reflect costs, financing fees or application of buyer's or seller's credits.