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'katatora' Friction Oracle Of The 'luba' Shankadi Tribe Of Congo - Africa - Late 19th Century



1 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Solid wood

Length : 13 cm

Description
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'Katatora' friction oracle from the 'Luba' Shankadi tribe of Congo - Africa - late 19th century  
The katatora (or kashekesheke) among the Luba was a friction oracle. It was used by diviners (nganga) to consult the ancestors: by rubbing the object, the movement or stoppage indicated the answer. Its main use was to resolve conflicts, guide important decisions and restore social harmony.  
Ex. Belgian colonial collection  
Ex. 'Zemanek-Münster' auction rooms  
estimate 1500-3000 euro

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