



Large Reliquary Statue Mbete Or Ambete Gabon Or Republic Of Congo



3 500 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Description

Large Reliquary Statue Mbete Or Ambete, Republic of Congo ... Height 100 cm, blows, losses, wear, attacks of xylophages ... Remains of black and red polychromies, as well as layer of kaolin. One foot is broken, for the record this statue had a broken leg which was very weakened by termites, and no longer stood up, it was given to an association which installed wells in Congo to be sold, and to finance new works. The buyer had it restored, rather well moreover. A rope was passed through the 2 holes under the arms to keep the door of the reliquary closed. We will note a significant and unusual glossy patina on the arms, because probably held during dances or processions, as well as above the sex on the lower abdomen, due without doubt, to important ritual frictions! A rare object! Photos taken in daylight

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