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CERTIFICATE :

OLD BABYLONIAN CYLINDER SEAL WITH AMURRU WESTERN ASIATIC - 2000-1600 BC

MATERIAL AND TECHNIQUE: A black limestone cylinder seal with the god Amurru and his crook, another god and a female with animals, accompanied by a museum-quality impression and a copy of an old scholarly note, typed and signed by Professor W.G. Lambert. « The design, which rests on a base-line, consists of three standing figures. On the right is the shepherd god Amurru in beard and long robe, holding up his crook in both hands, beneath which is a small standing goat. In front of him is a god in long robe open at the front where one leg projects. He is holding up a standard with five globes, under which is a fish. The third figure is a nude female depicted frontally save for the head, which is sideways. »

Very good condition.

ORIGIN: This is an Old Babylonian seal, c. 2000-1600 B.C., in an unusual style and probably from west Iran.

This lot is part of a single collection of cylinder seals which were examined in the 1980s by Professor W. G. Lambert, late Professor of Assyriology, University of Birmingham, 1970-1993, and most are accompanied by his own detailed notes. The collection has recently been reviewed by Dr. Ronald Bonewitz.

DIMENSIONS: Height: 1,9 cm

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