A NEOLITHIC CALCIFIED JADE NOTCHED BI DISC
unsigned, the disc of grayish white jade, the surface of which is somewhat corroded, has its edge equally divided into three sections placed at approximately 120º to each other. Each begins with a sharp primary section and continues with a series of secondary serrations until a smooth circumferential section intervenes before the next section. On one side only a single line is incised to intersect almost at right angles (89º) with a double line, both are off center.

diameter 9 3/4 in (24.8cm)

ESTIMATION 10,000-15,000 USD
Lot vendu: 3,000 USD

PROVENANCE
Time Museum Inventory No. 599
NOTE DE CATALOGUE
Although interpreted during most of the 20th century as astronomical and time measuring instruments, recent reassessments of early Chinese jades suggest that there is no basis in fact for such proposals.